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Cheryl DiCara, of Brunswick, on her retirement from the Department of Health and Human Services after 29 years of service. During her career at the department, Ms. DiCara provided direction and leadership for state initiatives concerning the prevention of injury and suicide. She helped to establish Maine as a national leader in the effort to prevent youth suicide and has been fundamental in uniting public and private entities to assist in this important work. We send our appreciation to Ms. DiCara for her dedicated service and commitment to and compassion for the people of Maine, and we extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on her retirement; (SLS 1)

Wild Oats Bakery and Cafe, of Brunswick, on its being named the 2012 Retailer of the Year by the Maine Merchants Association. This award is given to a business that has continued growth in employees or sales, a commitment of company resources to community projects and the creation of a positive work environment for all employees. Founded in 1991 by David and Becky Shepherd, Wild Oats Bakery and Cafe has been serving the Brunswick area for over 20 years. We congratulate Wild Oats Bakery and Cafe on its receiving this well-deserved honor; (SLS 2)

The members of the undefeated Valley Mustangs, of Madawaska, who won the 2012 Greater New England Youth Football League Championship: Gab St. Germain, Sam Thomas, Nicholas Daigle, Jordan Hodgkin, Michael Gagnon, Johnny Labbe, Sylvain Garvie, Justin Hodgkin, Tony Lajoie, Paige Morneault, Cody Dubois, Darren Devost, Richard Cyr, Josh Epstein, Alex Belanger, Jean-Michael Levesque, Jean-Francois Landry, Sebastien Daigle and Bruce Doucet and coaches Mark Daigle, Ron Dalgo, Dennis Gendreau, Bob St. Germain and Matt Russell. The Valley Mustangs have been playing 8-man football since 2003 and this year they moved into the 11-man football division. This was the first year for the Valley Mustangs under the Greater New England Youth Football League. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the team on their achievement; (SLS 3)

Matthew Rioux, 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 extend our congratulations to him on this achievement; (SLS 4)

The citizens of Sanford who on November 6, 2012 voted to approve a new charter, which will replace the town meeting form of government with a city council and mayor and make Sanford Maine's newest city. Sanford will become the first town in America to become a city in the 21st century. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the new City of Sanford; (SLS 5)

Deanna Rochefort, 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 send our congratulations to Deanna on this accomplishment; (SLS 6)

Mike Seitzinger, of Augusta, who is the recipient of the 2012 Kennebec Valley Chamber of Commerce Community Service Award. Mr. Seitzinger is an attorney in Augusta. He helped to build the new Kennebec Valley YMCA in 2006. He founded Augusta Trails to support sport and recreation trails and facilities in Augusta's Bond Brook Recreation Area. Mr. Seitzinger also serves on the boards of the Kennebec River Rail Trail, Riverfront Improvement, Lithgow Library and Kennebec Land Grant. We

extend our appreciation to Mr. Seitzinger for his commitment to the citizens of Augusta and congratulate him on his receiving this award; (SLS 7)

The Family Violence Project, of Augusta, which is the recipient of the 2012 Kennebec Valley Chamber of Commerce Community Service Award. The Family Violence Project provides support and services for survivors of domestic violence in Kennebec County and Somerset County. Under the leadership of Deborah Shephard, the Family Violence Project each year handles 4,000 calls and nearly 3,000 face to face visits with victims at its 3 outreach offices and provides 5,000 nights of safety for victims at its shelters. The Family Violence Project also works with businesses to help develop domestic violence workplace policies. We extend our appreciation to the Family Violence Project for its commitment to the citizens of the City of Augusta and congratulate it on its receiving this award; (SLS 8)

Lakeside Motel and Cabins, of Winthrop, which is the recipient of the 2012 Kennebec Valley Chamber of Commerce President's Award. Under the ownership of Andy and Sheree Wess, Lakeside Motel and Cabins has been a successful "home away from home" for fishermen, families, boaters, Legislators and many others. Supporters of the Special Olympics, Mr. and Mrs. Wess held their 23rd annual bass tournament last year and raised over \$16,000 for Special Olympics Maine. We extend our appreciation to Mr. and Mrs. Wess for their commitment to the citizens of the State and congratulate Lakeside Motel and Cabins on its receiving this award; (SLS 9)

The Red Barn, of Augusta, which is the recipient of the 2012 Kennebec Valley Chamber of Commerce President's Award. In late 2010, Laura Benedict, the owner of The Red Barn, decided to show her appreciation to the community for its support by increasing her charitable giving efforts. Since then, The Red Barn has raised over \$400,000 for local community members and charity causes. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Benedict and The Red Barn for its commitment to the citizens of the City of Augusta and congratulate it on its receiving this award; (SLS 10)

Scott Bolduc, of Augusta, who has been named the 2012 Kennebec Valley Chamber of Commerce Business Person of the Year. Mr. Bolduc is the CEO of Bolduc Technology Group, LLC, which is headquartered in Augusta. Bolduc Technology Group, LLC is the worldwide leader in the design, development and manufacture of highly sophisticated drive-by-wire vehicle controls, serving the needs of drivers with disabilities. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Bolduc for his commitment to the citizens of the State and congratulate him on his receiving this recognition; (SLS 11)

J.S. McCarthy Printers, of Augusta, which has been named the 2012 Kennebec Valley Chamber of Commerce Business of the Year. J.S. McCarthy Printers is one of New England's largest sheet-fed printing operations and is a family-owned business that is on the cutting edge of technology. In 2011, J.S. McCarthy Printers installed the first printing machine in the world that can print 8 colors simultaneously on both sides of a 28" by 40" sheet in one quarter of a second. J.S. McCarthy Printers employs 175 workers, uses wind-powered electricity and recycles 140 tons of waste paper in a month. We congratulate J.S. McCarthy Printers on its receiving this award and wish it continued success; (SLS 12)

O'Connor Auto Group, of Augusta, which is the recipient of the 2012 Kennebec Valley Chamber of Commerce President's Award. Under the ownership of Randy and Teresa Hutchins, O'Connor Auto Group sells and services many franchises of

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vehicles of all kinds, and employs 250 people. We extend our congratulations to O'Connor Auto Group on its receiving this award; (SLS 13)

Peter E. Prescott, of Litchfield, who is the recipient of the 2012 Kennebec Valley Chamber of Commerce Lifetime Achievement Award. Mr. Prescott owns Everett J. Prescott, Inc., a multi-state, multi-company pipeline organization with 300 employees. Mr. Prescott has long been one of the Kennebec Valley's devoted civic leaders and benefactors. Until its collapse in 2011, Mr. Prescott's ice arena provided numerous recreation opportunities for area youth. In 2012, a new comprehensive ice arena was built due to Mr. Prescott's generosity and hard work. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Prescott for his commitment to the youth of the State and congratulate him on his receiving this award; (SLS 14)

Maggie Shannon, of Belgrade, who was named a 2012 Purpose Prize Fellow for her work protecting the outstanding quality and value of Maine's nearly 6,000 lakes and ponds. The Purpose Prize, funded by the John Templeton Foundation and The Atlantic Philanthropies, is awarded by Encore.org, a nonprofit organization. Nominees for the Purpose Prize are people over 60 who combine their passion and experience for social good. Prize sponsors aim to disprove notions that innovation is the sole province of the young. Ms. Shannon is Executive Director of the Maine Congress of Lake Associations, which is dedicated to lake stewardship, education and advocacy. We extend our congratulations to her on her receiving this well-deserved honor; (SLS 15)

Helen Chase Vose, of Machias, a longtime local volunteer to the community. Mrs. Vose was born in York in 1929 and was a graduate of Plymouth Business School. She was married to Gerald Vose and they had 2 children. She worked at Boston Children's Hospital for 13 years and, in 1977, she relocated to Machias. For more than 35 years, Mrs. Vose volunteered for numerous area organizations, including the Machias Wild Blueberry Festival, Woman's Guild of Centre Street Congregational Church, the Christmas Giving Tree Program, the Salvation Army and Alliance for the Mentally Ill. She was the director of the Machias Food Pantry for 30 years. Mrs. Vose was honored with many community service awards over the years. She will be greatly missed and long remembered by her extended family and friends; (SLS 16) (memoriam)

The Honorable Carlton Day "Bud" Reed, of Woolwich, who served in the House of Representatives and the Senate. Mr. Reed was born in Bath and was a graduate of Morse High School, where he was an outstanding athlete, and Colby College, where he was captain of the football and hockey teams. Mr. Reed married his high school sweetheart, Helen Elizabeth Cummings, and they enjoyed more than 60 years of marriage. After college, he joined his family's construction business, Reed and Reed, as a partner and was a driving force for the company as it continued to prosper, building bridges throughout the State. He served as president of the company until 1986, as chairman of the board through 2010 and then as chairman emeritus. Mr. Reed began his legislative career in the House of Representatives in 1958 and was elected to the Senate in 1962, serving a total of 4 terms. In 1965, he was elected to serve as Senate President, the first Democrat to hold that position in 54 years. Mr. Reed was proud of his leadership in passing legislation to clean up Maine's polluted rivers. After his legislative career, Mr. Reed was a trustee of the University of Maine System and a member of the Maine State Board of Education. He was

on the boards of Canal National Bank, Key Corporation and Central Maine Power Company, where he served as chairman of the board from 1991 to 1995. Mr. Reed lived all his life in Days Ferry and was active in his church and in the Woolwich Historical Society. He will be remembered as a man who devoted his life to his family, to his business and to public service. He will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving family, his many friends and those whose lives he touched; (SLS 17) (memoriam)

Joan Emerson, of Bridgton, on the celebration of her 90th birthday. Mrs. Emerson was born on November 14, 1922 in Falmouth, Cornwall, England. She was married to her husband James for more than 32 years and had a career as a cosmetologist for more than 50 years. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mrs. Emerson on this very special occasion; (SLS 18)

Judith Gerrish, of Bowerbank, on the occasion of her retirement from Mayo Regional Hospital after 34 years of service. Ms. Gerrish served as a nursing administrator, Director of Heartwise and emergency medical services ambulance leader. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Gerrish for her commitment to the Dover-Foxcroft community and wish her well in her future endeavors; (SLS 19)

Justin Tracy, of New Vineyard, who has been named the [i]Morning Sentinel[/i] Boys Cross-Country Runner of the Year. We extend our congratulations to Justin on his receiving this recognition; (SLS 20)

Mackenzie Conlogue, of Farmington, who has been named the [i]Morning Sentinel[/i] Girls Soccer Player of the Year. Mackenzie scored 13 goals and had 11 assists this season. We extend our congratulations to Mackenzie on her receiving this recognition; (SLS 21)

Gary Parlin, of Farmington, who has been named the [i]Morning Sentinel[/i] Football Coach of the Year. Under Mr. Parlin's leadership, the Mt. Blue Cougars won the Class B State Title and ended the season as the only undefeated team in the State with a record of 12-0. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Parlin on his receiving this recognition; (SLS 22)

Jordan Whitney, of Industry, who has been named the [i]Morning Sentinel[/i] Football Player of the Year. We extend our congratulations to Jordan on his receiving this recognition; (SLS 23)

Kathy Welch, of York, who has been named the 2012 School Counselor of the Year by the Maine School Counselor Association. Ms. Welch is a counselor at Coastal Ridge Elementary School in York. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Welch on her receiving this recognition; (SLS 24)

Peter C. MacVane, of Portland, a 34-year veteran of the South Portland Police Department. Mr. MacVane graduated from Deering High School and the University of Southern Maine. Mr. MacVane was a court officer and a member of the motorcycle unit for the police department. For many years, he was known as Officer Friendly to schoolchildren, teaching them about safety. He was an active volunteer for many charitable organizations, including the Maine Special Olympics, "Cop on Top" at Harley Davidson and "Tip a Cop" at local restaurants. He was one of the founders of the annual Lobster Dip in 1988. Mr. MacVane was awarded the American Lung Association's Dana Dutton Volunteer Excellence Award for participating in the Trek Across Maine for 14 years. He enjoyed kayaking, hiking, cross-country skiing, camping and riding his motorcycle. Mr. MacVane will be sadly

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missed by his loving family, his friends and the people whose lives he touched; (SLS 25) (memoriam)

Russell W. Libby, of Mt. Vernon, former longtime Executive Director of the Maine Organic Farmers and Gardeners Association, who was dedicated to his profession, his community and to the State. Born in Lincoln, Mr. Libby spent most of his childhood in Sorrento, where his lifelong love of the wildlife and woodlands of Maine began. He was a 1974 graduate of Sumner High School and the president of his class. Mr. Libby graduated from Bowdoin College in 1978 with a degree in economics, and he later earned his master's degree in resource economics from the University of Maine. He worked throughout his adult life to strengthen Maine's economy through the growth of local, organic food sources. Mr. Libby was a researcher for the National Center for Economic Alternatives in Augusta, and he worked for 10 years at the Maine Department of Agriculture. He served on the board of the Maine Organic Farmers and Gardeners Association from 1983 to 1995 and as its executive director from 1995 until his retirement in 2012. During his leadership, Mr. Libby oversaw the association's move to the Common Ground Education Center in Unity and the growth of its programming and of organic farming in general throughout the State. Mr. Libby will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving family, his many friends and the many farmers, gardeners and Mainers whose lives he touched; (SLS 26) (memoriam)

Michael Vittum III, of Ellsworth, 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. For his Eagle Scout service project, Michael helped build a 550-foot chain link fence around a duck pond in Birdsacre, the Stanwood Wildlife Sanctuary. We extend our congratulations to him on this achievement; (SLS 27)

Michael Nadeau, of Windham, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 800, 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. Michael received the Den Chief Service Award for his leadership in assisting and teaching younger scouts in Cub Scout Pack No. 805. He also received the Vigil Honor, the highest honor given to members of the Order of the Arrow, Boy Scouting's national honor society. We extend our congratulations to Michael on this achievement; (SLS 28)

Police Chief Doug Conroy, of Washburn, who is retiring after 12 years as Chief of the Washburn Police Department. Chief Conroy, who has served more than 25 years in law enforcement, began his career in 1987 as an officer with the Caribou Police Department. We send him our appreciation for his commitment to law enforcement and to the State, and we send him our congratulations and best wishes on his retirement; (SLS 29)

Henry W. "Hank" Hamblen, Jr., a lifelong resident of Gorham and a dedicated firefighter and paramedic. Mr. Hamblen attended local schools and graduated from the University of Southern Maine with a degree in history and English. He later attended firefighting school in Presque Isle and found his true calling. For several years after college, he was a dispatcher for the Town of Gorham. Mr. Hamblen was a volunteer firefighter of the Gorham Fire Department for the past 39 years and volunteered as a paramedic for the Gorham Rescue Division. In 1987, he went to work for the City of Westbrook Fire Department and spent the last 25 years as a firefighter and paramedic based at the Prides Corner station. Mr. Hamblen will be greatly missed

and long remembered by his loving family, his many friends and colleagues and the citizens of the towns he served; (SLS 30) (memoriam)

Ted Heroux, of Belfast, who is retiring after 45 years as the coach of the Belfast Area High School's wrestling team. Since 1967, Mr. Heroux has guided the wrestling program to a 602-168-3 record, 8 Class B State Championships, 6 runner-up finishes, 11 Eastern Maine Class B titles and 13 Kennebec Valley Athletic Conference Championships. Mr. Heroux is a 1961 graduate of Belfast High School and was a 5-time KVAC Coach of the Year and a 3-time Maine Coach of the Year honoree. He coached 3 New England champions and 71 individual state champions from Belfast. His teams won the Class A State Championships in 1969 and 1970 and Class B Titles in 1986, 1987, 1994, 1995, 2008 and 2009. In 1999, Mr. Heroux was inducted into the Maine Amateur Wrestling Alliance Hall of Fame and in 2012, he was inducted into the New England High School Wrestling Hall of Fame. We send Mr. Heroux our appreciation for his commitment to coaching and to the youth of Maine, and we extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on his retirement; (SLS 31)

Allen Holmes, of Belfast, who is retiring after 40 years of serving as the Belfast Area High School field hockey coach. Mr. Holmes is credited with beginning the program at Belfast in 1972 and he leaves the program with 433 wins, seven State titles and 13 regional titles. We send him our appreciation for his many years of commitment to the sport and to the youth of Maine, and we congratulate him on his retirement; (SLS 32)

Police Chief Bruce Asselin, of Houlton, who is the recipient of the 2012 Patricia A. Bailey Public Safety Award for his outstanding service and unselfish dedication to law enforcement and the people of Maine. Chief Asselin has served as chief of the Houlton Police Department since 2007 and for 30 years in law enforcement. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Chief Asselin on his receiving this well-deserved honor; (SLS 33)

First Baptist Church of Houlton, on the celebration of its 150th Anniversary of serving the community. The church was first established when the Reverend Henry Kendall visited the Houlton area in 1842 and recommended the appointment of Reverend Roy Crafts Spaulding, who preached in homes and schoolhouses in Houlton for the next 24 years. In 1863, First Baptist Church was formed under the laws of the State of Maine. The present church building was begun in 1894. We extend our congratulations to the congregation of First Baptist Church on this anniversary and we send our best wishes for future success; (SLS 34)

Master Sergeant Darrell A. Hanning, of Houlton, who was honored with the United States Army Legion of Merit award. This award is given for exceptional meritorious conduct, service and achievement. We extend our congratulations to Master Sergeant Hanning on his receiving this award and send him our appreciation for his service; (SLS 35)

Joseph David Couture, of Sidney, 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 service project, Joseph organized a food drive for the food pantry in Sidney. We extend our congratulations to him on this achievement; (SLS 36)

Charles H. Horton IV, of Saco, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 310, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. This is the highest award in Boy Scouting and is given for

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excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. We extend our congratulations to Charles on this achievement; (SLS 37)

Dr. William Thomas Yates, of Wilton, a longtime physician in the area, who delivered over 2,500 babies during his 30-year career in his obstetrics and gynecology practice. Dr. Yates was born in Elyria, Ohio and received his undergraduate degree at Oberlin College in 1963 and his MD degree from the University of Cincinnati, College of Medicine in 1967. He did his internship in Minneapolis and served in the United States Navy Reserve as a lieutenant in the Medical Corps. Dr. Yates married Margaret Bandlow, a nurse in the United States Navy at Virginia Beach, Virginia in 1969. He completed his residency at Akron General Medical Center in 1975, and he and his wife moved to Wilton, where he opened Franklin County's first obstetrics and gynecology practice. He was a dedicated hiker, cyclist and competitive runner and was known to be a creative and adventurous man who embraced his roles as husband, father and friend with love and generosity. He will be greatly missed by his wife, Margaret, his loving family and those whose lives he touched; (SLS 38) (memoriam)

Lloyd Smith, of Farmington, who was named Supervisor Logger of the Year by the Certified Logging Professional program. Certified Logging Professional is a program designed to provide training and education to people involved in the Maine logging industry. There are over 1,500 Certified Logging Professional members in Maine. We congratulate Mr. Smith on his receiving this honor; (SLS 39)

Larry Davis, of Cambridge, on his retirement after 37 years as a rural carrier for the United States Postal Service. Mr. Davis spent most of his career working out of the Cambridge post office and he also spent some time delivering out of the Guilford post office. During his career, he logged nearly 900,000 miles and delivered more than 50 million letters. We send our appreciation to Mr. Davis for his many years of dedicated commitment to the community and to the United States Postal Service, and we send him our congratulations and best wishes on his retirement; (SLS 40)

The Rotary Club of Sanford-Springvale, on its 90th Anniversary. Since being granted a charter on January 19, 1923, the Sanford-Springvale Rotary Club has been part of one of the largest service organizations in the world, which contributes to hundreds of projects and works to promote peace and understanding across the globe. Among some of the many accomplishments of this Rotary Club, through financial donations and countless volunteer hours, the members have provided nearly \$250,000 in scholarships to high school students, supported literacy by providing dictionaries to local school students, funded the construction of the Healing Garden at the York County Cancer Care Center, in India sponsored the construction of 3 catchment dams for nearly 15,000 villagers and provided polio vaccine to children, and initiated a local Christmas Angel program. We extend our congratulations to the good members of the Sanford-Springvale Rotary Club on this occasion and send our appreciation to its dedicated members for their extraordinary efforts to better local and international communities; (SLS 41)

Cyndi Pratt, of Farmington, upon reaching her 100th University of Maine at Farmington field hockey coaching victory. Ms. Pratt, a native of Farmington and graduate of Mt. Blue High School, began coaching for the University of Maine at Farmington in 2004 after 7 years as the assistant coach. Now in her 9th

season as the head field hockey coach, Ms. Pratt achieved her 100th coaching win at the North Atlantic Field Hockey Tournament quarterfinal match in October 2012. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this achievement; (SLS 42)

Pearl Levine, of Portland, on the occasion of her 100th Birthday, February 11, 2013. Mrs. Levine was born in Clinton, Massachusetts and moved to Portland, Maine after she married her husband over 70 years ago. Her husband owned Freeport Shoe Company. They had 2 sons, 3 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren. Mrs. Levine is very active in the Jewish community, serving as the most recent past-president of the local chapter of Hadassah. She has been a lifelong reader, loves to swim and does water aerobics 3 times a week. We send her our congratulations and best wishes on the centennial celebration of her life; (SLS 43)

Tom Hinds, of Augusta, who was named the 2012 Secondary Physical Education Teacher of the Year by the Maine Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance. Mr. Hinds, the head of the physical education department at Cony High School, has been teaching physical education there since 1998. We send him our congratulations and best wishes on his receiving this distinguished honor; (SLS 44)

Mike McGee, of Fairfield, longtime championship coach of the Lawrence High School boys basketball team, on the occasion of his retirement after 31 years as a coach, the last 28 years as head coach of his alma mater. Mr. McGee has guided the team to 5 Eastern Maine Class A titles, 2 Class A State Championships and 3 Kennebec Valley Athletic Conference Class A Championships. In addition, Mr. McGee was a notable basketball player himself at Lawrence High School, helping to lead the school's team to its first 2 Eastern Class A boys basketball championships. As a senior, he was named to the [I]Bangor Daily News[/I] All-Maine first team. Mr. McGee went on to excel in college basketball, scoring 1,000 points at 2 different colleges. He returned to his hometown to teach at the middle-school level and coach, serving as assistant coach for Lawrence High School. Mr. McGee became head coach in the 1985-1986 season and went on to a highly successful coaching career. He has been named Coach of the Year 16 times by various organizations. In 2008, he was featured by [I]USA Weekend[/I] as a winner of the Most Caring Coach in the Country award and he was inducted into the World Sport Humanitarian Hall of Fame. We send Mr. McGee our appreciation for his many years of excellence in basketball and coaching and for his commitment to the youth of Maine. We send him our best wishes on his retirement; (SLS 45)

Maxine A. Scott, of Wilton, a very active member of her community. Mrs. Scott grew up in Wilton and was a 1937 graduate of Wilton Academy. She also attended the Auburn Maine School of Commerce and completed courses at the University of Maine at Farmington. She served in the United States Navy from 1942 to 1945, serving as a WAVE Yeoman First Class. During that time, she met and married Carlton F. Scott, who was then serving in the United States Army. Mrs. Scott was active in many organizations and served on many boards, including her involvement with the Wilton Historical Society, WAVES National, the Maine State Archives Advisory Board and the Franklin Memorial Hospital Board. She was employed at Fred W. Hassen and Son, Kyes Insurance, the Military Defense Commission and the Maine State Legislature. Mrs. Scott was a member of the First Congregational Church of Wilton and served as President of the Maine Conference of UCC

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Churches. Mr. and Mrs. Scott were awarded the David L. Hodgkins Citizen Award by the Western Maine Chamber of Commerce and she was awarded numerous community service and citizenship awards for her many contributions to the area. Mrs. Scott will be greatly missed and long remembered by her family and friends and the people of Wilton; (SLS 46) (memoriam)

Sheriff Dennis C. Pike, of Farmington, on his retirement from the Franklin County Sheriff's Department after 46 years of service in law enforcement, 12 of which he served as Sheriff. Sheriff Pike also served as a Farmington Police Officer until 1991, has been a town selectman and was the area's National Weather Service cooperative observer. We send Sheriff Pike our appreciation for his many years of commitment to the people of Franklin County and to the State. We congratulate him on his retirement and send him our best wishes; (SLS 47)

Chief Deputy Raymond Meldrum, of Kingfield, for his dedicated service to the people of Franklin County after 35 years with the Franklin County Sheriff's Department. Chief Deputy Meldrum has served as chief deputy for 12 years. We send him our appreciation for his commitment to the people of Franklin County and to the State. We congratulate him on his retirement and send him our best wishes; (SLS 48)

The members of the Cape Elizabeth High School mock trial team, who are the 2012 Maine State High School Mock Trial Champions. This is the 3rd year in a row that Cape Elizabeth High School has won the championship. The team, which is coached by Cape Elizabeth High School social studies teacher Mary Page, will represent Maine at the National High School Mock Trial Tournament in Indianapolis, Indiana. We congratulate the members of the team on their winning the state title and we send them our best wishes on their future endeavors; (SLS 49)

Kenneth Cormier, of Saco, a veteran of the United States Army, who served in the Korean War, and the founder of Funtown/Splashtown USA, the largest water and amusement park in northern New England. Mr. Cormier opened Funtown in 1967 and through the decades expanded it with new rides and a water park, and now the park is one of the city's largest seasonal employers and one of its most significant taxpayers, as well as pleasing nearly half a million visitors every summer. He was very active in the amusement and attractions industry, serving a 3-year term, from 2008 to 2011, on the Board of Directors and Audit Committee for the International Association of Amusement Parks and Attractions. Mr. Cormier was inducted into the New England Association of Amusement Parks and Attractions Hall of Fame in 2005 and was named Maine's Small Business Person of the Year in 2001. Mr. Cormier will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving family and friends; (SLS 50) (memoriam)

Maynard and Joyce Ingraham, of Rockport, who celebrated their 65th Wedding Anniversary on November 18, 2012 at a special dinner in their honor. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Ingraham on this special occasion; (SLS 51)

Ralph and Marjorie Hill, of Rockport, who celebrated their 65th Wedding Anniversary on November 18, 2012 at a special dinner in their honor. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Hill on this special occasion; (SLS 52)

Richard and Rose Lee Carlisle, of Ellsworth, on the celebration of their 60th Wedding Anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Carlisle were married December 20, 1952 at the Arlington United Methodist Church in Arlington, Virginia and have lived in Ellsworth most of their married years. They have 3 children, 4

grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this special anniversary; (SLS 53)

Raynald and May Dionne Beaucage, of Lewiston, on the special occasion of their 70th Wedding Anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Beaucage were married on January 24, 1942 at Ste. Croix Church in Lewiston. They are the parents of 3 children, and have 8 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Beaucage on this anniversary; (SLS 54)

Malcolm Fearon, of Eustis, upon his retiring as Fire Chief after 20 years of service with the Eustis Fire Department. Under Chief Fearon's leadership, the department received new trucks, a snowmobile and a side-by-side, which will make all-terrain vehicle rescue during backwoods incidents and forest fires easier. Although he is retiring as chief, he will remain with the department as a firefighter. We send our appreciation to Chief Fearon for his many years of service to the community and extend our best wishes to him; (SLS 55)

Sam Grindle, of Deer Isle, a senior at Deer Isle-Stonington High School, upon his outstanding athletic achievements. Sam won the 2012 Class C State individual golf championship. He also scored his 1,000th point in basketball in December of 2012. We extend our congratulations to Sam on these achievements; (SLS 56)

Ronald Green, Sr., of Plymouth, on the occasion of his retirement from the Penobscot County District Attorney's Office after 41 years of service to the people of Maine. Mr. Green, born in Atkinson, served in the United States Army. He began work with the Newport Police Department in 1967 and in 1971 he joined the Penobscot County Sheriff's Office where he served through 1975 and again from 1988 to 1997. Mr. Green served with the District Attorney's Office from 1975 to 1988 and from 1999 to 2013. We send him our appreciation for his many years of commitment to his community and to the State and we send him our best wishes on his retirement; (SLS 57)

Frederick Jaissle, of York, on the celebration of his 100th birthday. Mr. Jaissle was born on November 22, 1912, and we extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this special occasion; (SLS 58)

Malcolm and Mary Lyons, of Windham, on the celebration of their 75th Wedding Anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Lyons were married on February 5, 1938 at the Windham Hill Church parsonage. For more than 30 years, Mr. Lyons worked as an electrician with Central Maine Power Company. After raising their children, Mrs. Lyons sold real estate. They have lived in the same home in Windham for 70 years. They have 5 children, 2 foster children, 13 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this special anniversary; (SLS 59)

Robert Benjamin Adams, Sr., of Boothbay Harbor. Mr. Adams was born in Bath, grew up in Wiscasset and was a 1946 graduate of Wiscasset Academy. While in high school and during World War II, Mr. Adams was a member of the Maine State Guard. He served in the United States Air Force for 4 years during the Korean War. Mr. Adams was a 50-year member of the Masonic Blue Lodge, a past High Priest of Royal Arch Chapter and a member of the Rotary Club, Eastern Star, the Wiscasset Fire Department and American Legion Post 54 of Wiscasset. Mr. Adams served as a page in the 93rd Maine State Legislature. He will be greatly missed and long remembered by his family and friends; (SLS 60) (memoriam)

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John Longworth Peabody Swift, of Georgetown, a longtime member of the community. Mr. Swift was born in 1922 in London, England and he came to the United States at the age of 9 months. After graduating from Trinity College in Hartford, Connecticut in 1942, he served in the United States Army Air Force in the Pacific Theater during World War II, rising to the rank of captain. Mr. Swift married Frances Ellen Norton in 1946. They had 3 children, and raised the family predominantly in Connecticut and Khuzestan, Iran. He graduated from Yale University in 1948 as a civil engineer and worked on civil engineering, environmental research and energy development projects in the United States and abroad from 1948 to 1998, living in the United States, Iran, Ireland, Saudi Arabia and Pakistan, and traveling to dozens of other countries. Mr. Swift summered in Georgetown at his grandparents' cottage at Bay Point in his youth, and he and Mrs. Swift continued to vacation there with their children. In 1980, they built a house at Bay Point, becoming full-time residents of Georgetown in 1982. He served for many years on the Georgetown Financial Advisory Committee and on the Georgetown Board of Appeals, and represented Georgetown on the Sagadahoc County Budget Advisory Committee. Mr. Swift was the president of the Georgetown Historical Society in the late 1990s and a researcher and writer of Georgetown history. In 2007 he was named Georgetown's Citizen of the Year. Mr. Swift will be greatly missed and long remembered; (SLS 61) (memoriam)

Scott Graffam, of Norway, basketball coach of the Oxford Hills Comprehensive High School Vikings, on his reaching the 300th win of his coaching career on December 21, 2012. We congratulate Coach Graffam on his remarkable achievement and send him our best wishes; (SLS 62)

Jennifer Rowland, of Wyman Township, who is a recipient of the Daughters of the American Revolution Good Citizen Award for her dependability, leadership, service and patriotism. This award was given by the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution's local chapter, the Colonial Daughters Chapter of Farmington. We extend our congratulations to Jennifer on her receiving this award; (SLS 63)

Norman Fournier, of Wallagrass, who is the Greater Fort Kent Area Chamber of Commerce Citizen of the Year. Mr. Fournier is known as a quiet humanitarian and multicomunity leader whose work behind the scenes has had a profound effect in the communities served by the Greater Fort Kent Area Chamber of Commerce. He is presently a trustee for the University of Maine System and is a recipient of an Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters Award from the University of Maine at Fort Kent. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Fournier on his receiving this Citizen of the Year award; (SLS 64)

Brian T. Danforth, of Oakland. Mr. Danforth, born in Waterville, attended Oakland schools and All United Professional Security Academy in Holly Hill, Florida. He was employed as a security officer at Thomas College and Colby College in Waterville and by Toby Nason Detective and Security for over 10 years, both as an officer and a private investigator. Mr. Danforth was a call firefighter with the Waterville Fire Department. In the early 1990s, he was co-owner of Strictly Pets and Strictly Birds, and he also was owner and operator of Brothers Cab. Mr. Danforth was a past vice president of the Kennebec Valley Jaycees. He was also a past president of Mid Maine REACT, a team monitoring emergency frequency 9 for local police and fire distress calls. Mr. Danforth also volunteered with the local Cub Scouts, serving as den leader and assistant pack master of Pack

434. He was a member of the Holly Hill Florida American Legion and of the Decker-Simmons Post 51 American Legion in Oakland, where he served as vice commander and as commander. Mr. Danforth also served in many leadership capacities in the Sons of the American Legion Detachment of Maine and had recently joined the Fairfield American Legion. He will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving family and many friends; (SLS 65) (memoriam)

Bob and Barbara Moore, of Dover-Foxcroft, who have received the 2012 Warren "Pete" Myrick Community Service Award from the Piscataquis County Economic Development Council. This award is given to recognize Piscataquis County citizens, businesses and organizations that exemplify concern for and commitment to education, economic development and civic leadership in the region. Barbara, who served as town clerk for 29 years, and Bob, owner of Bob's Sugarhouse, have been very active in community clubs, programs and projects. We congratulate Bob and Barbara Moore on their receiving this honor; (SLS 66)

The Maine Society, Children of the American Revolution on its 75th anniversary. The Maine Society, Children of the American Revolution formally began in October 1938 with the organization of the William Fairfield Society in Portland. There are now 7 local societies throughout the State. Maine was the 33rd state society within the National Society of the Children of the American Revolution, which is the oldest patriotic organization for youths in the country and now boasts over 10,000 members. The society is dedicated to training good citizens, developing leaders and promoting love of the United States of America and its heritage among young people. Maine members have been meeting and living these goals for 75 years, from volunteering with the American Red Cross and helping with the war effort during World War II to the current fundraising effort to help with the restoration of the historic Burnham Tavern in Machias and sending cards to American soldiers. We congratulate the members of the Maine Society, Children of the American Revolution on its 75th anniversary and send them our best wishes; (SLS 67)

Roderick "Rick" Cushing, of Wilton, a 40-year active member of the Maine Harness Horsemen's Association. Mr. Cushing operated a small but successful stable with his brother at the fairgrounds in Farmington, the town in which he taught school for 38 years. He recorded over 400 driving wins and over 600 training wins and was highly respected in the harness racing industry. He served on the Maine Harness Horsemen's Association Board and the Maine Harness Racing Promotion Board. He will be greatly missed and long remembered by his family and many friends; (SLS 68) (memoriam)

Carl Mills, of Brownfield, on the celebration of his 90th birthday, February 18, 2013. Born in Lovell, Mr. Mills was married to his wife, Norma, for 49 years. He is the father of 4 children, has 5 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren. Mr. Mills served in the United States Army during World War II as a truckdriver. He worked in the woods most of his life and volunteered as a firefighter and church sexton. He now runs a garbage route and visits with the elderly. We send him our congratulations and best wishes on his 90th birthday; (SLS 69)

Maxwell W. Negley, of Bowdoin, 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 service project, Maxwell replaced the "Welcome To



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Bowdoin" sign on the town line between the towns of Topsham and Bowdoin with an exact replica of the original sign and added a rock garden to the base of the sign. He also organized several bottle drives to fund this project. We extend our congratulations to Maxwell on this achievement; (SLS 70)

Jim Rogers, of Wells, longtime owner of Kennebunk Barber Shop and prominent member of the community. Mr. Rogers grew up in Eliot and left high school to join the United States Navy and served 4 years. He opened his barber shop on Main Street in Kennebunk 40 years ago, in 1973, and served generations of Kennebunk residents. Mr. Rogers will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving family and his many friends; (SLS 71) (memoriam)

Alvin and Helen Hersey, of Kennebunk, on the celebration of their 75th Wedding Anniversary, January 8, 2013. Mr. and Mrs. Hersey, ages 96 and 94, met on a blind date. They have 4 children, 13 grandchildren, 16 great-grandchildren and 3 great-great-grandchildren. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Hersey on this special anniversary; (SLS 72)

Gerald C. Crommett, of Passadumkeag, a well-known and beloved member of his community. Mr. Crommett was born in Enfield and came from simple beginnings, but worked very hard throughout his life and set a great example for his family and all who knew him. For many years he ran a significant international business as a broker of live fish, especially eels. He always liked to say he was dedicated to doing the best he could with what he had. Mr. Crommett worked tirelessly and was successful selling to markets in Western Europe, becoming one of the largest distributors in the Northeast. He was respected as a responsible and generous man who over the years employed many young people from the area. Mr. Crommett will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving wife, Dail, his family and his many friends; (SLS 73) (memoriam)

Gail Robishaw, of Rockland, on the occasion of her retirement after 28 years of service with the United States Postal Service. Ms. Robishaw is a second-generation Rockland postal worker. We extend our appreciation to her for her commitment to the community and send her our best wishes on her retirement; (SLS 74)

George W. Warren, of Dover-Foxcroft, on the special occasion of his 100th birthday, January 18, 2013. Mr. Warren is a lifelong Dover-Foxcroft resident who attended Foxcroft Academy and the University of Maine at Orono. George has been married to his wife, Melba Warren, for 77 years. He has 2 daughters, 4 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren. We congratulate Mr. Warren on the centennial celebration of his life; (SLS 75)

Kim Jeffery, of Greenwich, Connecticut, on the occasion of his retirement as President and Chief Executive Officer of Nestle Waters North America Inc., parent company of the iconic Maine spring water bottling company, Poland Spring. He will be assuming the position of board chair after 20 years in his current position. Mr. Jeffery was part of a small group of entrepreneurs who purchased the Poland Spring Bottled Water Company in 1980 when it had only 30 employees and was having financial difficulties. Under his leadership, Poland Spring has since then invested more than \$500,000,000 in capital in Maine and grown from one bottling plant to 3 bottling plants and now employs approximately 800 employees. It is currently the bestselling spring water company in the United States. Mr. Jeffery has made environmental stewardship a priority for Poland Spring, which

recycles more than 95 percent of its waste stream and is LEED certified at its facilities in Hollis and Kingfield. Mr. Jeffery also has been a passionate supporter of Maine causes and has been personally involved in leading Poland Spring's generous commitment to the community and to the State. In addition, Mr. Jeffery has made sure that Poland Spring responds in times of emergencies with monetary contributions and product donations. We send Mr. Jeffery our appreciation of his illustrious career and his commitment to the community and to the State. We extend our best wishes to him as he pursues new endeavors; (SLS 76)

The Oxford County Agricultural Society, on being presented with the Most Improved Large Fair Award by the Maine Association of Agricultural Fairs. The Oxford Fair is held on the 100-acre Oxford County Agricultural Society fairgrounds in Oxford and over the past few years the site has been improved by the addition of a new entrance, several new barns, new parking areas and lighting, a new museum, a roof for the bleachers, a racetrack, a crow's nest for judges, a grandstand for the entertainment area and comprehensive electrical upgrades. We congratulate the members of the Oxford County Agricultural Society on their receiving this award; (SLS 77)

Hancock County Technical Center, in Ellsworth, and the center's media communications program students for their outstanding contributions in honoring our nation's veterans. Under the direction of Benjamin Speed, 6 students from the program collected video and audio recordings and photographs for Wreaths Across America as they embarked on a one-week trip to Arlington National Cemetery in December 2012 to lay wreaths on headstones. The students joined veterans, Gold Star families, volunteers and organizers in delivering the wreaths, stopping at numerous schools, monuments and veterans facilities along the way. Each day, students posted interviews, stories of the day and helmet-camera video clips online. Once they returned to Maine, the students created a library of media for use by Wreaths Across America, which will help the nonprofit organization to meet its mission of serving veterans and veterans' families. We extend our congratulations and our appreciation to all participants in this venture; (SLS 78)

Malcolm Bedell, of Rockland, who won a pre-Super Bowl cook-off on the NBC Today show for his recipe for spicy chicken wings. Mr. Bedell's Apricot-Shellacked Ghost Chili Chicken Wings were the judges' favorite in the 3-way contest. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on his win; (SLS 79)

George William Baker, of Cape Elizabeth, on his 100th Birthday, December 26, 2012. Mr. Baker enjoyed the centennial celebration of his life at a dinner party with his wife of 68 years, Alberta, and his family and friends. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. Baker on this special occasion; (SLS 80)

Officer John Lizanecz, of York, a member of the York Police Department, who was selected to represent Maine in the International Law Enforcement Torch Run Final Leg for the 2013 Special Olympics World Winter Games. Officer Lizanecz joined 95 law enforcement officers from around the world and a total of 133 runners, on a 9-day trek throughout South Korea to raise awareness for the special athletes and games, ending with the arrival of the Flame of Hope for opening day ceremonies. Officer Lizanecz has been a police officer since 1989 and has been with the York Police Department for 17 years. He has been involved with the Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics since 1989. We extend our appreciation to him for his exemplary

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efforts in promoting Special Olympics and send him our best wishes; (SLS 81)

Richard and Jean Hayes, of Hallowell, on the occasion of their 60th Wedding Anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Hayes were married on October 25, 1952 at the St. Mark's Episcopal Church in Augusta, and they are the parents of 4 children. Mr. Hayes retired from Camp Keyes and the United States Army and Mrs. Hayes is retired from School Administrative District 16. We send them our congratulations and best wishes on their 60th Wedding Anniversary; (SLS 82)

Suzanne Fuller Rich, of Fayette, former librarian, deputy town clerk and selectperson for the Town of Fayette. Ms. Rich was born in Gardiner and graduated from Erskine Academy in 1962. She moved to Fayette in the 1970s after working at the Pentagon for 5 years and became very active in the community. Ms. Rich was Librarian of the Underwood Memorial Library for more than 30 years and volunteered for several more. She was also the Deputy Town Clerk of Fayette for 8 years and a selectperson from 1998 to 2000. She was also election warden for many years, served on the Veterans Monument Committee, as a 4-H Club leader, as a member of the Fayette School and Home Association, as a founding member of the Fayette Historical Society and as a charter member of the Fayette Fire Auxiliary and was involved with the Keep Me Warm Suppers. She will be greatly missed and long remembered by those she served so faithfully; (SLS 83) (memoriam)

The Foxcroft Academy Wrestling Team, of Dover-Foxcroft, on its winning the 2013 Class C State Championship, the third consecutive year the team has won the State Championship level. We congratulate the team and we send the members our best wishes; (SLS 84)

Douglas Lisherness, of Phillips, on the occasion of his retirement after coaching girls basketball for 26 years at Mt. Abram High School. During Mr. Lisherness's leadership, Mt. Abram High School Girls Basketball Team won state championships in 1991 and 2007. We send him our appreciation for his many years of dedication, and send him our best wishes; (SLS 85)

The Piscataquis Community Elementary School and the Piscataquis Community Secondary School, of Guilford, for receiving bronze awards from the United States Department of Agriculture as part of the department's HealthierUS School Challenge. Piscataquis Community Secondary School is the first high school in Maine to receive the HealthierUS School Challenge award. Only 3 percent of schools nationally have achieved a Bronze, Silver or Gold distinction. To participate in the challenge, a school must adopt United States Department of Agriculture standards for the food that is served in the school and agree to provide nutrition education and opportunities for physical activity. We congratulate the Piscataquis Community Elementary School and the Piscataquis Community Secondary School on their achieving this award and wish them continued success with the program; (SLS 86)

Roger and Ludgarde Fortin, of Lewiston, who celebrated their 60th Wedding Anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Fortin were married at Our Lady of the Rosary Church in Sabattus on November 8, 1952. They are the parents of 5 children and are grandparents and great-grandparents. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this special anniversary; (SLS 87)

Ken and Carole Hardy, of Lincolnville, on the occasion of their 60th Wedding Anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Hardy were

married in 1953 in Aguadilla, Puerto Rico, where Mr. Hardy was serving in the United States Air Force. They met when both were attending Camden High School. They are the parents of 4 children and have 6 grandchildren. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Hardy on this special anniversary; (SLS 88)

Zachary Walker-Elders, of Lisbon Falls, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 109, 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 service project, Zachary helped and recruited other area Boy Scouts to design, build and install equipment boxes and closets at several ball fields in town for the Lisbon Junior Athletic League. We extend our congratulations to him on this achievement; (SLS 89)

The Ellsworth High School Cheerleading Squad, the Eagles, who have won the 2013 Class B Eastern Maine Cheering Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the team on this achievement; (SLS 90)

Corey Kruszewski, of Kennebunk, a senior at Kennebunk High School who is a Distinguished Finalist in the 2013 Prudential Spirit of Community Awards 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. Corey helped to raise more than \$15,000 to fund a trip to Guatemala for himself and other members of his school's Interact Club to help create a water filtration project for a Guatemalan village. We congratulate him on his receiving this award and thank him for his commitment to volunteerism; (SLS 91)

Delaney Seavey, of Saco, who was chosen as the 2013 Miss Maine Teen USA during a pageant held at the Samoset Resort in Rockport. Delaney is a senior at Thornton Academy and is active in school clubs and sports. She will represent Maine at the national pageant to be held this summer at the Atlantis Resort in the Bahamas. We congratulate Delaney on her winning this title and send her our best wishes; (SLS 92)

The Thornton Academy Speech Team, of Saco, on its winning 9 awards and taking second place in the Sweepstakes Award, which means Thornton Academy won more awards than most other schools attending the tournament. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the members of the team on this achievement; (SLS 93)

Detective Stephanie F. Beaulieu, of Fort Fairfield, of the Bureau of Motor Vehicles, who was awarded the Life Saving By a Law Enforcement Officer commendation by the Maine Chiefs of Police Association for her actions in aiding a woman in labor with twins in need of assistance in Fort Fairfield. She also received the 2013 Real Hero Award from the American Red Cross Pine Tree Chapter. Hearing the news on her husband's fire department home scanner, and knowing that most of the town's first responders were at a fire scene, Detective Beaulieu immediately responded to the call. Her swift response is credited with saving the lives of the newborn babies. We send her our appreciation for her heroic actions and congratulate her on her receiving these well-deserved law enforcement and Red Cross awards; (SLS 94)

Scott Sawyer, of Greene, Chief Financial Officer of John F. Murphy Homes, Inc., on the occasion of his retirement after 20 years of service. Mr. Sawyer supervised enormous growth of the

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agency after the closure of Pineland Center and kept the agency financially sound through many changes. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on his retirement; (SLS 95)

Doris Weed, a lifelong resident of Lincolnville, on the occasion of her retirement as a public servant after 27 years, serving the Town of Lincolnville in various capacities, most recently as office coordinator since 2001. Ms. Weed's first municipal service was in 1979, when she served a 2-year term on the appeals board. Prior to becoming a municipal employee in 1986 and while she worked for the town, she served on numerous town committees, including the planning board, budget committee, municipal building committee and charter commission. She has worked as deputy town clerk, deputy town treasurer, deputy tax collector and deputy town administrator. Although she is retiring from public service, she will continue to work summers as a sternman on her husband Ken's lobster boat, "Little Rocker." We send Ms. Weed our appreciation for her commitment to her community and to the State and congratulate her on her retirement; (SLS 96)

The following members of the Deer Isle-Stonington High School Cheerleading squad, who won the 2013 Class D State Championship: Tessa Bray, Alicia Allen, Marissa Donovan, Belle Merritt, Kennady Eaton, Amber Jones, Sarah Burgess, Paige Rollins, Sarah Wilson, Sara Eaton, Danielle Powers and Stephanie Siebert. We congratulate the members of the team on their accomplishment; (SLS 97)

Harold O. Bouchard, of Hermon, a prominent businessman in the community, known for his philanthropy and community service. Mr. Bouchard, the 7th of 16 children, grew up on a potato farm. He moved to Bangor in 1958 with a single dump truck and went on to launch a successful heavy hauling business with a fleet of 100 trucks and 175 employees. In 1991, Mr. Bouchard spun off the logging side of his business to form Comstock Woodlands, which was named the Forest Resource Association's Business of the Year for 2012. He was a founding member of the American Loggers Council and the Professional Logging Contractors of Maine, and was involved with numerous industry associations, such as the Maine Forest Products Council, the Forest Resource Association, the Maine Motor Transportation Association, Associated General Contractors of Maine and the Northeast Loggers Association, which in 1991 named him Outstanding Logger of the Year. He was named the Hampden Business Association's 2001 Person of the Year and in 2003 received the Bangor Region Chamber of Commerce's Norbert X. Dowd Award for his contributions to his industry and for his community service. Mr. Bouchard was strongly involved with fund-raising efforts aimed at bringing state-of-the-art cancer treatment to Eastern Maine Medical Center and its Lafayette Family Cancer Center named its infusion room the "Harold O. Bouchard Family Living Room" in his honor. Mr. Bouchard is known as a man who never forgot where he came from and he always helped others along the way. He will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving family, his many friends and those whose lives he touched; (SLS 98) (memoriam)

David B. Robie, of Madrid Township, Director of NorthStar, an emergency medical services group he organized in 2005 from 5 separate bases into one strong organization serving Franklin Memorial Hospital. Mr. Robie, born in Indianapolis, Indiana, was a 1974 graduate of the University of Iowa with a degree in business administration. He had a varied career that included 22 years with The Equitable Companies in New York City. He

became involved in a start-up health maintenance organization in New Jersey, and as vice president of strategic initiatives and later vice president of operations, he was instrumental in growing and expanding that organization. Mr. Robie was the head of Northern Regional Operations for Allied Health Group, a medical claims paying company, and continued working in the medical administrative and financial fields. He and his family moved to Maine in 2003 and he went on to become the director of patient financial services at St. Mary's Regional Medical Center in Lewiston. During the period he organized NorthStar, Mr. Robie earned his emergency medical technician license. He was very involved with the community and dedicated himself to many civic, historical and professional organizations. Mr. Robie will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving family, his many friends and those whose lives he touched; (SLS 99) (memoriam)

Rebecca Connors and her daughter, Brianna Mannisto, of Augusta, whose acts of heroism during an apartment fire saved the lives of 6 people, including a 6-month-old baby. On January 10, 2013, Ms. Connors was picking up her daughter at a school near an apartment building, when Brianna noticed smoke coming from the apartment building. A propane tank in the apartment building exploded, and Brianna ran into the school to make certain schoolchildren who were outside were brought inside and to call 911. Ms. Connors ran into the burning apartment building to alert residents, pounding on doors and shouting. All 6 people who were in the apartment building got out safely. The very serious fire involved more than 60 firefighters from 10 different departments. We send our appreciation to Rebecca Connors and Brianna Mannisto for their selfless acts of heroism and we extend our best wishes to them; (SLS 100)

Ruth S. Ham, of Shapleigh, longtime prominent member of the community. Mrs. Ham and her husband, Warren, were married in 1950 and made their home in Maryland, where they had 5 children. They moved to Maine in 1973 to the Ham Farm in Shapleigh. For more than 40 years, Mrs. Ham was active in town government in a variety of positions. She was a selectman for 33 years and served on the planning board, was chair of several other boards and was a certified state assessor with the Maine Municipal Association. Mrs. Ham also wrote a weekly community news column for the [I]Sanford News[I] for more than 25 years. She will be greatly missed and long remembered by her loving family, friends and neighbors; (SLS 101) (memoriam)

The Town of South Berwick, on being named the best place to raise children in Maine by [I]Bloomberg Businessweek[I]. For this distinction, the magazine considered public school performance, safety, median income, county-level unemployment, housing costs, commute time, poverty, adults' educational attainment, share of households with children and diversity. [I]Bloomberg Businessweek[I] reviewed 3,200 communities with populations between 5,000 and 50,000 to determine the best family-friendly towns in America in which to live. We extend our congratulations to the good citizens of South Berwick on their achieving this high honor; (SLS 102)

The following members of the Hermon High School Cheerleading Team, the Hermon Hawks, who have won the 2013 Class B State Championship: Katie Reynosa, Catherine McElvain, Destinee Knight, Kaitlenn Turner, Alivia Brown, Taylor Smith, Sarah Perley, Tiffany Tanner, Katrina Smith, Olivia Guigey, Danielle Dennison, Erica Turmel, Marissa Cox, Riley Wood, Bailey Dalton, Kayla Ouellette and Alexis Hake; coach Kristie Reed; and assistant coach Christina Paradis. We extend

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our congratulations and best wishes to the members of the team on their achievement; (SLS 103)

Sergeant Tracey Higley, of the Rumford Police Department, who was named the 2013 Officer of the Year by the Maine Association of Police. Sergeant Higley has been with the department since 1994 and is well-known for his efforts with programs such as Special Olympics and Keeping Kids Safe. He received this award for distinguishing himself throughout the year with actions that not only bring credit to law enforcement but actions that promote and enhance the Maine Association of Police. We extend our congratulations to Sergeant Higley on his receiving this well-deserved award; (SLS 104)

Iona Osnoe, of Topsham, a veteran of World War II, who has been a continuous member of the American Legion for 65 years. The American Legion was founded in March 1919 following the First World War. Mrs. Osnoe joined the military in 1942. She was a member of the Women's Auxiliary Army Corps, stationed in Norfolk, Virginia as a radar observer. When she was discharged, she returned home and joined the American Legion George T. Files Post No. 20 in Brunswick. Mrs. Osnoe remained a member there for 2 years and then transferred her membership to the American Legion Field-Allen Post No. 148 in Windham, where she held many offices, including Post Commander. Mrs. Osnoe remained a member there until 1982, when she transferred her membership to Topsham Memorial Post No. 202, where she was elected to the Post Adjutant position and was voted Honorary Post Commander. Mrs. Osnoe also served as a Sagadahoc County Commissioner. During her career in the American Legion, Mrs. Osnoe worked tirelessly for women veterans and their benefits. We send her our appreciation for her many years of dedicated service to her community, the American Legion and her Nation. Mrs. Osnoe celebrated her 92nd birthday on February 10, 2013, and we also send her our congratulations and best wishes; (SLS 105)

Norman Melancon, of the Biddeford Fire Department, and Ed Dexter, of the Biddeford Police Department, who have received the Heroism Award for service above and beyond the call of duty from the York County Firefighters Association. Captain Melancon and Officer Dexter saved a woman with gunshot wounds at the time of an active shooting with the suspect still armed and in the building. We send our appreciation to Captain Melancon and Officer Dexter for their heroic actions and congratulate them on their receiving this award; (SLS 106)

Scott Nolette and Brian Donahue, who are firefighters with the Wells Fire Department, who have received the Life Saving Award from the York County Firefighters Association. Mr. Nolette saved a life while off duty at a Portland Sea Dogs game when a woman's heart had stopped beating. With 2 other men, Mr. Nolette performed cardiopulmonary resuscitation and used an automated external defibrillator. The woman survived. Mr. Donahue responded in a separate incident, assisting a man who had a massive heart attack in Wells. Mr. Donahue applied cardiopulmonary resuscitation and an automated external defibrillator until further care could be provided. We send our appreciation to firefighters Nolette and Donahue for their heroic actions and congratulate them on their receiving this award; (SLS 107)

Major Gregory W. Sanborn, Deputy Chief Game Warden, of Sidney, a 23-year veteran of the Maine Warden Service and dedicated public servant. Major Sanborn, born in Bridgton, graduated from Fryeburg Academy in 1984 and received his bachelor's degree from the University of Southern Maine in 1988.

He taught industrial arts in Bingham and in Fryeburg. His lifelong dream to become a Maine Game Warden was realized in 1990 after he graduated from the Maine Criminal Justice Academy and the Maine Warden School. His various assignments took him to the Kittery district and then the Sebago district. In 1997, he was promoted to sergeant, serving in Calais until he transferred to Lincoln. In 2004, he was promoted to major and assigned to Augusta, working tirelessly to uphold professional standards and to ensure that the agency was meeting the demands of the times. We acknowledge the exemplary life and career of Major Sanborn and his commitment to public service and to the State. He will be greatly missed by his loving wife, Deborah, his family and those whose lives he touched; (SLS 108) (memoriam)

The following members of the Oxford Hills Comprehensive High School Girls Combined Ski Team, who have won the 2013 Class A Girls State Championship: Alpine Ski Team members Colleen Stauder, Amanda Hanning, Annika Kahkonen, Miranda Murphy, McKayla Ivey, Ellen Bessette and coach Mike Grace; Nordic Ski Team members Eva Gabrielsen, India Lucas, Moriah Lee, Julia Dillon, Mary Bryce, Alyssa Andrews, Emily Cormier and coach Chris Easton. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the members of the team on this achievement; (SLS 109)

The Oxford Elementary School 3rd and 4th Grade Girls Basketball Team, on its winning the 2013 Central Maine Basketball League Championship. We send our congratulations and best wishes to the members of the team on their winning this championship; (SLS 110)

The Central Aroostook High School Boys Basketball Team, of Mars Hill, on its winning the 2013 Class D State Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the members of the team on their achievement; (SLS 111)

The Lakes Region High School Girls Basketball Team, of Naples, on its winning the 2013 Western Class B Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the members of the team on their achievement; (SLS 112)

The members of the Waterville Senior High School Girls Indoor Track and Field Team, of Waterville, on their winning the 2013 Class B State Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the members of the team on their achievement; (SLS 113)

Zach Gilpin, of Hampden, a student at Hampden Academy and a member of the 2013 Class A State Championship Team, who received a William Warner Award from the [I]Bangor Daily News/[I] for most valuable player for the Class A boys tournament. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Zach on his receiving this honor; (SLS 114)

The following members of the Hampden Academy Boys Basketball Team, of Hampden, who have won the 2013 Class A State Championship: players Jake Black, Brian Fickett, Nicholas Gilpin, Zachary Gilpin, Deshaun Jones, Matthew Martin, Brendan McIntyre, Conary Moore, Tyler Norris, Matthew Palmer, Cameron Scott, Samuel Scott and Logan Stewart; managers James Baines and Max Moore; coach Russ Bartlett; and assistant coaches Gary Colson, Tyler Ross and Blaine Meehan. The team won the title in an undefeated season of 22-0. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the members of the team on their achievement; (SLS 115)

Gail Kelly, of Brewer, who has been honored by the National Multiple Sclerosis Society as the Congressional Staff Person of the Year, an award that recognizes the key role staff persons play in raising awareness of and furthering issues important to those

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impacted by multiple sclerosis. Ms. Kelly served as the state director for former United States Senator Olympia Snowe and was a member of her staff for more than 30 years. She is only the 3rd recipient of this award and the first state or district staff person to receive it. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Kelly on her receiving this award and we send our appreciation for her contributions to the people of the State; (SLS 116)

The York High School Boys Indoor Track Team, on its winning the 2013 Class B State Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the members of the team on their achievement; (SLS 117)

The Honorable Mary Cathcart, of Orono, former Member of the Maine State Legislature and current Senior Policy Associate with the Margaret Chase Smith Policy Center at the University of Maine, on her induction into the Maine Women's Hall of Fame for her contributions to the lives of women in Maine. She began to advance the cause of women's rights with volunteer work at Spruce Run in Bangor, the 3rd-oldest domestic violence shelter in the country. Ms. Cathcart served in the House of Representatives for 3 terms and for 4 terms in the Senate. She has been a stalwart supporter of women's issues throughout her life and she was a leader in promoting legislation that improved the status of women and protected the family. Ms. Cathcart has served on the Maine Commission of Women and was a founder of the Eastern Regional Commission for Women, and has served on the boards for several other coalitions and centers that promote the health and welfare of women. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on her induction into the Maine Women's Hall of Fame; (SLS 118)

Beth Pendleton Clark, of Augusta, author, pastor and educator. Dr. Clark was born in Bradford, New Hampshire and grew up in Bangor, where her father was the pastor of Columbia Street Baptist Church, and later the family moved to Waterville. She graduated from Colby College with an AB degree and from Andover Newton Theological Seminary with a BD degree. In 1968 she received a Master of Divinity degree from Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary and in 1981, at the age of 69, became the first woman to receive a Doctor of Ministry degree from Lancaster Theological Seminary. In 1940, she married the Reverend John G. Clark of Augusta, Georgia. As he served churches in the South, she raised their 2 children and served those churches by working with youth, singing in the choir and directing plays. After the death of her husband in 1955, she completed his book, [I]Meditations on the Lord's Supper[I], which was published in 1958. Dr. Clark held several professional positions, including the position of Executive Director of the YWCAs in Bristol, Tennessee and Asheville, North Carolina. She was also Dean of Women at Anderson College in Anderson, South Carolina and at Eastern College in St. Davids, Pennsylvania. Dr. Clark was Volunteer Resources Coordinator at the Selinsgrove State School and Hospital from 1965 to 1978. Following her retirement in 1978, Dr. Clark studied and traveled extensively. While serving on the National United Church Board, she visited mission stations in Jamaica, Haiti and Puerto Rico. She was an interim pastor for twenty-one churches in the Penn Central Conference. After moving to Maine, she continued to do some preaching, including at churches in Falmouth and Deer Isle. She will be greatly missed and long remembered by her family, including her loving daughter and son-in-law, the Honorable Beverly Daggett and Thomas Daggett, her friends and those whose lives she touched; (SLS 119) (memoriam)

Megan Williams, of Waterville, who has received the 2012 Mid-Maine Chamber of Commerce's Rising Star Award for her work with Hardy Girls Healthy Women, a nonprofit organization that serves close to 1,000 teenagers and preteen girls a year. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Ms. Williams on her receiving this honor; (SLS 120)

Nikolaus Josephson, 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. For his Eagle Scout service project, Nikolaus rerouted a wet trail at Skyline Farm in North Yarmouth. We extend our congratulations to him on this achievement; (SLS 121)

Bernice Lamontagne, of Augusta, on the occasion of her 100th Birthday, March 7, 2013. Mrs. Lamontagne was born in Aroostook County and soon after moved to Augusta. She was married to Alfred Lamontagne and has one son. We send her our congratulations on her centennial celebration of her life; (SLS 122)

Andrew Libby, of Saco, a junior at Thornton Academy and key offensive player on the 2013 Class A State Championship Football Team, who was named the [I]Maine Sunday Telegram[I] Player of the Year. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Andrew on his receiving this honor; (SLS 123)

The following members of the Scarborough High School Boys Indoor Track Team, on their winning the 2013 Class A State Championship: Jake Alofs, Ben Farino, Robert Hall, Alec James, Ryan Jamison, Merrick Madden, Nicolas Quiram, Jacob Thurlow, Anthony Verzoni, Greg Viola, Eric Woodbury, Matthew Aceto, Austin Doody, Daniel Gardner, Vincent Gironde, Alex Karam, Cameron Langlois, Ben Lindsay, Sean O'Connor, Michael Pino, Jacob Bloom, Maxim Doiron, Sam Elliott, Luke Foerster, Will Fowler, Edward James, Colin Jones, Jerry Kenney, Hugh McSorley, Matthew Oliver, Sam Webber, Drew Wells, Chris Dionne, Conner Doherty, Garrett Doody, Griffin Madden, John Pillsbury, Edward Radley IV, Andrew Sholl, Colin Tardif and Elliot Youth. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the members of the team on their achievement; (SLS 124)

Matthew Denger, of Biddeford, who faced countless challenges and inspired countless people with his unwavering strength and passion. Matthew inherited Duchenne muscular dystrophy, a disorder that causes progressive muscle degeneration and weakness. Despite his overwhelming challenges, Matthew graduated from Biddeford High School, was a dedicated volunteer for Senator Susan Collins' office in Biddeford for 5 years and was studying at the University of New England as a sophomore. Matthew will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving family and friends and those whose lives he touched; (SLS 125) (memoriam)

Mariah Hebert, of Biddeford, a senior at Biddeford High School, who was named the [I]Maine Sunday Telegram[I] All-State Volleyball Team Player of the Year. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on her receiving this honor; (SLS 126)

The Bowdoin College Men's Hockey Team, of Brunswick, which won the 2013 New England Small College Athletic Conference Championship and will compete in the NCAA Division III tournament. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the team on this achievement; (SLS 127)

The Bowdoin College Women's Hockey Team, of Brunswick, which won the 2013 New England Small College Athletic

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Conference Championship and will compete in the NCAA Division III tournament. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the team on this achievement; (SLS 128)

The following students at the Maine School of Science and Mathematics, in Limestone, who are members of the science team that won the regional Maine Science Bowl competition: Roger Van Peski, captain, of Northport; Rachel Olugbemi, of Presque Isle; William Popov, of Presque Isle; Belle O'Bryon, of Northport; and Lucy Wilcox, of New Gloucester. The team's coach is Dr. Deb Eustis-Grandy. The team will compete at the National Science Bowl finals in April. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the members of the team on this achievement; (SLS 129)

Lieutenant Rob Slaving, of Old Orchard Beach, a member of the Portland Fire Department, who is the recipient of a 2013 Real Heroes Award for Lifesaving Service from the American Red Cross of Southern Maine, for his role in saving the life of a woman whose car crashed into Portland Harbor. Katie Nelson had earlier dived into the water to remove the elderly lady from her car and Lieutenant Slaving swam the woman to shore to safety. We congratulate Lieutenant Slaving on his receiving this well-deserved honor; (SLS 130)

Katie Nelson, of Biddeford, who is the recipient of a 2013 Real Heroes Award for Lifesaving Service from the American Red Cross of Southern Maine for her role in saving the life of a woman whose car crashed into Portland Harbor. Ms. Nelson was dining in a nearby restaurant when she heard the crash. She ran to the scene, dived into the water and swam to the partially submerged car. Ms. Nelson crawled through a smashed window and found an elderly woman floating inside. She grabbed the woman's hands and pulled her out of the car. Lieutenant Slaving, of the Portland Fire Department, swam her to waiting helpers and to safety. We congratulate Ms. Nelson on her receiving this well-deserved honor; (SLS 131)

Reese McFarlane, of Cape Elizabeth, a sophomore at Cape Elizabeth High School, who has won the 2013 Class B State Golf Championship. He was named the [I]Maine Sunday Telegram[/I] All-Star Player of the Year. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Reese on this achievement; (SLS 132)

Dr. Jill Mahoney, of Saco, who is the recipient of a 2013 Real Heroes Award for Medical Provider from the American Red Cross of Southern Maine for her positive impact, her acts of heroism, courage, kindness and unselfish character as she serves the community. We extend our congratulations to her on her receiving this well-deserved award; (SLS 133)

Michael Wells, of South Portland, who is the recipient of an American Red Cross of Maine 2013 Real Heroes Award for his role in saving the life of a woman whose car crashed into Portland Harbor. Due to his valiant efforts, and the contributions of other bystanders, the woman survived. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Wells on his receiving this honor; (SLS 134)

Todd Johnston, of Rockland, who was named Officer of the Year by Rockland Lodge No. 1008 of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. Johnston on his receiving this honor; (SLS 135)

Donald Crudell, of Rockland, who was named Elk of the Year by Rockland Lodge No. 1008 of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. Crudell on his receiving this honor; (SLS 136)

Bruce Gamage, Jr., of Rockland, who was named Citizen of the Year by Rockland Lodge No. 1008 of the Benevolent and

Protective Order of Elks. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. Gamage on his receiving this honor; (SLS 137)

The South Thomaston Fire Department, which earned the Safety and Health Award for Public Employees certification. This certification, also known as SHAPE, recognizes public-sector organizations that voluntarily undertake a rigorous safety achievement program for their workplace. We congratulate the South Thomaston Fire Department on its receiving this certification; (SLS 138)

Michael W. Milburn, of Calais, a longtime law enforcement officer and police chief in Washington County. Mr. Milburn attended Woodland High School in Baileyville. After working one year at Georgia Pacific, he started M and M Contractors. He began his law enforcement career in Baileyville as a patrol officer for one year and then moved to Calais, where he spent 36 years as a police officer and chief of police. Mr. Milburn was active with Rotary Club, the Calais Lions Club, the Maine Chiefs of Police Association and Blue Knights International Law Enforcement Motorcycle Club, Inc. He also served on the Calais City Council for 2 years. He was a dedicated husband, father and grandfather and he will be greatly missed and long remembered by his family and friends; (SLS 139) (memoriam)

Old Village Inn, of Ogunquit, on its receiving the Community Spirit Award from Make-A-Wish Maine for its significant contributions to the organization. Since 2009, Old Village Inn has held an annual Christmas ball and has donated the proceeds to Make-A-Wish Maine. To date, Old Village Inn has raised \$15,000 for Make-A-Wish Maine, which covers the cost of more than 2 wishes. We send our appreciation to Old Village Inn on its contributions and we send our congratulations on its receiving this honor; (SLS 140)

The Marshwood High School Wrestling Team, of South Berwick, on its winning the 2013 Class A State Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the members of the team on their achievement; (SLS 141)

Brett Gerry, of South Berwick, a sophomore at Marshwood High School, who was named to the 2013 [I]Maine Sunday Telegram[/I] All-State Wrestling Team. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Brett on his receiving this honor; (SLS 142)

Cody Hughes, of South Berwick, a sophomore at Marshwood High School, who was named to the 2013 [I]Maine Sunday Telegram[/I] All-State Wrestling Team. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Cody on his receiving this honor; (SLS 143)

Matt Rix, of South Berwick, coach of the Class A State Championship Wrestling Team, who has been named the 2013 [I]Maine Sunday Telegram[/I] All-State Wrestling Coach of the Year for the second year in a row. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Coach Rix on his receiving this honor; (SLS 144)

Tyler Davidson, of South Berwick, a student at Marshwood High School, who became the 16th Maine wrestler to win a championship in each of his high school years. He won his 4th title in the 120-pound weight category. Tyler was also named to the 2013 [I]Maine Sunday Telegram[/I] All-State Wrestling Team. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on his accomplishments; (SLS 145)

Ashley Martin, of Van Buren, a senior at Van Buren Secondary School, who is the recipient of the 2013 Principal's Award for outstanding academic achievement and citizenship,

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sponsored by the Maine Principals' Association. We extend our congratulations to Ashley on her receiving this award; (SLS 146)

Curtis Paradis, of Biddeford, a sophomore at Biddeford High School, who won the 2013 Class A Slalom Ski State Championship. This is the second year in a row that Curtis has won the Class A Slalom Ski Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on his remarkable achievement; (SLS 147)

Herbert York, of Farmington, who won first place in the A Non-Irrigated division and first place in the A No-Till/Strip Till Non-Irrigated division of the 2012 National Corn Growers' Association's Corn Yield Contest in Maine. This is an annual competition among corn producers with the goal of producing the highest yields. We send our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. York on his success in this venture; (SLS 148)

The Mt. Abram High School Boys Ski Team, on its winning the 2013 Mountain Valley Conference championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the members of the team on their achievement; (SLS 149)

The Mt. Abram High School Girls Ski Team, on its winning the 2013 Mountain Valley Conference championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the members of the team on their achievement; (SLS 150)

Katahdin Trust Company, of Houlton, on being named the 2013 Business of the Year by the Greater Houlton Chamber of Commerce. The award recognizes the company's commitment to provide a quality service to its customers in a personal and professional manner. We congratulate Katahdin Trust Company on its receiving this award; (SLS 151)

Paul McGillicuddy, of Houlton, on the occasion of his 100th Birthday. Mr. McGillicuddy was born March 16, 1913. He was treated to a surprise party by the staff of the Cardiac Rehab Center at Houlton Regional Hospital. We send him our congratulations and best wishes on the centennial celebration of his life; (SLS 152)

Lieutenant Leo Letourneau, of Sanford, on the occasion of his retirement as a firefighter with the Sanford Fire Department after over 40 years of dedicated service. Lieutenant Letourneau was hired August 1, 1972 and is a 40-year member of the International Association of Fire Fighters Local 1624. We send our appreciation to Lieutenant Letourneau on his commitment to his profession, to his community and to the State. We extend our congratulations to him on his well-deserved retirement and send him our best wishes; (SLS 153)

Barbara T. Whittaker, of Sanford, longtime librarian in the area. Mrs. Whittaker was born in Kennebunk and graduated from Sanford High School, class of 1942. She received her certification from the Maine State Library and took many courses throughout the years. She married John Whittaker in 1943. In 1952, Mrs. Whittaker began her library career as a substitute clerk at the Louis B. Goodall Memorial Library. She served for many years at the Carpentier Branch Library, and in 1979 she became children's librarian at Goodall. She was a faithful member of Crossroads United Methodist Church, where she taught Sunday school for many years. She will be greatly missed and long remembered by her loving family and friends; (SLS 154) (memoriam)

Grant T. Starret, of Belfast, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 27, 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, Grant built an

outdoor classroom pavilion at Belfast Area High School. We extend our congratulations to him on this achievement; (SLS 155)

The Town of Freedom, on the occasion of its 200th Anniversary. Freedom, in Waldo County, was incorporated as a town in 1813, during the war with Great Britain. The name Freedom, expressing the spirit of the people, was chosen by its inhabitants upon its incorporation. We extend our congratulations to the good citizens of Freedom on this bicentennial celebration; (SLS 156)

Kimberly Buckheit, of Belfast, principal of Troy A. Howard Middle School, who was named Maine's 2013 Middle Level Principal of the Year by the Maine Principals' Association. This award is given for professional leadership that results in an exemplary innovative school model in which learners are inspired to thrive. Ms. Buckheit is known to inspire adults and students to strive for a successful learning experience. She served as an elementary school principal at Edna Drinkwater Elementary School in Northport, East Belfast Elementary School and Governor Anderson Elementary School in Belfast before being named principal at Troy A. Howard Middle School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Ms. Buckheit on her being named the Middle Level Principal of the Year; (SLS 157)

The following members of the Messalonskee High School Ice Hockey Team, of Oakland, who have won the 2013 Eastern Maine Class B Championship: Joshua Towle, Sam Bell, Jake Dexter, Dylan Burton, Shea McCann, Corey Foye, Devin Pickett, Nate Nadeau, Jared Cunningham, Will Weeks, Kalib Bernatchez, Albert Languet IV, Tyler Simpson, Elijah Tuell and Benjamin Weeks; captains Dominic Dexter and Chase Cunningham; assistant coaches Lee Bureau, Dave Richards and John DelGiudice; and head coach Mike Latendresse. We congratulate the members of the team on their achievement; (SLS 158)

Joseph and Lorraine Freeman, of Augusta, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Freeman were married October 20, 1962 at St. Augustine Church in Augusta. They have 4 children, 5 grandchildren and one great-grandchild. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Freeman on this very special occasion; (SLS 159)

Lori Small, of Winthrop, Principal of Farrington Elementary School in Augusta, who was named the 2013 Elementary Principal of the Year by the Maine Principals' Association. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on her receiving this honor; (SLS 160)

Lt. Col. Terry Moore (Ret. USAF), of Bangor, who is the recipient of the Visionary Voice Award from the Maine Coalition Against Sexual Assault for her significant impact in raising awareness of sexual violence, particularly military sexual trauma. Lt. Col. Moore bought the rights to the film [I]The Invisible War[/I] and is touring the country with advocacy and treatment groups to show the film to veterans groups and military communities. Lt. Col. Moore also served as Chair of the Advisory Commission on Women Veterans to honor female veterans across the State with personal letters and silver commemorative coins. She was also instrumental in the placing of a permanent bronze plaque in the Hall of Flags in honor of women veterans. We send Lt. Col. Moore our appreciation for her commitment to women, to veterans and to her State and Nation, and we congratulate her on her receiving the Visionary Voice Award; (SLS 161)

Ernestine Peaslee, of Somerville, on the occasion of her retirement after almost 21 years of dedicated service as Town Clerk for the Town of Somerville. Each time she ran for the position, the election was uncontested. We extend our

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appreciation to Ms. Peaslee for her commitment to the Town of Somerville and wish her well in her future endeavors; (SLS 162)

The Grand Theater, of Ellsworth, upon the celebration of its 75th Anniversary. The Grand Theater opened on July 14, 1938 and operated successfully until 1950, when it closed. In the late 1960s, it reopened for a few years and was used for boxing events. It was scheduled for demolition in 1974, but the community came together and restored and reopened it in 1975 as a performing arts center. Today, the Grand Theater is well known for its combination of Art Deco and Streamline Moderne design. The mission of the Grand Theater is to enrich the lives of people in Downeast and Eastern Maine by presenting diverse, unique and high-quality programs that provide entertaining, artistic, educational and social experiences. We extend our congratulations to the Grand Theater community on this important anniversary and send our best wishes for continued success; (SLS 163)

Zachary Hicks, of Gardiner, 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 service project, Zachary installed a handicap ramp at the Highland Avenue United Methodist Church in Gardiner, dedicating it to the memory of his grandfather, John Hicks. We extend our congratulations to Zachary on this achievement; (SLS 164)

The Freeport High School Girls Ski Team, on its winning the 2013 Class C State Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the members of the team on their achievement; (SLS 165)

The following students at Sanford Regional Technical Center, who won a Gold Medal at the 2013 SkillsUSA Maine Championship: Pete McCoy for early childhood education and Brook Gebhardt for screen printing technology. The SkillsUSA Maine Championship is a state-level competition for high school and college students enrolled in trade, technical and skilled service instructional programs in which students from across the State demonstrate their talents and dedication to their fields of study. We congratulate these 2 students on their achievements; (SLS 166)

David Desjardins, of New Canada, president and chief executive officer of Acadia Federal Credit Union, who was named the 2013 Maine Small Business Leader of the Year by [I]Mainebiz[/I] magazine. Mr. Desjardins was honored for his commitment to credit union members and the community at large and for his passion for small business in Northern Aroostook County. We congratulate Mr. Desjardins on his receiving this award; (SLS 167)

Benny Fishman, a student at St. John Valley Technology Center, in Frenchville, who won the Gold Medal in cabinetmaking at the SkillsUSA Maine Championship. The SkillsUSA Maine Championship is a state-level competition for high school and college students enrolled in trade, technical and skilled service instructional programs in which students from across the State demonstrate their talents and dedication to their fields of study. We congratulate Benny on his achievement; (SLS 168)

The following students at Van Buren Regional Technology Center, who won the Gold Medal at the 2013 SkillsUSA Maine Championship: Vanessa Lavoie, welding sculpture; Nicholas Ayotte, welding fabrication; Forrest Bouchard, welding fabrication; and Marc LaJoie, welding fabrication. The SkillsUSA Maine Championship is a state-level competition for high school and

college students enrolled in trade, technical and skilled service instructional programs in which students from across the State demonstrate their talents and dedication to their fields of study. We congratulate these students on their achievements; (SLS 169)

The members of the Fryeburg Academy Jazz Big Band, winners of the 2013 Maine High School Instrumental Jazz Festival in Houlton: Malik Mobley, Alex Ouellette, Megan Cavanaugh, Chris Schubert, Paul Dostie, Chelsea Abraham, Isabel Hodgman-Burns, Isabelle Boyd, Hunter Lyons, Patrick Moody, Liam LaMountain, Kylie Jolicoeur, Kitty Yuan, Michelle Boucher, Savannah Kruguer, Sullivan Briggs, Nicole Tichenor and Ashley Wissman and director Brent LaCasce. This is the band's 3rd title in 5 years. We extend our congratulations to the members of the Fryeburg Academy Jazz Big Band on this achievement; (SLS 170)

Kasey Huntress, of Harrison, a senior at Lake Region High School, who is the recipient of the 2013 Principal's Award for outstanding academic achievement and citizenship, sponsored by the Maine Principals' Association. We extend our congratulations to Kasey on her receiving this award; (SLS 171)

Merry Watson, of Naples, on her retirement from the Naples Fire Department. One of the community members who originally formed the Naples Rescue Department in 1975, Ms. Watson served 5 years as a firefighter for the Naples Fire Department and 37 years as an emergency technician for the Naples Rescue Department. Ms. Watson will continue to work as a rescue technician during the Fryeburg Fair and as President of the Naples Historical Society and Museum. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Watson for her commitment to the citizens of the Town of Naples and wish her well in her future endeavors; (SLS 172)

Brandon Aponte, of Brooklin, who has won the 2013 Maine State Spelling Bee. Brandon, who is homeschooled and is in the 7th grade, won after a 4-hour competition and a one-hour spell-off with last year's winner. Brandon will represent Maine at the Scripps National Spelling Bee on May 28, 2013 in Washington, D.C. We congratulate Brandon and send him our best wishes on this outstanding accomplishment; (SLS 173)

The Cosmopolitan Club of Bath, on its 100th anniversary. The club was organized on April 11, 1913 by its founder, Miss Elizabeth Webber, and the mission of the club was to bring together, for educational, philanthropic and social purposes, the numerous young women who desired to work together for the welfare of each other and the community at large. The club has had an immense positive and diverse impact on the community. During World War I, members provided aid to French victims of the war, including adopting an orphan, and sponsored the first public health nurse. During World War II, members conducted a street fair, bought defense bonds and sent clothing to our Russian allies. In 1927, the club was inducted into the General Federation of Women's Clubs and the Maine Federation of Women's Clubs. It has supported projects like Maine Youth Leadership, Domestic Violence Awareness, Operation Smile, the Good Shepherd Food Bank and the Maine Women's Fund. While maintaining the same purpose incorporated in 1913, the club continues to maintain the historical and architectural integrity of its clubhouse, a Greek Revival structure on the National Register of Historic Places in the historic business district of Bath. The women of the Cosmopolitan Club of Bath continue to gather in fellowship, raise awareness of the needs of the community, serve that community and open their homes to those in need and to



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those who serve. We extend our appreciation and congratulations to the Cosmopolitan Club of Bath on its centennial celebration; (SLS 174)

Kyle Lee, of Sidney, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 454, 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, Kyle restored and documented the Getchell Cemetery in Sidney. We extend our congratulations to him on this achievement; (SLS 175)

Paul Vachon, of Augusta, New England Basketball Hall of Fame coach, who guided the Cony High School girls basketball team to 7 Class A State Championship crowns and 11 Eastern Maine titles, on his induction into the Maine Sports Hall of Fame. The former coach of 23 years at Cony High School, Mr. Vachon is currently the school's athletic director. He coached 3 Miss Maine Basketball winners, 23 McDonald Senior All-Stars and 7 players who went on to play Division I basketball. Mr. Vachon was a basketball player himself and was on the 1973 Class A State Championship team. He has been an inspiration to countless players through the years. We congratulate Paul Vachon on his induction into the Maine Sports Hall of Fame; (SLS 176)

Winona Davenport, of Phillips, for her more than 20 years of service to the citizens of the Town of Phillips. Ms. Davenport served on the Phillips Conservation Commission, the Phillips Area Chamber of Commerce, the Phillips Area Community Center and the Parent Teacher Association. Since 1998, she has helped the Phillips Public Library with the local Justafeld Golf Scramble and the famous Penny Auction, raising \$68,969. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Davenport for her commitment to the citizens of the Town of Phillips; (SLS 177)

Albert Bertrand, a resident of the Maine Veterans' Home in Scarborough, who is the recipient of a Certificate of Lifetime Achievement Award from the Maine Health Care Association's Remember ME project, which honors pioneering, innovative and interesting residents living in Maine's long-term care facilities. We congratulate Mr. Bertrand on his being recognized by the Remember ME project; (SLS 178)

Richard Kimball, a resident of Springbrook Center in Westbrook, who is the recipient of a Certificate of Lifetime Achievement Award from the Maine Health Care Association's Remember ME project, which honors pioneering, innovative and interesting residents living in Maine's long-term care facilities. We congratulate Mr. Kimball on his being recognized by the Remember ME project; (SLS 179)

Cecil Low, a resident of the Maine Veterans' Home in Scarborough, who is the recipient of a Certificate of Lifetime Achievement Award from the Maine Health Care Association's Remember ME project, which honors pioneering, innovative and interesting residents living in Maine's long-term care facilities. We congratulate Mr. Low on his being recognized by the Remember ME project; (SLS 180)

Paul M. Neal, a resident of the Gorham House in Gorham, who is the recipient of a Certificate of Lifetime Achievement Award from the Maine Health Care Association's Remember ME project, which honors pioneering, innovative and interesting residents living in Maine's long-term care facilities. We congratulate Mr. Neal on his being recognized by the Remember ME project; (SLS 181)

Laurette Tardie, a resident of the Mercy Home in Eagle Lake, who is the recipient of a Certificate of Lifetime Achievement Award from the Maine Health Care Association's Remember ME

project, which honors pioneering, innovative and interesting residents living in Maine's long-term care facilities. We congratulate Mrs. Tardie on her being recognized by the Remember ME project; (SLS 182)

Norm Ritter, a resident of Atria Kennebunk in Kennebunk, who is the recipient of a Certificate of Lifetime Achievement Award from the Maine Health Care Association's Remember ME project, which honors pioneering, innovative and interesting residents living in Maine's long-term care facilities. We congratulate Mr. Ritter on his being recognized by the Remember ME project; (SLS 183)

Jack Deady, a resident of the Hawthorne House in Freeport, who is the recipient of a Certificate of Lifetime Achievement Award from the Maine Health Care Association's Remember ME project, which honors pioneering, innovative and interesting residents living in Maine's long-term care facilities. We congratulate Mr. Deady on his being recognized by the Remember ME project; (SLS 184)

Merrill Shea, a resident of the Lincoln Home in Newcastle, who is the recipient of a Certificate of Lifetime Achievement Award from the Maine Health Care Association's Remember ME project, which honors pioneering, innovative and interesting residents living in Maine's long-term care facilities. We congratulate Mr. Shea on his being recognized by the Remember ME project; (SLS 185)

Fred Goldrup, a resident of Clover Health Care in Auburn, who is the recipient of a Certificate of Lifetime Achievement Award from the Maine Health Care Association's Remember ME project, which honors pioneering, innovative and interesting residents living in Maine's long-term care facilities. We congratulate Mr. Goldrup on his being recognized by the Remember ME project; (SLS 186)

Martha Rafter, a resident of the Portland Center for Assisted Living in Portland, who is the recipient of a Certificate of Lifetime Achievement Award from the Maine Health Care Association's Remember ME project, which honors pioneering, innovative and interesting residents living in Maine's long-term care facilities. We congratulate Ms. Rafter on her being recognized by the Remember ME project; (SLS 187)

Carmen Mercier, a resident of The Chapman House in Auburn, who is the recipient of a Certificate of Lifetime Achievement Award from the Maine Health Care Association's Remember ME project, which honors pioneering, innovative and interesting residents living in Maine's long-term care facilities. We congratulate Ms. Mercier on her being recognized by the Remember ME project; (SLS 188)

Ruth Wood, a resident of the Russell Park Rehabilitation and Living Center in Lewiston, who is the recipient of a Certificate of Lifetime Achievement Award from the Maine Health Care Association's Remember ME project, which honors pioneering, innovative and interesting residents living in Maine's long-term care facilities. We congratulate Ms. Wood on her being recognized by the Remember ME project; (SLS 189)

Edward Miller, a resident of the Ross Manor in Bangor, who is the recipient of a Certificate of Lifetime Achievement Award from the Maine Health Care Association's Remember ME project, which honors pioneering, innovative and interesting residents living in Maine's long-term care facilities. We congratulate Mr. Miller on his being recognized by the Remember ME project; (SLS 190)

Barbara Weymouth, a resident of the Stillwater Health Care in Bangor, who is the recipient of a Certificate of Lifetime

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Achievement Award from the Maine Health Care Association's Remember ME project, which honors pioneering, innovative and interesting residents living in Maine's long-term care facilities. We congratulate Ms. Weymouth on her being recognized by the Remember ME project; (SLS 191)

William Knight, a resident of the Maine Veterans' Home in Bangor, who is the recipient of a Certificate of Lifetime Achievement Award from the Maine Health Care Association's Remember ME project, which honors pioneering, innovative and interesting residents living in Maine's long-term care facilities. We congratulate Mr. Knight on his being recognized by the Remember ME project; (SLS 192)

Doris Dow, a resident of the Ross Manor in Bangor, who is the recipient of a Certificate of Lifetime Achievement Award from the Maine Health Care Association's Remember ME project, which honors pioneering, innovative and interesting residents living in Maine's long-term care facilities. We congratulate Ms. Dow on her being recognized by the Remember ME project; (SLS 193)

Steven M. Onos, of South Portland, who served 6 years on the South Portland School Board, including a term as chair. Mr. Onos was a graduate of South Portland High School and the University of Southern Maine. He worked in management positions at GMAC, Key Bank, TD Bank, JPMorgan Chase and Co. and Northeast Credit Union. He was most recently vice president of lending at Town & Country Federal Credit Union. He will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving family and many friends; (SLS 194) (memoriam)

Irene "Rene" and Madeline Patenaude, of Augusta, on the occasion of their 70th Wedding Anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Patenaude were married at St. Augustine's Church in Augusta on March 9, 1943 by the Reverend Gerard Patenaude, Mr. Patenaude's brother. Mr. Patenaude served aboard the USS Raleigh during World War II as an aerologist. After his service, Mr. Patenaude, with his wife Madeline, owned and operated Patenaude's Superette in Augusta from 1946 to 1977. They have 8 children, 20 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this anniversary; (SLS 195)

The Maine Diner, of Wells, an award-winning family-owned restaurant known for its hallmark hospitality, speedy service and hearty home cooking, on the occasion of its 30th anniversary. During these past 30 years, the Maine Diner has served more than 6,000,000 customers and has received accolades and made television appearances on programs such as the Food Network's Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives, NBC's Today Show and the Boston-based Phantom Gourmet Show. In 2010 the diner was the recipient of the Maine Restaurant Association's Restaurateur of the Year Award. We send our congratulations to the owners, staff and customers of the Maine Diner and send our best wishes for their future success; (SLS 196)

Tenney Noyes and Brooks Thompson, of Skowhegan, wrestling coaches for the Skowhegan Area High School Wrestling Team, who were named the 2013 [I]Kennebec Journal[I] Wrestling Coaches of the Year. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Noyes and to Mr. Thompson on their receiving this well-deserved honor; (SLS 197)

Carol Lozito, of South China, who has been named to the Maine Community College System 2013 All-Academic Team. Ms. Lozito attends Kennebec Valley Community College in Fairfield. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this accomplishment; (SLS 198)

Tammy Jones, of Oakland, who was named the 2013 Maine Community College System Student of the Year. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Ms. Jones on her receiving this honor; (SLS 199)

Dr. Russell Abbott, of Owls Head, who founded and operated the Rockland Animal Hospital for more than 38 years and was widely recognized for his work in veterinary ophthalmology. After 38 years, Dr. Abbott became an ordained American Baptist minister and served as a relief pastor for churches throughout the mid-coast area and the islands. He will be greatly missed by his loving family and friends; (SLS 200) (memoriam)

Nancy O'Brien, of Bass Harbor, owner of Fiore Artisan Olive Oils and Vinegars in Bar Harbor and Rockland, who is the recipient of the 2013 Woman-Owned Small Business Award for Maine by the United States Small Business Administration. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Ms. O'Brien on her receiving this award; (SLS 201)

The following students at Region 8, Mid-Coast School of Technology, in Rockland, who won the Gold Medal at the 2013 SkillsUSA Maine Championship: Nathan Overlock, chapter display; Kody Pendleton, chapter display; Shale Peters, chapter display; Allen Barner, 3-D visualization and animation; and Brittney Guimond, 3-D visualization and animation. The SkillsUSA Maine Championship is a state-level competition for high school and college students enrolled in trade, technical and skilled service instructional programs in which students from across the State demonstrate their talents and dedication to their fields of study. We congratulate these students on their achievements; (SLS 202)

Parker Montano, of South Portland, a member of Boy Scout Troop 1, who is the recipient of a Heroism Award for his efforts last summer to save 2 youths who were drowning in a hotel pool in New Jersey. This award is given to a Scout or an adult leader who saves or attempts to save a life under circumstances that indicate heroism and present a risk to his or her own life. We send our appreciation to Parker for his act of selflessness and congratulate him on his receiving this award; (SLS 203)

Katherine Elliot, of Scarborough, who is the recipient of a 2013 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. Katherine is a senior at Scarborough High School. She recruits fellow students to help her conduct a community collection drive each month to benefit a variety of local charitable organizations. She has established her own charity, "The Drive Force." Her drives have benefited a Ronald McDonald House, the Salvation Army, the Preble Street Soup Kitchen, the Center for Grieving Children, the Animal Refuge League, the Lighthouse Shelter, Children's Miracle Network and Big Brothers Big Sisters. We congratulate Katherine on her receiving this award and thank her for her dedication to her community and State; (SLS 204)

Marissa Bates, of Westbrook, who is the recipient of a 2013 Prudential Spirit of Community Award for exemplary volunteer service. This award, presented by Prudential Financial, Inc. in partnership with the National Association of Secondary School Principals, honors young volunteers across America who have demonstrated extraordinary commitment to serving their communities. Marissa, who is a Girl Scout and a fifth grader at Westbrook Middle School, came up with the idea of a "mitten

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tree" to distribute mittens and warm hats to students who need them. She and other members in her Girl Scout troop gathered hats and mittens and set up a mitten tree at a local elementary school. We congratulate Marissa on her receiving this award and thank her for her dedication to her community and State; (SLS 205)

Bertrand A. Dumais, of Scarborough. Mr. Dumais was born in Livermore Falls and attended Livermore Falls schools. After graduating from Farmington Teachers College, Mr. Dumais enlisted in the 101st Airborne Division as an infantryman, serving during the Korean Conflict from 1949 to 1951. In 1953 Mr. Dumais began his life-long career in education and community service. He taught math and science in Skowhegan schools and served for 22 years as Skowhegan High School Assistant Principal. He was a member of the Maine Principals' Association, a high school football official and an officer of the Central Maine Football Officials Association. Mr. Dumais served as an official at the Skowhegan State Fair for 36 years. Mr. Dumais will be sadly missed by his loving family and his friends; (SLS 206) (memoriam)

Jean Sawyer, of Gorham, longtime co-owner of Sawyer's Variety Store in Gorham, which she owned with her husband for almost 40 years. She was a longtime member of the South Gorham Baptist Church and the Tri-County Extension. She also was involved with the Friends of South Windham Library and served as library trustee. She will be greatly missed and long remembered by her loving family and friends; (SLS 207) (memoriam)

Gary Sanville, of Westbrook, who won an Outstanding Musicianship Award for tenor sax in a Division II Combo and an Outstanding Musicianship Award for alto sax in a Division II Jazz Band at the 2013 Maine High School Instrumental Jazz Festival. We congratulate Gary on his receiving these honors and send him our best wishes; (SLS 208)

Jacob Violette, of Westbrook, who won an Outstanding Musicianship Award for saxophone in the "A" Multi Combo Division at the 2013 Maine High School Instrumental Jazz Festival. We send our congratulations and best wishes to Jacob on his receiving this honor; (SLS 209)

Westbrook High School Combo 1, on its winning first place in Division II Combos at the 2013 Maine High School Instrumental Jazz Festival. We send our congratulations and best wishes to the members of the combo on this achievement; (SLS 210)

Westbrook High School Combo 2, on its winning first place in the "A" Multi Combo Division at the 2013 Maine High School State Instrumental Jazz Festival. We send our congratulations and best wishes to the members of the jazz combo on this achievement; (SLS 211)

Andrew Corea, of Westbrook, who won an Outstanding Musicianship award for alto sax in a Division II Combo at the 2013 Maine High School Instrumental Jazz Festival. We congratulate Andrew on his receiving this honor and send him our best wishes; (SLS 212)

Dyer Rhoads, of Portland, who is the 2013 State Poetry Out Loud Champion. Dyer will represent the State at the National Poetry Out Loud Finals on April 28-30 in Washington, D.C. We extend our congratulations to Dyer on this accomplishment and wish him well at the finals; (SLS 213)

Louis Frumer, of Portland, a member of the Waynflete School Boys Ski Team, who is the State Class C Slalom Ski Champion. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Louis on this accomplishment; (SLS 214)

The Camden Hills Regional High School Wrestling Team, on its winning the 2013 Class B State Championship, the team's second consecutive title. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the members of the team on their achievement; (SLS 215)

The Windplanners of Camden Hills Regional High School, students who have dedicated themselves to making a significant contribution to the community's understanding and use of renewable energy, who are the recipients of the President's Environmental Youth Award for the New England Region. We acknowledge the years of excellence for all the people involved in the Windplanners project to bring a wind turbine to campus, and we acknowledge Camden Hills Regional High School and its Science Department. We extend our congratulations to the Windplanners on their receiving this well-deserved honor and send them our best wishes; (SLS 216)

The Camden Public Library and its Amphitheatre on being designated a National Historic Landmark by the Department of the Interior and the National Park Service. The grounds of the library and Amphitheatre are among the few public projects of Fletcher Steele, one of America's premier practitioners of 20th century landscape design. According to the National Historic Landmarks Program, it is an outstanding representation of the contributions made by the landscape architecture profession, private benefactors and national associations. We congratulate the Town of Camden and the Camden Public Library and its Amphitheatre on their receiving this distinguished designation; (SLS 217)

Karen Magnusson, of Augusta, who was named the 2013 [I]Kennebec Journal[I] Girls Basketball Coach of the Year. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on her receiving this honor; (SLS 218)

Commander Chris Cassidy, of York, a NASA astronaut and an officer in the United States Navy, on his successful space trip in the Russian Soyuz space capsule, taking him and 2 Russians with him to the International Space Station. Commander Cassidy and cosmonauts Pavel Vinogradov and Aleksandr Misurkin traveled 6 hours in the capsule before linking up with the space station's Russian Fassvet research module. Commander Cassidy, a graduate of York High School, the United States Naval Academy and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, will remain in space for 5 months before returning to Earth. We send our congratulations to Commander Cassidy on his remarkable accomplishment and send him our best wishes; (SLS 219)

Albert Moulton, of York, former police chief for the Town of York and longtime community supporter. Mr. Moulton served as chief of police from 1965 to 1976. One of his biggest goals was to see a new police station built for the town, and he recently served on the Municipal Building Committee for that purpose. Mr. Moulton was a veteran of the United States Armed Forces. He attended the FBI National Academy, graduating with the last class under J. Edgar Hoover. He co-owned, with his father, Moulton Engineering Company and was employed by Cianbro Construction, retiring in 1991. He again retired this past year from Eldredge Lumber. Mr. Moulton was a dedicated and valuable member of the Boardman-Ellis VFW Post No. 6977, and he was the youngest person to be elected to the position of state commander of the VFW when he was 29 years old. He will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving family and many friends; (SLS 220) (memoriam)

The members of the Fort Kent Community High School Boys Ski Team, who won the 2013 Class C Overall Skiing State

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Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the team on this accomplishment; (SLS 221)

Ryder Bennell, of Freeport, a member of the Freeport High School Ski Team, who is the State Class C Giant Slalom Champion. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Ryder on this accomplishment; (SLS 222)

The members of the Merriconeag Waldorf School Girls Ski Team and Boys Ski Team, of Freeport, who won the State Class C Nordic Ski Championships. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the team members on their accomplishments; (SLS 223)

Robert Zildjian, of Brunswick, whose name is synonymous with cymbals played by some of the best drummers in Western popular music. Mr. Zildjian's family lineage dates back 350 years to the Ottoman Empire and includes 10 generations of metallurgists and cymbal makers. His father, an Armenian immigrant, founded the Avedis Zildjian Company in Boston in the 1920s. In 1981, Mr. Zildjian founded his own company, Sabian, Inc. Sabian eventually became one of the most successful and respected musical instrument companies in the world. Mr. Zildjian and his wife, Willi, moved to Brunswick in 1994. He will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving family, his many friends and those whose lives he touched; (SLS 224) (memoriam)

The members of the Fort Kent Community High School Boys Alpine Ski Team and Girls Alpine Ski Team, of Fort Kent, who won the State Class C Alpine Ski Championships. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the team members on their accomplishments; (SLS 225)

Lance McKenney, of Fort Kent, a member of the Fort Kent Community High School Boys Ski Team, who is the State Class C Classical Ski Champion. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Lance on this accomplishment; (SLS 226)

Ellery Labbe, of Fort Kent, who is the recipient of the 2013 Distinguished Service Award from the University of Maine at Fort Kent. Mr. Labbe worked 24 years with the Maine Army National Guard as a noncommissioned officer. He owned and operated Nadeau's House of Furniture until he passed it on to his sons to operate. He has been a central figure with the Fort Kent Lions Club for over 50 years, holding several offices during his time as a member. Mr. Labbe was the first president of the St. John Valley Senior College, chair of the Finance Board for the St. Louis Church and was named Fort Kent Citizen of the Year in 2012. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Labbe for his dedicated service to the citizens of the Town of Fort Kent and congratulate him on his receiving this award; (SLS 227)

The Limestone Community School Destination ImagiNation Team, which won first place in the In Disguise Challenge, the Twist-O-Rama Challenge and the In The Zone Challenge at the State championship. We congratulate the members of the team on their achievements; (SLS 228)

Myasia Williams, of Limestone, who has been named a 2013 Student of the Year by the Maine Community College System. Ms. Williams attends Northern Maine Community College. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Williams on her receiving this honor; (SLS 229)

Jimmy Fitzpatrick, of Houlton, who is the recipient of the Hobey Baker Character Award. The Hobey Baker Character Award is given to a high school senior from each participating boys or girls hockey program in the State. The award recognizes student athletes who display exemplary character and

sportsmanship in their school and community. We extend our congratulations to Jimmy on his receiving this award; (SLS 230)

The Houlton High School Jazz Band, on its winning first place for Division IV Jazz Band at the 2013 Maine High School Instrumental Jazz Festival. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the members of the band on this achievement; (SLS 231)

Sarah Wade, of Farmington, who has been named the 2013 [I]Morning Sentinel[/I] Girls Nordic Skier of the Year. Sarah placed second in the Class A freestyle and seventh in the Classical Nordic State Championship. We extend our congratulations to Sarah on this accomplishment; (SLS 232)

Thomas Faraday, of Carrabassett Valley, who has been named the 2013 [I]Morning Sentinel[/I] Boys Nordic Skier of the Year for his winning the freestyle and classical titles the Mountain Valley Conference championships and finishing second in both these categories at the Class B State Championship. We congratulate Thomas on his receiving this honor; (SLS 233)

Elise Luce, of Carrabassett Valley, who was named the 2013 [I]Morning Sentinel[/I] Girls Alpine Skier of the Year for her 2 State titles in the slalom and giant slalom. We congratulate Elise on her receiving this honor; (SLS 234)

Max Kay, of Industry, who has been named the 2013 [I]Morning Sentinel[/I] Boys Alpine Skier of the Year. Max made the all-Kennebec Valley Athletic Conference Class A first team. At the Kennebec Valley Athletic Conference, Max placed seventh in slalom and sixth in giant slalom. He finished 28th in slalom and 12th in giant slalom at the Class A state championships. We extend our congratulations to Max on these accomplishments; (SLS 235)

Franklin Savings Bank, of Farmington, which has been ranked as the Strongest Bank in Maine by Weiss Ratings, the nation's leading independent provider of ratings and analyses of financial services companies, mutual funds and stocks. Franklin Savings Bank has dominated the state rankings compiled by Weiss since 1999 and is the only bank in Maine to receive an A grade and one of only 4 in all of New England. Franklin Savings Bank is currently the only 5-star Maine bank at Bankrate.com and has also received a 5-star superior rating from Bauer Financial. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Franklin Savings Bank on this remarkable achievement; (SLS 236)

Cheryl R. Goding, of Farmington, on the occasion of her retirement after 22 years of service with the United States Postal Service. Ms. Goding worked in Waterville and Fairfield before transferring to Farmington. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Goding for her commitment to the citizens of the State and wish her well in her future endeavors; (SLS 237)

The 98th Anniversary of the Armenian Genocide. On April 24, 1915, a campaign was launched by the Turkish regime of the Ottoman Empire against the Armenian people, resulting in the death of more than 1.5 million Armenians. Some of the survivors settled in the State of Maine, and their heirs have made significant contributions to the State. We join our citizens of Armenian heritage in remembering this event, and we express our deepest sympathy for the families of those who perished; (SLS 238)

The following students at Northern Penobscot Tech Region III Center, in Lincoln, who won the Gold Medal at the 2013 SkillsUSA Maine Championship: Eugene Niles, welding; Danae Thompson, medical terminology; Charles Libby, culinary arts; Ashley Gray, advertising design; and Eric Gelfuso, carpentry. The SkillsUSA Maine Championship is a state-level competition

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for high school and college students enrolled in trade, technical and skilled service instructional programs in which students from across the State demonstrate their talents and dedication to their fields of study. We congratulate these students on their achievements; (SLS 239)

Gregory Manocchio, of Mid-Maine Technical Center, in Waterville, who has won the Gold Medal in precision machining technology at the 2013 SkillsUSA Maine Championship. The SkillsUSA Maine Championship is a state-level competition for high school and college students enrolled in trade, technical and skilled service instructional programs in which students from across the State demonstrate their talents and dedication to their fields of study. We congratulate Gregory on his achievement; (SLS 240)

Cody Dux, of Region 9, School of Applied Technology, in Mexico, who won the Gold Medal at the 2013 SkillsUSA Maine Championship in firefighting. The SkillsUSA Maine Championship is a state-level competition for high school and college students enrolled in trade, technical and skilled service instructional programs in which students from across the State demonstrate their talents and dedication to their fields of study. We congratulate Cody on his achievement; (SLS 241)

The John Baptist Memorial High School Jazz Band, on its winning first place in Division III at the 2013 Maine High School Instrumental Jazz Festival. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the members of the band on this achievement; (SLS 242)

Sarah Freeman, of Bangor, who was named to the 2013 All-Maine Academic Team by the Maine Community College System. We congratulate Ms. Freeman on her receiving this honor; (SLS 243)

Jonathan Torsch, of Bangor, who was named to the 2013 All-Maine Academic Team by the Maine Community College System. We congratulate Mr. Torsch on his receiving this honor; (SLS 244)

Todd Chasteen, of Hampden, of Flik Dining Services at Eastern Maine Community College, who won top honors at the 2013 Maine Chef Challenge. We congratulate Mr. Chasteen on his winning this competition; (SLS 245)

The Bangor High School theater company, on its winning top honors at the Maine Drama Festival in the Class A division. We congratulate the members of the team on their achievement and send them our best wishes for future success; (SLS 246)

Parker Sanderson, of Bangor, a senior at Bangor High School, who is the recipient of the 2013 Travis Roy Award. The award was given to Parker, an outstanding top hockey player, for his accomplishments on the ice and in the classroom. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on his receiving this honor; (SLS 247)

Katherine Collette, of Rumford, a member of the Mountain Valley Girls Ski Team, who is the State Class C Giant Slalom Champion. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Katherine on this accomplishment; (SLS 248)

Richard Blanco, of Bethel, who was chosen by the Presidential Inaugural Committee to be the 2013 Inaugural Poet. Mr. Blanco is the 5th poet, and the youngest, to be invited to read at a presidential inauguration. Mr. Blanco was born in Cuba, his family moved to Spain and then immigrated to the United States. A civil engineer as well as a writer and teacher, he has a Master of Fine Arts in creative writing and has been awarded several prizes in poetry, including the 2006 PEN Open Book Award and the 1988 Agnes Lynch Starrett Poetry Prize. He taught at

Georgetown University, American University and Central Connecticut State University. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. Blanco on his being named the Inaugural Poet for the second inauguration of President Barack H. Obama; (SLS 249)

Peter Vigue, of Pittsfield, chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Cianbro Corporation, who is the 2013 recipient of the Norbert X. Dowd Award from the Bangor Region Chamber of Commerce. This award is considered a lifetime achievement award and honors those who over the course of their careers contribute to the community and economy of the region and who have shown leadership in those areas. We send our congratulations to Mr. Vigue on his receiving this honor; (SLS 250)

Jeffrey A. Pino, of South Berwick, a member of the South Berwick Fire Department. Mr. Pino was born in Charlestown, Massachusetts and eventually settled in South Berwick. He had also served on the Eliot Fire Department. He will be sadly missed and long remembered by his loving family and friends; (SLS 251) (memoriam)

The following members of the Lewiston High School Cheerleading Team, the Lewiston Devils, on their winning the 2013 Class A State Championship and the 2013 New England Interscholastic Spirit Championship: Kelly Nuzzo, Meagan Murphy, Taylor Hopkins, Sadie Dulack, Sage Physic, Olivia Bergeron, Erika Thibault, Andrea Bonin, Tia Cortez, Nadine Jones, Lily Fundis, Erin Morris, Tierra Safe, Cassie Regner, Abby Madden, Torey Reny, Taylor Pratt, Adreena Adams, Kara Barnies, Kirsty Beauchesne, Sierra Melanson and Alyssa Rousseau. This is the 3rd consecutive year the team has won the Class A State title and the 2nd consecutive year the team won the New England Interscholastic Spirit Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the members of the team on their achievements; (SLS 252)

The Lewiston High School Girls Hockey Team, on its winning the 2013 Eastern Class A Championship. We congratulate the Blue Devils on this achievement and send the members of the team our best wishes; (SLS 253)

Sarah Garfield, of York, who received an Outstanding Musicianship Award in trumpet in Division III Jazz Band at the 2013 Maine State High School Instrumental Jazz Festival. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Sarah on her receiving this honor; (SLS 254)

John Eckert, of Augusta, who is a recipient of a 2013 Governor's Award for Service and Volunteerism. Since 1987, this award has celebrated and recognized the exemplary volunteer work of Maine's most dedicated citizens and sought to inspire others. It is given on behalf of the Office of the Governor by the Maine Commission for Community Service. Mr. Eckert has been named Volunteer of the Year for his 2,000 hours of service with Spectrum Generations. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. Eckert on his receiving this award; (SLS 255)

June Messer, of Wells, who is a recipient of a 2013 Governor's Award for Service and Volunteerism. Since 1987, this award has celebrated and recognized the exemplary volunteer work of Maine's most dedicated citizens and sought to inspire others. The award program is managed on behalf of the Office of the Governor by the Maine Commission for Community Service. Ms. Messer has been named Volunteer of the Year for her service on the Board of Directors for Wells-Ogunquit Senior Needs Committee/Senior Center and lends a hand at the Senior

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Center. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Ms. Messer on her receiving this award; (SLS 256)

Elsie Pike Viles, longtime resident of Augusta, who was once proclaimed by Governor John E. Baldacci as "the first lady of Augusta and the State of Maine" for her philanthropy. Donations from the Elsie and William Viles Foundation built the healing garden at the Harold Alfond Center for Cancer Care and helped fund the new Alfond Center for Health, the proposed Lithgow Public Library expansion, the building of the Kennebec Valley YMCA, the stained-glass window restoration at South Parish Congregational Church and the auditorium at Cony High School. Mrs. Viles was given the 2007 Distinguished Service to Philanthropy Award from the New England Association for Healthcare Philanthropy. She was a generous benefactor through financial gifts and services to MaineGeneral Health and to many other central Maine nonprofit organizations. One of her abiding concerns was the Alzheimer's Care Center in Gardiner, which she supported for many years. She was also a founder of the Viles Arboretum in Augusta and Camp KV for Kids in Readfield. Mrs. Viles will be greatly missed and long remembered by her grateful community and the State and by those whose lives she touched; (SLS 257) (memoriam)

Mary Jane Bush, of Bucksport, on her retirement as health planning director of the Bucksport Bay Healthy Communities Coalition, operated by the Town of Bucksport. She became involved with the organization in 1997, and within 3 years was named director. While serving as director, she created a health plan for all ages within Bucksport in which to develop recommendations of ways to help the community be healthier. Ms. Bush was honored earlier this year with the Hans Honders Community Service Award by the Bucksport Chamber of Commerce. She served as executive director of Wellspring in Bangor and led its public health services for 15 years. Ms. Bush also served on a number of national committees devoted to substance abuse treatment. We extend our congratulations and appreciation to her for her efforts in improving the health of Penobscot County citizens; (SLS 258)

Garet Beal, of Beals, a senior at Jonesport-Beals High School, who was named Mr. Basketball for 2013 by the Maine Association of Basketball Coaches, the first time a Class D player has received this award since 1989. This honor is given to the top high school basketball player in the State, a senior player who best demonstrates basketball skills, makes a significant impact on his team, shows leadership and respect for the game and demonstrates good sportsmanship and citizenship, both on and off the court. Garet was also named the Gatorade Maine Boys Basketball Player of the Year. He set 2 school records this year by scoring 55 points in a single game and a career total of 1,686 points, records that were previously held by Garet's father, Lindell Beal. Garet helped lead his team to an undefeated regular season and a berth in the Eastern Maine Class D playoffs. We extend our congratulations to Garet on his receiving these honors and send him our best wishes; (SLS 259)

The members of the George Stevens Academy Jazz Band, on their outstanding performance at the 2013 Maine High School Instrumental Jazz Festival. The jazz combo, Lucy and the Diamonds, took first place among the Division III combos and David Reinke received an Outstanding Musicianship Award for piano in the same division. The jazz combo, Riff Raff, placed third in the "B" Multi Combo Division, and the following 4 individuals received Outstanding Musicianship Awards in the category: Alice Dillon, piano; Clover Slagel, vocals; Tate Yoder,

trombone; and So Young Im, flute. The jazz band placed third among the Division IV bands, and Peter Howell on Trombone and Lucy Jacob on vibes both received Outstanding Musicianship Awards in the same category. We send our congratulations and best wishes to all the members of the George Stevens Academy Jazz Band on their impressive musical achievements; (SLS 260)

Daniel Curts, of Ellsworth, for his outstanding season as a cross-country runner. Daniel is a junior at Ellsworth High School and was named the 2012-2013 Gatorade Maine Boys' Cross-country Runner of the Year, which recognizes outstanding athletic excellence, high standards of academic achievement and exemplary character. He was named the 2012 [I]Portland Press Herald/Maine Sunday Telegram[I] Maine Runner of the Year and won the Class B Individual State Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on his achievements; (SLS 261)

The City of Ellsworth, upon the celebration of its sescentennial in July, 2013. Originally inhabited by members of the Passamaquoddy and Penobscot tribes, the Union River area in Ellsworth was settled in 1763 by a party led by entrepreneurs Benjamin Milliken and Benjamin Joy, who intended to build dams and sawmills to exploit the area's timber and water power. In addition to their work in the lumber industry, early settlers in Ellsworth built sea vessels and shipped cargo. In the 1800s, people migrated to Hancock County for its plentiful fishing and land and, in 1869, Ellsworth was incorporated as a city. The County Seat of Hancock County and with a population of approximately 7,740, Ellsworth was Maine's fastest growing city from 2000-2010, with a growth rate of nearly 20 percent. Ellsworth is notable for its many historic buildings and points of interest and is busy from May until September with visitors from all over the United States and Canada. In addition, the city is a gateway for tourists visiting nearby Acadia National Park and Mount Desert Island and the Bar Harbor region. We join the good citizens of Ellsworth in celebrating the 250th anniversary of their city; (SLS 262)

Anthony J. Cincotta, Jr., of Berwick, who has been named the 2013 Berwick Citizen of the Year for his outstanding and dedicated service to the Town of Berwick. Mr. Cincotta has been instrumental in organizing the town's Memorial Day parade, in decorating the veterans' graves with flags and in participating in the Veterans' Day ceremony in the Town of Berwick. He has volunteered for many other civic organizations and is a past commander of American Legion Charles S. Hatch Post No. 79 in Berwick. We congratulate him on his receiving this well-deserved award; (SLS 263)

The 200th Anniversary of the establishment of Colby College, of Waterville, the 12th-oldest independent liberal arts college in the United States. On February 27, 1813, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts adopted a petition to establish the Maine Literary and Theological Institution, the 33rd chartered college in the country. After Maine separated from Massachusetts in 1820, the first Maine Legislature affirmed the Massachusetts charter. In 1821, it was renamed Waterville College and on January 27, 1867, the college was renamed Colby University in appreciation of Gardner Colby, who made a generous donation to the school. In 1871, Colby University was the first college in New England to accept female students. Colby University became Colby College in 1889. We extend our congratulations to the faculty, staff, students and alumni of this distinguished educational institution as they celebrate the bicentennial of Colby College; (SLS 264)

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Marc R. Mutty, of Freeport, Director of Public Affairs for the Roman Catholic Diocese of Portland, on the occasion of his retirement after many years of service and commitment to the Roman Catholic Church, to his community and to the State. Mr. Mutty has been Director of Public Affairs since 1990 and, from 1983 to 1990, he served as Director of Communications for the Diocese. He earned a bachelor of arts degree in philosophy and sociology with a minor in education from the University of New England. He also has taken graduate courses in psychology and political science at the University of Maine. He is a board member for Consumers for Affordable Health Care, is the immediate past president of Maine Equal Justice Partners and he served with distinction as cochair of the Commission to Study Poverty Among Working Parents. Mr. Mutty has long been involved with issues pertaining to economic and social justice and has focused on improving the economic security of low-income families with children. We send our appreciation to Mr. Mutty on his dedication to his profession and to public service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on his well-deserved retirement; (SLS 265)

Michael Kolster, of Brunswick, a Bowdoin College associate professor of art, who was chosen to receive a 2013 Guggenheim Fellowship for his work documenting American rivers affected by the country's industrial rise and decline, starting with the Androscoggin River. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Kolster on his receiving this honor; (SLS 266)

Lisa Park Laffin, of New Vineyard, who is a recipient of a 2013 Governor's Award for Service and Volunteerism. Since 1987, this award has celebrated and recognized the exemplary volunteer work of Maine's most dedicated citizens and sought to inspire others. The program is managed on behalf of the Office of the Governor by the Maine Commission for Community Service. Ms. Laffin was chosen for her volunteer administration work. She works tirelessly helping to unite people and resources by building collaborative relationships in her community. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Ms. Laffin on her receiving this award; (SLS 267)

Howard Calkins, of Hampden, a longtime member of the community. Mr. Calkins was born in Orono and grew up in Hampden. He served in the United States Army in the Pacific Theater during World War II. It was while he was stationed in Australia that he met his wife, Jessie. Together, they operated Calkins Farm Stand on Main Road South, Hampden beginning in the late 1940s. Mr. Calkins was an independent man who made his living as a commercial fisherman, poultryman and farmer. He will be greatly missed and long remembered as a loving father, grandfather and friend; (SLS 268) (memoriam)

Game Warden Sergeant Tim Place, of Naples, who is the recipient of the 2012 Supervisor of the Year Award from the Maine Warden Service. We send our appreciation to Sergeant Place for his dedication and hard work and congratulate him on his receiving this honor; (SLS 269)

Ariel Garber, of Harrison, a senior at Oxford Hills Comprehensive High School, who is a recipient of a 2013 Principal's Award for outstanding academic achievement and citizenship, sponsored by the Maine Principals' Association. We extend our congratulations to Ariel on her receiving this award; (SLS 270)

Farmington House of Pizza, on the occasion of its 25th Anniversary, March 18, 2013. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Farmington House of Pizza on this occasion; (SLS 271)

Laura Dunham, of Temple, a senior at Mt. Blue High School, who is a recipient of a 2013 Principal's Award for outstanding academic achievement and citizenship, sponsored by the Maine Principals' Association. We extend our congratulations to Laura on her receiving this award; (SLS 272)

Lawrence Wilbur, of Farmington, on the occasion of his 90th Birthday, May 20, 2013. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. Wilbur on this special occasion; (SLS 273)

Joshua Brady Daigle, of Jay, 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 Joshua on this achievement; (SLS 274)

Rob Taylor, of Jay, who has been named Teacher of the Year by the University of Maine Pulp and Paper Foundation. Mr. Taylor leads the Spruce Mountain High School and the Spruce Mountain Middle School Envirothon League and Lego League. He helps with the robotics team, is an assistant Boy Scout leader for the Wilton troop and leads the Boy Scouts of America Explorer Post 897. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. Taylor on his receiving this honor; (SLS 275)

Bouffard's Furniture, of Farmington, on its celebrating 50 years since its grand opening in 1963. Pete Bouffard, who owned a furniture and appliance store in Rumford, purchased the store from its previous owner, who had operated it for 35 years prior to Mr. Bouffard's purchase. Jim Bouffard, who now owns the business, began working at the store in 1971. We join the citizens of Farmington in congratulating Bouffard's Furniture on 50 years of doing business in the community; (SLS 276)

Holland Corson, of Salem Township, a senior at Mt. Abram High School, who is a recipient of a 2013 Principal's Award for outstanding academic achievement and citizenship, sponsored by the Maine Principals' Association. We extend our congratulations to Holland on her receiving this award; (SLS 277)

Lieutenant Niles Yeaton, of Strong, on the occasion of his retirement after 37 years of dedicated service with the Franklin County Sheriff's Office. We extend our appreciation to Lieutenant Yeaton for his commitment to the citizens of Franklin County and wish him well in his future endeavors; (SLS 278)

Corporal Albert Smith, of Wilton, on the occasion of his retirement after 38 years of dedicated service with the Franklin County Sheriff's Office. We extend our appreciation to Corporal Smith for his commitment to the citizens of Franklin County and wish him well in his future endeavors; (SLS 279)

Noah LePage, of New Sharon, who was a winner at the Spirit of Place photo and video competition sponsored by Maine Media Workshops + College. Noah won the Youth Grand Prize in the Video category. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Noah on this achievement; (SLS 280)

Charles Gardner, of Brewer, 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. For his Eagle Scout service project, Charles built a walkway at the University of Maine at Orono. We extend our congratulations to him on this achievement; (SLS 281)

Ryan Ward, of Brewer, 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. For his Eagle Scout service project, Ryan constructed a sizable bridge and public walkway in Sherwood

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Forest Park. We extend our congratulations to him on this achievement; (SLS 282)

Ryan Brown, of Brewer, 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. For his Eagle Scout service project, Ryan collected worn and tattered American flags from the region and ensured they were disposed of properly. We extend our congratulations to him on this achievement; (SLS 283)

Vera Steinbeck, of Ashland, on the occasion of her 100th birthday, May 13, 2013. Mrs. Steinbeck attended school in Masardis and Ashland. In 1959 she moved to Connecticut and worked at Pratt and Whitney for 20 years before returning to Masardis in 1989. She enjoys spending time with her family and friends and taking daily walks. Mrs. Steinbeck is active in the community, attending church and community functions and socializing. She has 4 children, 4 stepchildren, 6 grandchildren, 6 step-grandchildren, 2 great-grandchildren and several step-great-grandchildren. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mrs. Steinbeck on this very special occasion; (SLS 284)

The Honorable John L. Martin, of Eagle Lake, on the occasion of his being awarded the degree of Doctor of Humane Letters, [I]honoris causa[I], from the University of Maine at Fort Kent to honor his longtime dedicated public service and his advocacy for Maine's public universities. Born in Eagle Lake, Mr. Martin was first elected to the Legislature in 1964 and served an unprecedented 10 terms as Speaker of the Maine House of Representatives and later served in the Senate from 2000 to 2008 before returning to the House of Representatives. During his years in the Legislature, Mr. Martin became one of Maine's most influential public servants of the past 100 years. One of his most significant achievements was the establishment of the Allagash Wilderness Waterway in 1966, which established the Allagash River as America's first federally protected, state-managed wild river. Mr. Martin is an assistant professor of Political Science and Government at the University of Maine at Fort Kent. He has served in numerous capacities for local, state and national organizations and legislative associations and committees. We acknowledge Mr. Martin's dedication to his community and to the State, and we extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on his receiving this honor; (SLS 285)

The Cape Elizabeth High School Speech Team, on its winning the 2013 Maine Forensic Association State Championship. This is the fourth year in a row that the speech team has won this title. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the members of the team on this achievement; (SLS 286)

Taylor Knowles, of South Portland, who won an Outstanding Musicianship Award for trumpet in the "A" Multi Combo Division at the 2013 Maine High School Instrumental Jazz Festival. We send our congratulations and best wishes to Taylor on his receiving this honor; (SLS 287)

Chuck Key, of South Portland, who won an Outstanding Musicianship Award for trombone in a Division I Combo and an Outstanding Musicianship Award for trombone in a Division I Jazz Band at the 2013 Maine High School Instrumental Jazz Festival. We congratulate Chuck on his receiving these honors and send him our best wishes; (SLS 288)

South Portland High School's Jazz Combo 1 and Jazz Band, on their winning first place for Division I Combos and Division I Jazz Band at the 2013 Maine High School Instrumental Jazz

Festival. We congratulate the musicians on their remarkable achievement and we send them our best wishes; (SLS 289)

Alex Quinn, of South Portland, who won an Outstanding Musicianship Award for trumpet in a Division I Combo and an Outstanding Musicianship Award for trumpet in a Division I Jazz Band at the 2013 Maine High School Instrumental Jazz Festival. We congratulate Alex on his receiving these honors and send him our best wishes; (SLS 290)

Sarah Hudson, of Castine, on the occasion of her retirement after 24 years of dedicated service with Maine Maritime Academy. Ms. Hudson joined the staff at Maine Maritime Academy in 1989 as an Associate Professor. While at the Academy, she trained thousands of midshipmen and area volunteers in emergency medical care, for EMT certification and for United States Coast Guard licenses in ship medicine. She founded the Bagaduce Ambulance Corps in 1977, trained its members and oversaw its services until 2012. Ms. Hudson was named the Citizen of the Year by Governor John Baldacci in 2003 for her contributions to emergency medical services and for the number of lives she has saved. She teaches CPR and first aid to elementary school children, fire departments and EMS response teams. She also served on the American Heart Association regional board for 25 years. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Hudson for her commitment to the citizens of the State and wish her well in her future endeavors; (SLS 291)

Ali Clair, of China, who was crowned Miss Maine USA 2013 at the Samoset Resort in Rockport. Ms. Clair graduated cum laude from the University of Maine in 2011. A health fitness enthusiast, she is currently researching a master's degree program in the health and fitness management field. Ms. Clair regularly volunteers for Special Olympics and Tri for a Cure. We congratulate Ms. Clair on her being crowned Miss Maine USA 2013 and send her our best wishes; (SLS 292)

Sheriff William F. Clark, of Ellsworth, who is the recipient of the 2013 Citizen of the Year Award from the Ellsworth Area Chamber of Commerce. The award is given to an outstanding individual who embodies community spirit through volunteerism, civic involvement and advocacy. Sheriff Clark has been with the Hancock County Sheriff's Department for more than 30 years. He has volunteered as a Little League coach, served as president of several organizations, including the Ellsworth Snowmobile Club, Woodbine Cemetery and the Open Door Recovery Center and has been a very active volunteer for the Sheriff's Cup Basketball Tournament, the Christmas Is for Kids project and Winter Carnival. Besides his work with the Open Door Recovery Center, he has been instrumental in many substance abuse education programs and treatment facilities, including the county's D.A.R.E. (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) program and the Hancock County Drug Task Force. We extend our appreciation to Sheriff Clark for his commitment to the citizens of the State and congratulate him on his receiving this award; (SLS 293)

Roscoe "Lester" Seeley, of Dennysville, and lifetime resident of Washington County and former sheriff's deputy of Washington County. Upon graduation from Dennysville High School in 1956, Mr. Seeley worked at Woodland Mill and Hallowell's Saw Mill. He joined the Washington County Sheriff's Office in 1968, where he spent 45 years, beginning as a reserve deputy, then serving as patrol deputy and working his way up to the positions of sergeant and then sheriff's deputy, before retiring in February 2013. In addition to his dedicated service with the sheriff's office, Mr. Seeley served as an animal control officer and marine patrol officer. He had been honored with numerous awards over the



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years in recognition of his commitment to law enforcement, including being appointed as "Honorary Captain" of the Maine State Police, one of only 2 such appointments in Washington County. Mr. Seeley was a loving father of one son and 4 daughters and a beloved grandfather and great-grandfather. He will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving family, his friends and the community he served; (SLS 294) (memoriam)

Brenna Trefethen, of Wells, a senior at Wells High School, who is the recipient of a Daughters of the American Revolution Good Citizen Award for her dependability, leadership, service and patriotism. We extend our congratulations to Brenna on her receiving this award; (SLS 295)

Laura Benedict, of Hallowell, owner of the Red Barn Restaurant in Augusta, who was the recipient of the 2013 Outstanding Citizen Award from Le Club Calumet for her dedicated service to the community. Le Club Calumet is one of the foremost civic organizations in the Augusta area and in the State and the Outstanding Citizen Award is given to a nonmember of Le Club Calumet for their contributions to the community. Ms. Benedict is on the United Way of Kennebec Valley board of directors and is closely involved with dozens of nonprofit organizations, such as Special Olympics, the Augusta Food Bank, animal shelters, the Colonial Theatre and the Salvation Army Toy Run. She is a former recipient of the Spirit of America Award, given to honor community service. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Ms. Benedict on her receiving the 2013 Outstanding Citizen Award from Le Club Calumet; (SLS 296)

Jane Woodhead Jawor, of Lewiston, who has been inducted into the Auburn-Lewiston Sports Hall of Fame. Ms. Jawor graduated from Lewiston High School in 1986 and graduated from the University of Tennessee. She set state track records while going undefeated in the javelin throw, discus throw and shot put. She was an All-American thrower twice in college and won the Nike Indoor Nationals in shot put. She also won in the USA Junior National Outdoor Track and Field Championships and was a member of the Junior Team in Europe and the Olympic Festival team. Ms. Jawor coached track and field at Lewiston High School and has also been an assistant coach at Bates College. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Jawor on her induction into the Hall of Fame; (SLS 297)

Val Brown Ackley, of Lewiston, who has been inducted into the Auburn-Lewiston Sports Hall of Fame. Ms. Ackley graduated from Edward Little High School in 1992 and went on to play basketball at Assumption College. She returned to the State to revitalize the Oxford Hills High School girls' basketball program. She coached Edward Little High School to a pair of Western A finals appearances. Ms. Ackley was Miss Maine Basketball in 1992 and was the Maine Player of the Year in both soccer and basketball. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Ackley on her induction into the Hall of Fame; (SLS 298)

Anita Murphy, of Lewiston, who has been inducted into the Auburn-Lewiston Sports Hall of Fame. Ms. Murphy has been a longtime Lewiston High School tennis coach and has maintained a high profile in the community as a player and coach. She has been active with the Hall of Fame for decades. Ms. Murphy has been coaching tennis at Lewiston High School since 1979. Her teams have won 12 class A state titles and 5 second-place finishes. She also coached the Lewiston Smashers to 4 USTA state and New England titles and has been recognized with 10 President's Awards by the Auburn-Lewiston Sports Hall of Fame.

We extend our congratulations to Ms. Murphy on her induction into the Hall of Fame; (SLS 299)

Marvin Druker, of Lewiston, Professor of Public Affairs at University of Southern Maine Lewiston-Auburn College, on the occasion of his retirement. A founding member of the faculty of University of Southern Maine Lewiston-Auburn College, where he was hired in 1988, Dr. Druker teaches classes on public administration, research and statistics and also on organizational change and development. He has served as President of the Maine Chapter of the American Society for Public Administration. Dr. Druker has twice served as Interim Dean and began the work that resulted in 2 substantial grants for the school. We send him our appreciation for his many years of commitment to his profession, to the university system and to the State. We send him our congratulations and best wishes on his retirement; (SLS 300)

John Braley, of Damariscotta, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 213, 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 service project, John built a 110-foot boardwalk over a section of trail that leads to Little Pond. We extend our congratulations to him on this achievement; (SLS 301)

Walter and Blanche Parker, of Lisbon Falls, on the occasion of their 70th Wedding Anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Parker were married on March 23, 1943 at the Parker home in Durham. They are the parents of 4 children and have 10 grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren and 5 great-great-grandchildren. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Parker on this special anniversary; (SLS 302)

Alfred and Dorothy Smith, of Lisbon Falls, as they celebrate their 50th Wedding Anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Smith were married in Lisbon by the Reverend Gerry Plummer on January 26, 1963. They are the parents of 3 daughters and have 9 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Smith on their Golden Wedding Anniversary; (SLS 303)

Georgia F. Randall, of Belfast, on the occasion of her 100th birthday, May 21, 2013. Mrs. Randall graduated from Crosby High School and studied nursing at Waldo County General Hospital School of Nursing, becoming a registered nurse in 1934. She enlisted in the United States Army, serving as a First Lieutenant during World War II in the Army Nurse Corps in Australia and New Guinea. Following her service in the United States Army, Mrs. Randall worked as a registered nurse and night supervisor of nurses at the Knox County General Hospital in Rockland and at the Camden Community Hospital until her retirement in 1982. In 2011, she was honored as a Paul Harris Fellow by Rotary International in recognition of her service to the community. She is a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution and of the First Church in Belfast. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mrs. Randall on the centennial celebration of her life; (SLS 304)

The Ellsworth American, which is the recipient of the 2013 Top Drawer Award from the Ellsworth Area Chamber of Commerce. The award is given annually to a member that has made a substantial contribution to the growth, development and improvement of the region. Started in 1851 under the masthead [I]The Ellsworth Herald, The Ellsworth American[/I] is the longest running weekly newspaper in Hancock County and the second oldest in Maine. The paper's current management helped to

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open a new, modern facility at One Printing House Square in downtown Ellsworth in 1996. It became the first weekly paper in New England to go "computer to plate" in February 2006 and in 2009, paid digital subscriptions were first offered and a free community website was launched. The paper has received numerous state, regional and national print awards in recognition for editorial content, layout and photography. We extend our congratulations to [I]The Ellsworth American[/I] on its receiving this award; (SLS 305)

Norm Gagne, of Auburn, who has been inducted into the Auburn-Lewiston Sports Hall of Fame. Mr. Gagne graduated from Edward Little High School in 1963 and was a 3-sport athlete. He has been a longtime hockey coach in Maine, coaching at Waterville, Lewiston, Gorham and now Scarborough. He ranks third among all high school hockey coaches in the nation for the most wins and has coached 6 state championship teams. He was named the Northern New England Coach of the Year 3 times and was a nominee for the American Hockey Coaches Association's John Mariucci Award. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Gagne on his induction into the Hall of Fame; (SLS 306)

Anna Lietz, of South Berwick, a senior at Marshwood High School, who is the recipient of a Daughters of the American Revolution Good Citizen Award for her dependability, leadership, service and patriotism. We extend our congratulations to Anna on her receiving this award; (SLS 307)

Benjamin Gauthier, of York, a senior at York High School, who is the recipient of a Daughters of the American Revolution Good Citizen Award for his dependability, leadership, service and patriotism. We extend our congratulations to Benjamin on his receiving this award; (SLS 308)

Eileen Macomber, of Kittery, a senior at Robert W. Traip Academy, who is the recipient of a Daughters of the American Revolution Good Citizen Award for her dependability, leadership, service and patriotism. We extend our congratulations to Eileen on her receiving this award; (SLS 309)

Bethanie L. Brown, of Waterville, a senior at Waterville Senior High School, who is a recipient of a 2013 Principal's Award for outstanding academic achievement and citizenship, sponsored by the Maine Principals' Association. We extend our congratulations to Bethanie on her receiving this award; (SLS 310)

Molly Schassberger, of Winslow, a senior at Winslow High School, who is the recipient of the 2013 Principal's Award for outstanding academic achievement and citizenship, sponsored by the Maine Principals' Association. We extend our congratulations to Molly on her receiving this award; (SLS 311)

Robert C. Allen, of Veazie, a financial advisor for UBS Financial Services in Bangor, who was ranked at the top of [I]Barron's Top 1,000 Financial Advisors by state list. This list is released annually to recognize financial advisors who have risen to the top of their industry and who represent the 1,000 most influential advisors by state. With more than 25 years of experience in the financial services industry, Mr. Allen is responsible for managing client investment portfolios. This is the second consecutive year Mr. Allen has ranked number one. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. Allen on his receiving this honor; (SLS 312)

Jean M. Black, of Bangor, a psychiatric social worker for many years. Ms. Black was born in Bangor and attended St. Mary's Catholic School and graduated from John Bapst Memorial High School in 1963. She returned to school later in life to earn a

bachelor's degree in social work from the University of Maine and had completed much of her course work toward a master's degree in social work at Hutchinson Center. She was a dedicated and accomplished professional, working as a psychiatric social worker at Dorothea Dix Psychiatric Center for many years before retiring from the State and continuing her career at Mid-Coast Mental Health Center in Belfast. Ms. Black was a lifelong Democrat and maintained an avid interest in politics and current events. She will be sadly missed and long remembered by her loving family and many friends; (SLS 313) (memoriam)

Courtney Fowler, of Pittsfield, a senior at Maine Central Institute, who is the recipient of the 2013 Principal's Award for outstanding academic achievement and citizenship, sponsored by the Maine Principals' Association. We extend our congratulations to Courtney on her receiving this award; (SLS 314)

The Honorable Nancy Randall Clark, of Freeport, on the celebration of her 75th birthday. A highly regarded member of the greater Freeport community and leader in Maine politics, Nancy is known for her zest for life and deep commitment to service. She was the first woman to ever be elected Senate Majority Leader in Maine. Nancy was elected to the Legislature in 1973 and served 3 terms in the House of Representatives. She was elected to the Senate in 1979, where she served 7 terms, one term as Assistant Senate Majority Leader and 3 terms as Senate Majority Leader. Nancy was a teacher for 40 years. She taught business education in Scarborough and then had a long career teaching in the Freeport school system. She was an involved member of the Maine Teachers Association, where she served as president and was a candidate for national leadership. Nancy has been a member with the Order of the Eastern Star for 39 years and is currently an Associate Matron. She served as Worthy Matron and Grand Electa. She has been a grange member for more than 4 decades and serves on the Executive Committee of the Maine State Grange, playing a vital role on the Legislative Committee. She is the current Master of Harraseeket Grange #9. Nancy served twice as president of the Cumberland County Retired Educators Association and remains a member. She has been a member of the board of the Maine State Society for the Protection of Animals for 37 years and a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution for 39 years. She has been a member of the South Freeport Congregational Church for almost 60 years and a member of the Freeport Woman's Club for 11 years, serving as its president twice and vice president twice. Nancy is a member of the Freeport Elders Association and is an active member of the Board of Directors of Freeport Community Services. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Nancy on this very special occasion; (SLS 315)

June W. Leighton, of Mount Vernon, who was named the 2013 Mount Vernon Citizen of the Year for her dedication to the town. Ms. Leighton is a founding member of Mount Vernon Rescue and has provided basic and intermediate EMT services for more than 33 years. She has also held the Mount Vernon Rescue office of Secretary-Treasurer for 33 years. We send Ms. Leighton our appreciation for her many years of dedicated service to her community and congratulate her on her receiving this distinguished award; (SLS 316)

Amy Miller, of South Berwick, who is the recipient of a 2013 Real Heroes Award for International Service from the American Red Cross of Maine, Southern Maine Chapter, for her assistance to the Eben Ezer School in Milot, Haiti. After a visit to Haiti in 2007 with her family and witnessing the poverty there, Ms. Miller

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began writing articles, building area partnerships to collect clothing and medical supplies, raising funds and creating student sponsorships in support of the Eben Ezer School in Milot, Haiti. After the disastrous Haitian earthquake in 2010, she arranged for a container of supplies, including a diesel generator, to be shipped to the school. She raised \$8,500 for supplies used to teach trades, such as woodworking, welding and sewing. Today the Eben Ezer School, which began as a two-room cinderblock school, is a two-story, well equipped resource for the entire town. We congratulate Ms. Miller on her receiving this well-deserved honor; (SLS 317)

The Medomak Middle School Science Olympiad Team, of Waldoboro, on winning the 2013 Maine Division B Science Olympiad tournament. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the members of the team on this achievement; (SLS 318)

Ann Lee Hussey, of South Berwick, who is one of 12 Rotary International members honored at the White House as a Champion of Change. Ms. Hussey, a Rotarian and polio survivor, spent the last 12 years leading teams of volunteers to developing countries to immunize children against polio. The Champions of Change program was created to allow the White House to feature groups of Americans who are doing extraordinary things to empower and inspire members of their communities. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Hussey on her remarkable achievements and send her our best wishes; (SLS 319)

Dr. Richard W. Cost, currently of Middleborough, Massachusetts, former president of the University of Maine at Fort Kent, who has been named President Emeritus for his noteworthy accomplishments as president. Dr. Cost served as president of the University of Maine at Fort Kent from 2002 to 2010, the longest tenure of any president in a quarter of a century. His service was marked by greatly strengthened community relations and enhanced visibility and an expanded role of the University. In 2006, the University of Maine at Fort Kent was selected as a Best Northeastern College by [I]The Princeton Review[/I] and in 2009 and 2010 [I]U.S. News and World Report[/I] named it as a Best College in the North. Among Dr. Cost's many achievements are the celebration of the Acadian and Franco-American heritage in the St. John Valley and the revival of the University of Maine at Fort Kent Foundation. We send Dr. Cost our appreciation for his years of dedicated service to the University of Maine at Fort Kent and to the State. We congratulate him on his being named President Emeritus; (SLS 320)

Dr. Carol Eckert, of Whitefield, on the occasion of her retirement after 31 years of dedicated service to the patients of the Sheepscot Valley Health Center. Dr. Eckert is a graduate of Rutgers University and the University of New England Medical School, as well as a recipient of a graduate certificate in public health. She is a member of the American Academy of Family Physicians and the Maine Public Health Association and has served on the Maine Board of Pesticides Control. We send Dr. Eckert our appreciation for her years of commitment to her profession, to the community and to the State. We congratulate her on her retirement and send her our best wishes; (SLS 321)

The late Leon Albert Guimond, of Frenchville, on his posthumous induction into the Franco-American Hall of Fame. Mr. Guimond was a proud veteran of the Korean War and flew the American flag at all times in honor of our Nation's heroes. During his life, Mr. Guimond became an expert genealogical researcher and amassed an immense collection of books,

photographs, notes, maps and related Franco-American genealogical ephemera. He began studying genealogy when he and his family lived in Connecticut, where he became a founding member and director of the French-Canadian Genealogical Society of Connecticut. When he and his family returned to live in northern Maine, his interest accelerated and his genealogical collection grew. With the support of the Fort Kent Historical Society and the Acadian Archives at the University of Maine at Fort Kent, the results of Mr. Guimond's years of work are now housed at the university for everyone's benefit. We recognize Mr. Guimond's service to his community and to the State, and we honor his memory on the occasion of his induction into the Franco-American Hall of Fame; (SLS 322)

The late Adolphe J. Gingras, M.D., of Augusta, on his posthumous induction into the Franco-American Hall of Fame. Dr. Gingras was known to every French-Canadian family and to every other family in Augusta as a leader in medicine and in public health. As a general practitioner who began his practice in 1923, and for many years as an obstetrician, he served Augusta's growing population and delivered over 9,000 babies, including 2 of his own. He served on the Augusta Board of Health and the Augusta Water District, and in 1933 he served as the 12th President of Le Club Calumet. Dr. Gingras was a World War I veteran, serving in the Army Medical Corps. We recognize Dr. Gingras's service to his community and to the State, and we honor his memory on the occasion of his induction into the Franco-American Hall of Fame; (SLS 323)

The late Napoleon "Paul" Gingras, M.D., of Augusta, on his posthumous induction into the Franco-American Hall of Fame. Dr. Gingras practiced general medicine and established the Anesthesiology Department at Augusta General Hospital. He was a certified flight surgeon and saw active duty during World War II and the Korean War. He continued his service in the Maine Air National Guard and retired as a Brigadier General. Dr. Gingras was a devoted member of St. Augustine's Parish and of the Knights of Columbus. He was made a Knight of St. Gregory the Great by His Holiness, Pope Paul VI, the highest honorary rank bestowed on a lay Catholic. We recognize Dr. Gingras's service to his community and to the State, and we honor his memory on the occasion of his induction into the Franco-American Hall of Fame; (SLS 324)

The late Honorable Louis-Philippe Gagne, of Lewiston, on his posthumous induction into the Franco-American Hall of Fame. Mr. Gagne was born in Quebec City and raised in an orphanage and entered a seminary as the protegee of Cardinal Begin. He began a career as a journalist at the age of 18, serving 2 years as a sports editor in Quebec City. Mr. Gagne and his wife moved to Lewiston in 1922, where he worked for 38 years for the French-language newspaper, [I]Le Messager[/I], as editor and sports writer. He founded the first American snowshoe club, Le Montagnard. During the early days of radio, Mr. Gagne hosted live broadcasts and had an influential French-language editorial program. Mr. Gagne also served on the school board, as an alderman and for 2 terms as the Mayor of Lewiston. He went on to become an Androscoggin County Commissioner. We recognize Mr. Gagne's service to his community and to the State and we honor his memory on the occasion of his induction into the Franco-American Hall of Fame; (SLS 325)

The late Camille L. Bolduc, of Biddeford, on his posthumous induction into the Franco-American Hall of Fame. Mr. Bolduc was born in Quebec and educated in schools in both Canada and Biddeford, eventually graduating from Biddeford High School

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Adult Education. During World War II, Mr. Bolduc served 3 years with the Royal Canadian Air Force. He moved to Biddeford in 1953 and worked as an electrician and later owned and operated Camille's Electric in Biddeford for 25 years. Mr. Bolduc was a member and past Master of the Biddeford Masonic Lodge, Dunlop Lodge No. 47, a member of the Biddeford Historical Society and a member of the Franco-American Genealogical Society in Biddeford. An American citizen since 1958, Mr. Bolduc was also proud of his French heritage and was an early founder of the renowned Franco-American festival, La Kermesse, in Biddeford. We acknowledge Mr. Bolduc's service to his community and to the State, and we honor his memory on the occasion of his induction into the Franco-American Hall of Fame; (SLS 326)

Jasmine and Christina Smedberg, of Waterville, 7th grade students at Waterville Junior High School, who received the Hardy Girls Healthy Women Girls Rock Awards 2013 Community Organizing Award for their anti-bullying efforts. We congratulate Jasmine and Christina on their receiving this well-deserved award; (SLS 327)

The York Middle School Odyssey of the Mind Team, which won first place in the E-mail Must Go Through, Division I Challenge. We congratulate the team members on their achievement and send them our best wishes; (SLS 328)

Sarah Diment, of Cape Neddick, who is the recipient of a 2013 Real Heroes Award for Community Service from the American Red Cross of Maine, Southern Maine Chapter, for her coordination of business owners and the Ogunquit Chamber of Commerce in bringing families affected by Hurricane Sandy to area hotels for a five-day respite with free accommodations, meals, entertainment and more. The program, known as Operation Ogunquit, inspired assistance from more than 25 businesses, other local organizations, schools and individuals. We congratulate Ms. Diment on her receiving this well-deserved honor; (SLS 329)

Eliza Hazen, of York, a senior at Berwick Academy, for her winning the 2013 Congressional Art Competition within the First Congressional District with her painting [I]Wiggly Bridge in the Rain - York, Maine[I]. Winning students are chosen by the Maine Arts Commission and are flown to Washington, D.C. to participate in an opening ceremony. Eliza's work will be on display at the United States Capitol for one year. We congratulate Eliza on her accomplishment and on her receiving this honor, and send her our best wishes; (SLS 330)

Jamie Miller, of Ellsworth, 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. For his Eagle Scout service project, Jamie constructed 4 wooden flag disposal boxes and placed them throughout Ellsworth. Members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars collect the worn United States flags for proper disposal. We extend our congratulations to Jamie on this achievement; (SLS 331)

Kristopher Kelley, of Jonesport, who has been named Salutatorian of the 2013 graduating class of Jonesport-Beals High School. Kristopher has distinguished himself academically and as a leader throughout his high school career. He is a member of the National Honor Society, is the Student Council president, attended the National Youth Leadership Forum on National Security and has been active with many extracurricular activities. He has also distinguished himself by having perfect attendance

since kindergarten. We extend our congratulations to Kristopher for his outstanding achievement and wish him continued success in his future endeavors; (SLS 332)

Lauren Ramsey, of Addison, who has been named Salutatorian of the 2013 graduating class of Narraguagus High School. Lauren has distinguished herself academically and as a leader throughout her high school career. She has been class president all 4 years of high school and is president of the National Honor Society. She received the Golden Apple Award and numerous individual class awards. Lauren has been active with many sports and extracurricular activities, including Math Team, French Club, Outdoor Club and the student mentor program. We extend our congratulations to Lauren for her outstanding achievement and wish her continued success in her future endeavors; (SLS 333)

Robbi Carver, of Beals, who has been named Valedictorian of the 2013 graduating class of Jonesport-Beals High School. Robbi has distinguished herself academically and as a leader throughout her high school career. She is a member of the National Honor Society, is the senior class president and is a recipient of a 2013 Principal's Award from the Maine Principals' Association. She has received many academic awards and has served as class president and class treasurer and as a student council representative. Robbi has also been active in numerous extracurricular activities. We extend our congratulations to Robbi for her outstanding achievement and wish her continued success in her future endeavors; (SLS 334)

Lindsey Collora, of Columbia, who has been named Valedictorian of the 2013 graduating class of Narraguagus High School. Lindsey has distinguished herself academically and as a leader throughout her high school career. She has been vice-president of the National Honor Society, a class officer all 4 years of high school and a 3-year member of the Downeast Athletic Conference Student Leadership Advisory Panel. Lindsey received the Golden Apple Award from the Maine Education Association, a 2013 Principal's Award from the Maine Principals' Association, the Phi Beta Kappa Academic Achievement Award from the Phi Beta Kappa Association of Maine and numerous individual class awards. She has been active in many sports and extracurricular activities. We extend our congratulations to Lindsey for her outstanding achievements and wish her continued success in her future endeavors; (SLS 335)

Lisbon Area Christian Outreach, which has been selected to receive the 2013 Maine Spirit of America Tribute, which honors the efforts of volunteers in more than 30 cities and towns in Maine. In 2012, Lisbon Area Christian Outreach, which serves the residents of Lisbon, Durham and Bowdoin, helped to feed nearly 6,000 adults and 2,700 children through its food pantry, provided funds to help heat homes and provided clothing to families in need. We congratulate the organization on its receiving this well-deserved tribute; (SLS 336)

Emily Morse, of Machias, who has been named Salutatorian of the 2013 graduating class of Machias Memorial High School. Emily has achieved high academic success through hard work and dedication to her studies throughout her high school career. She has consistently been named to the honor roll, is a member of the National Honor Society, was a Student of the Quarter recipient and was named an AP scholar and a member of the Phi Beta Kappa society in her junior year. We extend our congratulations to Emily for her outstanding achievement and wish her continued success in her future endeavors; (SLS 337)

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Catherine "Katie" Morse, of Machias, for being named Valedictorian of the 2013 graduating class of Machias Memorial High School. Through hard work and continued dedication to her studies throughout her high school career, Katie has consistently been named to the honor roll and has received numerous classroom awards for academic excellence. She is the recipient of a 2013 Maine Principal's Award, a member of the National Honor Society, a Student of the Quarter recipient and was named an AP scholar in her junior year. We extend our congratulations to Katie for her outstanding achievement and wish her continued success in her future endeavors; (SLS 338)

Jake Hoops, of Baileyville, who has been named Salutatorian of the 2013 graduating class of Woodland Junior-Senior High School. Jake has distinguished himself academically by consistently maintaining a high honors average throughout his high school career. He has served as a student council member for 3 years, has been a member of the Tri-M Music Honor Society and has been a member of the math team for 3 years. We extend our congratulations to Jake for his outstanding achievement and wish him continued success in his future endeavors; (SLS 339)

Clarence "Clay" Peter White III, of Brookton, who has been named Valedictorian of the 2013 graduating class of Woodland Junior-Senior High School. Clay has distinguished himself academically by maintaining a high honors average throughout his high school career. He is the recipient of the Bausch and Lomb Honorary Science Award, the Phi Beta Kappa Certificate of Recognition and the Dartmouth Alumni Book Club Award. He has received the Overall Achievement award in chemistry, honors English and marine biology. He is also a recipient of a 2013 Principal's Award from the Maine Principals' Association and is a National Merit Scholarship winner. We extend our congratulations to Clay for his outstanding achievement and wish him continued success in his future endeavors; (SLS 340)

Martha Nutting Roberts, of Alfred, on the celebration of her 100th birthday, May 19, 2013. Mrs. Roberts and her husband, Eugene, raised 3 children. Mrs. Roberts was a substitute teacher and was a volunteer librarian at the Parson's Memorial Library in Alfred. She remains active in the Alfred community. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mrs. Roberts on this very special occasion; (SLS 341)

Douglas R. Oliver, of Farmington, on the occasion of his 50th anniversary with the Farmington Fire Department. Mr. Oliver became a member of the Farmington Fire Department on May 7, 1963. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Oliver for his dedication to the citizens of Farmington and congratulate him on this very special occasion; (SLS 342)

Gregory Roux, of Farmington, on his retirement after 20 years with the Farmington Fire Department. We thank Mr. Roux for his commitment to the citizens of Farmington and wish him well in his retirement; (SLS 343)

Richard Chabot, of Farmington, on his retirement after 25 years of dedicated service with the Farmington Fire Department. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Chabot for his commitment to the citizens of Farmington and wish him well in his retirement; (SLS 344)

Brianna Hall, of Rangeley, a junior at Rangeley Lakes Regional School, on her winning the 2013 Congressional Art Competition within the Second Congressional District. Winning students are chosen by the Maine Arts Commission and are flown to Washington, D.C. to participate in an opening ceremony. Brianna's work will be on display at the United States Capitol for

one year. We congratulate Brianna on her accomplishment and on her receiving this honor, and send her our best wishes; (SLS 345)

The top graduating students of the 2013 graduating class of Mt. Blue High School, in Farmington: Ryan Flanagan, Makenzie Thompson, Amy Hilton, Ruth Leopold, Abigail Lochala, Alyssa Williams, Mackenzie Conlogue, Andrew Ferrari, Laura Dunham, Erika Gray, Kristen Brown, Maryann Norton and Mali-Agat Obomsawin. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the students on their achievements; (SLS 346)

Dutch Treat, in Wilton, on its 50th anniversary of serving ice-cream treats to the community. Incorporated on May 24, 1963, the business is well known for its quaint windmill. We congratulate Dutch Treat and send our best wishes for continued success; (SLS 347)

Robert and Marge Sanborn, of Brownfield, on the occasion of their 60th Wedding Anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Sanborn were married on June 28, 1953. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this special anniversary; (SLS 348)

Cathy Grigsby, of Bridgton, who has been named the 2013 Maine Art Education Association's Elementary Art Teacher of the Year. Ms. Grigsby is a teacher at Stevens Brook Elementary School and believes that everyone has the ability to either create or appreciate art. She has spent nearly 3 decades helping young children tap into the world of art. Ms. Grigsby has had more than 10 articles published in [I]Arts and Activities [I] magazine and works with the Bridgton Art Guild and Gallery 302. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Grigsby on her receiving this honor; (SLS 349)

Maggie Whittemore, of Paris, who has been chosen to represent Maine as the Distinguished Young Woman of Maine for 2013. The Maine competition is part of Distinguished Young Women, a national program that promotes and rewards talented young women throughout the United States. As the Distinguished Young Woman of Maine, Maggie will serve as a role model for young people by spreading the Distinguished Young Women's message of "Be Your Best Self." The program focuses on five principles: Be Healthy, Be Involved, Be Studious, Be Ambitious and Be Responsible. Maggie will be traveling to Mobile, Alabama along with 49 other state representatives to participate in personal development activities and community service projects before competing for the opportunity to become the Distinguished Young Woman of America for 2013. We extend our congratulations to Maggie on her earning this title and wish her luck in Mobile; (SLS 350)

Devin Bussell, of St. Albans, a senior at Nokomis Regional High School, who is a recipient of a 2013 Principal's Award for outstanding academic achievement and citizenship, sponsored by the Maine Principals' Association. We extend our congratulations to Devin on his receiving this award; (SLS 351)

Harold Chase, of Dover-Foxcroft, on the occasion of his retirement after 30 years of service as a salesman with Rowell's Garage. Prior to working for Rowell's Garage, Mr. Chase worked as a life insurance salesman for 13 years. During his career, he sold many cars and made many friends. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. Chase on his well-deserved retirement; (SLS 352)

Peter Ackerman, of Augusta, a junior at Cony High School, who won 3rd prize in the high school category in the national 2013 C-SPAN StudentCam competition. Peter's documentary, [I]College: America's Gateway,[I] was one of 1,893 films that were received in this year's competition. We extend our

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congratulations and best wishes to Peter on his receiving this honor; (SLS 353)

Gabrielle Perkins, of Oakland, a senior at Messalonskee High School, who is the only American accepted this year into the Vaganova Ballet Academy in St. Petersburg, Russia, one of the world's most prestigious ballet academies. We extend our congratulations to Gabrielle on her achievement and send her our best wishes; (SLS 354)

Robert Raymond Dermody, of Shapleigh, 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 service project, Robert refurbished 12 park benches and organized moving them from Shapleigh Commons to the hiking trails and scenic lookouts of the town's 300-acre Williams property. We extend our congratulations to him on this achievement; (SLS 355)

Comstock Woodlands, a logging and road construction services company headquartered in Hampden and based on the Golden Road in Comstock Township, on its being named the Forest Resources Association's National Outstanding Logger for 2013. Comstock Woodlands employs nearly 40 loggers, all of whom are certified by Maine's Certified Logging Professional program. We extend our congratulations to Comstock Woodlands on its receiving this well-deserved honor; (SLS 356)

Phil and Brenda Badger, of Hampden, who share the honor of having been named the 2013 Hampden Business Association Businessperson of the Year for their significant contributions to the quality of life in Hampden. The Badgers, who are the owners of Hampden Electrical, which was founded in 1994, have donated their services to many Hampden community projects. We extend our congratulations to Phil and Brenda Badger on their receiving this honor and send them our best wishes; (SLS 357)

Robert Jones, of South Berwick, who has been named Salutatorian of the 2013 graduating class of Marshwood High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Robert on this achievement; (SLS 358)

Eileen Macomber, of Kittery, who has been named Valedictorian of the 2013 graduating class of Traip Academy. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Eileen on this achievement; (SLS 359)

Andrew Purgiel, of South Berwick, who has been named Valedictorian of the 2013 graduating class of Marshwood High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Andrew on this achievement; (SLS 360)

Jessica Batchelder, of Kittery, who has been named Salutatorian of the 2013 graduating class of Traip Academy. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Jessica on this achievement; (SLS 361)

The following members of the Marshwood Girls Grade 5/6 Travel Basketball Team, who won the championship in 5 tournaments: Jillian Land, Leah Glidden, Natalie Herbold, Fiona Scharff, Nathalie Clavette, Courtney Thim, Lily Clough, Irean Nashwinter, Makenna Janes, Jordyn Beers, Grace Verrill, Alicia Richards, Noelle Barrett, assistant coach John Watson and coach Bob Fontaine. We congratulate the team on this achievement; (SLS 362)

Cody Furbursh, of South Berwick, a senior at Marshwood High School, who is a recipient of a 2013 Principal's Award for outstanding academic achievement and citizenship, sponsored by the Maine Principals' Association. We extend our congratulations to Cody on his receiving this award; (SLS 363)

The Honorable Ernest C. Greenlaw, of South Portland, a former longtime member of the House of Representatives. Mr. Greenlaw was born in Hollis and grew up in South Portland. He enlisted in the United States Navy during World War II and, because of his welding skills, bypassed basic training. He had a nineteen-month tour of duty in Oran, Algeria and was headed for the Pacific when the war ended. Mr. Greenlaw worked for the South Portland Fire Department for 23 years, retiring as Captain in 1977. He was part of a small group of firefighters who were instrumental in starting the Local 1476 Firefighters Union. He was honored with several citations for his heroic conduct while serving as a firefighter, and was a 2012 recipient of the Remember Me Award presented by First Lady Ann LePage and the Maine Health Care Association. Mr. Greenlaw served with distinction in the Maine Legislature for 14 years, representing the Standish area. He was a member of the Grand Army of the Republic, the Standish Kiwanis Club, the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars. He will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving family and friends; (SLS 364) (memoriam)

Melissa Krueger, of Waterville, whose career was spent working for organizations that served others. Ms. Krueger was born in Franklin, New Hampshire and lived most of her life in Maine. She helped start New Hope for Women in Rockland and worked at Outward Bound in Rockland. After she moved to the Waterville area, she ran the Sexual Assault Center in Waterville. For the past 13 years, Ms. Krueger has served as program director for the Maine Children's Trust in Augusta. She will be greatly missed and long remembered by her loving family, her many friends and those whose lives she touched; (SLS 365) (memoriam)

The Biddeford Middle School Hockey Team, on its winning its second Southern Maine Middle School Hockey League Championship in a row. We congratulate the team members on their achievement; (SLS 366)

The YMCAs of Maine and the positive contributions that the 21 YMCA facilities across Maine make to the health and well-being of Maine residents and communities. The YMCAs serve tens of thousands of Maine residents each year through a variety of programs that focus on youth development, healthy living and social responsibility. These programs serve all age groups, men and women, and people of all faiths, backgrounds and income levels. We send our appreciation to all members and staff of the YMCAs of Maine for their exemplary commitment to their communities and to the State; (SLS 367)

Coleman Powers, of Appleton, a senior at Camden Hills Regional High School, who was named to the 2013 [I]Maine Sunday Telegram[/I] All-State Wrestling Team. Coleman also won an individual state championship at the 2013 Class B State Wrestling Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Coleman on his receiving this honor; (SLS 368)

Calen Bragg, of Appleton, a member of the Camden Hills Regional High School Wrestling Team, who won an individual state championship at the 2013 Class B State Wrestling Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Calen on this achievement; (SLS 369)

James Sheppard, of South Portland, who served as a Staff Sergeant in the famed Tuskegee Airmen squadron during World War II and who is featured in a new film on the famous airmen produced by Time Warner Cable. Originally from New York City, Mr. Sheppard enlisted in the United States Army Air Forces in October 1942 and was assigned to the Tuskegee Army Air Field

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with the 332nd Fighter Group as an aviation maintenance technician. The Tuskegee Airmen is the popular name of the group of who were the first African-American aviators in the United States armed forces. Mr. Sheppard served with the 100th Fighter Squadron and later with the 301st Fighter Squadron in the United States and in Europe. After the war, he served with distinction in the Federal Aviation Administration as a supervisory aviation safety inspector, retiring in 1987. We send him our appreciation for his service to the Nation, and we congratulate him on being part of the film that keeps the important story of the role of the Tuskegee Airmen remembered in our history; (SLS 370)

Dr. William Dewey Blake, of Bath, who led a remarkable life teaching and painting. He graduated as a member of the Dartmouth Chapter of the Phi Beta Kappa Society from Dartmouth College in 1940 and spent summers doing scientific research at the Mount Desert Island Biological Laboratory in Salisbury Cove. He continued this work while attending Harvard Medical School until World War II. During the war, he worked at Goldwater Memorial Hospital in New York City doing malaria research. Dr. Blake did his internship and residency and a fellowship at Presbyterian Hospital in New York City. Following his training, he was invited to join the Yale School of Medicine Department of Physiology and later became an associate professor at the University of Oregon Medical School. In Portland, Oregon, Dr. Blake first showed his paintings. He would later show in local galleries in London and Rome. He spent the last 20 years of his professional life at the University of Maryland as a professor and as the chair of the Department of Physiology, lecturing and researching internationally and encouraging his students. Dr. Blake's major area of interest, in which he pioneered early and foundational research and helped develop important medical techniques, was the physiology of the kidney. Dr. Blake will be greatly missed and long remembered by his family and friends; (SLS 371) (memoriam)

Alyssa Donovan, of Portland, who has been named Salutatorian of the 2013 graduating class of Deering High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Alyssa on this achievement; (SLS 372)

Nathan Finberg, of Portland, who has been named Valedictorian of the 2013 graduating class of Deering High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Nathan on this achievement; (SLS 373)

Halie Harris, of Eastport, who was named the Valedictorian of the 2013 graduating class of Shead High School. Halie has served as class president, president of the Shead chapter of the National Honor Society and editor-in-chief of the Shead High School yearbook. She has been active with many community service projects, sports and extracurricular activities during her high school years, including the Student Senate and drama club. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Halie on her achievements; (SLS 374)

Brennin Consalvi, of Perry, who has been named the Salutatorian of the 2013 graduating class of Shead High School in Eastport. Brennin is a member of the National Honor Society, has participated in the Poetry Out Loud competition and has served as a 4-H Robotics Expo judge. He has been active with many community service projects, sports and extracurricular activities during his high school years, including the radio/TV club, drama club and chess club. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Brennin on his achievements; (SLS 375)

Cristin Wright, of Ellsworth, who has been named Salutatorian of the 2013 graduating class of Ellsworth High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Cristin on this achievement; (SLS 376)

Cecelia MacEachern, of Ellsworth, who has been named Valedictorian of the 2013 graduating class of Ellsworth High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Cecelia on this achievement; (SLS 377)

Richard and Jean Methot, of Industry, on the occasion of their 60th Wedding Anniversary and their 80th birthdays. Mr. and Mrs. Methot were married at St. Francis Church in Belchertown, Massachusetts on April 18, 1953. They have 5 children, 9 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Methot on these very special occasions; (SLS 378)

Gavin Kane, of Wilton, the Spruce Mountain High School Girls Basketball Coach and former coach at Rangeley Lakes Regional School and Dirigo High School, who has been named to the New England Basketball Hall of Fame. Mr. Kane has won a combined 7 state championships at Rangeley and Dirigo and has nearly 500 career victories. While at Dirigo High School, Mr. Kane's teams set the state record by winning 11 consecutive Class C regional championships from 1995 to 2005. Under his leadership, the school compiled a 40-3 tournament record, won 12 consecutive Mountain Valley Conference Championships and posted a 136-game league winning streak. Mr. Kane has won numerous Maine Association of Basketball Coaches and Mountain Valley Conference Coach of the Year awards. Many of his former players have gone on to play at the collegiate level and have become coaches themselves. We congratulate Mr. Kane on his being inducted into the New England Basketball Hall of Fame; (SLS 379)

Clifton and Verna Hammond, of Belgrade, on the occasion of their 65th Wedding Anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Hammond were married on May 8, 1948 by the Reverend Leo Dunn. They have 3 children, 6 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Hammond on this very special occasion; (SLS 380)

Michael Cormier, of Wilton, on the occasion of his retirement after a 31-year career in education. Dr. Cormier received his undergraduate degree from the University of Maine at Gorham, his master's degree from the University of Maine at Orono and his Ph.D. in educational administration from Boston College. Dr. Cormier began his career as a teaching principal acting as administrator, social studies teacher and English teacher in Bradley, where he taught for 11 years. He next served as superintendent of schools in Deer Isle for 3 years and in Searsport for 8 years, while earning his doctorate. Since 1993, Dr. Cormier has served as superintendent of the Farmington school district. He was named Superintendent of the Year in 2008 by the Maine School Superintendents Association for his dedication to his students and education excellence. We extend our appreciation to Dr. Cormier for his commitment to the youth of the State and to his communities. We congratulate him on his retirement and send him our best wishes; (SLS 381)

Jim Gajarski, of Vienna, on the occasion of his 80th birthday, June 26, 2013. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him as he celebrates this birthday; (SLS 382)

The Maine School of Science and Mathematics, in Limestone, on its being ranked 44th by [I]Newsweek/Daily Beast[/I] on the 2013 list of best public high schools in the nation. The Maine School of Science and Mathematics also made

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[I]Newsweek[/I]'s Top 25 High Schools: Northeast list, ranking in 11th place. The Maine School of Science and Mathematics is a tuition-free, public, residential high school that enrolls students from across the state and serves over 500 students each year through its academic and summer offerings. We extend our congratulations to the Maine School of Science and Mathematics on its receiving these impressive national and regional rankings and we send the school our best wishes for future success; (SLS 383)

Jason and Jennifer Daigle, of St. Agatha, owners of Lakeview Restaurant and Camping Resort, who are the recipients of the Jeffrey Butland Award for Maine and New England from the United States Small Business Administration. We congratulate Jason and Jennifer Daigle on their receiving this well-deserved award; (SLS 384)

Father Philip A. Tracy, of St. Therese of Lisieux Roman Catholic Church of Sanford, on the occasion of his Silver Jubilee, May 28, 2013. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Father Tracy on his 25 years of serving his faith and his community; (SLS 385)

Lexi Fryover, of Jay, who was named Salutatorian of the 2013 graduating class of Mountain Valley High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Lexi on her achievements; (SLS 386)

Garrett Carver, of Rumford, who was named the Valedictorian of 2013 graduating class of Mountain Valley High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Garrett on his achievements; (SLS 387)

Philip Conkling, of Camden, the founder of the Island Institute, for his many years of commitment to the island and remote coastal communities of Maine. Mr. Conkling is a prolific writer documenting the human ecology of Maine's islands and founded the Island Institute in 1983 along with Peter Ralston. He created [I]Island Journal[/I] as the nation's premier celebration of island arts and culture and [I]The [I]Working Waterfront [I]to share information about what works in island and coastal communities. Mr. Conkling created the Island Fellows program and oversaw the placement of 100 Island Fellows to serve the needs of island communities, many of whom still live and work in Maine. He has assisted island leaders in having a voice in policy decisions throughout the region and Nation, including playing a leadership role in the creation of the Maine Islands Coalition and the Working Waterfront Coalition. During the 30th anniversary of the Island Institute's inception, we take this opportunity to send our appreciation to Mr. Conkling for his contributions and commitment to the State and to its coastal heritage. We congratulate him on his exemplary efforts and send him our best wishes for his future endeavors; (SLS 388)

Paula Doughty, of Farmington, on her induction into the Maine Sports Hall of Fame. In 2008, Ms. Doughty was selected as the National Field Hockey Coach of the Year by the National Federation of State High School Associations. In 2004, she was selected as the National Field Hockey Coach of the Year by the National High School Coaches Association. She has been field hockey coach at Skowhegan Area High School for 31 seasons. She has compiled a record of 438-80-17, including 11 state Class A titles. We congratulate Ms. Doughty on her induction into the Maine Sports Hall of Fame; (SLS 389)

Declan Chu, of Winthrop, who has been named Valedictorian of the 2013 graduating class of Winthrop High School. Declan was captain of both the soccer team and the tennis team. He has been involved in the Math Team, the band, the Drama Club and

the Latin Club, of which he was named Parliamentarian. He is Class Treasurer, participated in the YMCA's Maine Youth in Government program and attended the American Legion's Dirigo Boys State. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Declan on his achievements; (SLS 390)

Randee Rebecca Boulay, of Winthrop, who has been named Salutatorian of the 2013 graduating class of Winthrop High School. Randee has been active in the girls' soccer team, the Math Team, Maine Youth Voices, the Art Club, the Latin Club, high school band and participated in the Kennebec Valley Music Educators Association Music Festival. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Randee on her achievements; (SLS 391)

Rosie Ditre, of Manchester, who has been named Salutatorian of the 2013 graduating class of Maranacook Community High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Rosie on her achievement; (SLS 392)

Charles Pooler, of Scarborough, a longtime ice cream truck driver, who also had a passion for hunting, fishing and family. Mr. Pooler was born in Scarborough and was a graduate of the 1946 class of Scarborough High School. He delivered Hood Ice Cream to small markets and grocery store chains across the state for 35 years. He will be greatly missed and long remembered by his family and friends; (SLS 393) (memoriam)

The Long Reach Swim Club of the Bath Area Family YMCA, the Snaildarters, on its winning its 23rd consecutive championship at the State Championship Swim Meet. We congratulate the members of the team on this achievement and send them our best wishes; (SLS 394)

Joseph Giacomantonio, of Saco, on the occasion of his retirement from the Scarborough Police Department. Mr. Giacomantonio served in the United States Air Force for 4 years before starting his career as a police officer in 1984. He served with the Kittery Police Department and the Scarborough Police Department. He is well known for his active work as a K-9 officer as well as for programs he has spearheaded. Mr. Giacomantonio is responsible for starting the bicycle helmet exchange program, the Police Explorers Program and the Volunteers in Police Services Program. He served as the D.A.R.E. Program State Coordinator and the Community Resource Officer for Scarborough. He was awarded a commendation for bravery. Mr. Giacomantonio has made an incredible difference in the lives of Scarborough citizens during his time as a police officer. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Giacomantonio for his contributions to the City of Scarborough and the State and send him our best wishes for a happy retirement; (SLS 395)

Hub Furniture, as it celebrates 100 years of doing business in the Greater Portland area. Founded in 1913 by Sam Novick and Max Simonds, 2 immigrants from the same village in Russia, Hub Furniture has been a mainstay in the area through the years. The first 2 stores were on Congress Street and in the 1960s, Hub Furniture moved to its present location in the Old Port. Mr. Novick's widow bought out the Simonds family around 1951 and the store is currently owned and operated by Sam Novick, the grandson of the founder, his wife, Bette, his mother, Rose and his son, Andrew Novick. Hub Furniture has plans to celebrate its continued success by giving back to the community as it has in the past, by holding a benefit bash with proceeds to go to the Preble Street Resource Center, the United Way of Greater Portland and the Jewish Community Alliance of Southern Maine. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Hub Furniture and the Novick family on this important anniversary; (SLS 396)



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Taylor Littlefield, of Sanford, who has been named Valedictorian of the 2013 graduating class of Sanford High School. Taylor played varsity soccer and basketball and was a member of the Key Club. She was a member of the National Honor Society and served on the Reducing Sexism and Violence Program. We extend our congratulations to Taylor on this achievement and send her our best wishes; (SLS 397)

The Georgetown Working League, of Georgetown, which is the recipient of a 2013 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. The Georgetown Working League is a local organization that began in 1913 and is dedicated to supporting community services. We congratulate the members of the Georgetown Working League on their receiving this award; (SLS 398)

Dakota J. Batchelder, of Enfield, 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 Dakota on this achievement; (SLS 399)

Edwards-United Technologies, of Pittsfield, which was one of 5 businesses in the State recognized by the Governor's office and the Department of Environmental Protection with a 2013 Environmental Excellence Award. We extend our congratulations to Edwards-United Technologies on its receiving this award; (SLS 400)

Mary Butler, of Bangor, a sophomore at Bangor High School, whose project won first place and Best in Show at the 2013 Maine State Science and Engineering Fair. Her project demonstrated that nanofibrillated cellulose can be used as an important component in low-cost water filtration systems. Mary assisted in research involving nanofibrillated cellulose, which was developed at the University of Maine. We extend our congratulations to Mary on her achievements and we send her our best wishes for future success; (SLS 401)

Jean Roberts, of Orono, for her many years of volunteering at the Leonard Middle School library in Old Town. For the past 20 years, Mrs. Roberts, now 89 years of age, has volunteered to work in the library putting in about 35 hours a week. She also teaches and grades library skills papers, judges the Lincoln-Douglas debate competitions and helps with the Maine Student Book Award program. Mrs. Roberts won the Maine Principals' Association 2010 Service to Maine Youth Award for her exemplary volunteerism. A former high school English teacher with a master's degree, a mother and a grandmother, she seldom misses a day at the library. We send her our appreciation for her commitment to the youth of her community and to the State, and we send her our best wishes; (SLS 402)

The Hebron Station School Destination ImagiNation Team, which won first place in the In The Zone Challenge at the Elementary State level championships. We congratulate the members of the team on this achievement; (SLS 403)

The members of the Bangor High School Math Team, who won the State Math Meet, sponsored by the Maine Association of Math Leagues. The team is coached by Steve Godsoe; the assistant coach is Carl Robbins. The team scored more than 800 points, the most ever scored by a math team. This is the team's

first win since 2010. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the team members on this achievement; (SLS 404)

The following students at St. John Regional Catholic School, in Winslow, who are the state winners in their grades in the 2013 Zaner-Bloser National Handwriting Contest: Jairus Hurdle, grade 2; Alaina Karen Lambert, grade 3; Julia Bard, grade 4; and Emilee Theriault, grade 5. We send our congratulations and best wishes to these students on their earning this honor; (SLS 405)

The University of Maine Odyssey of the Mind Team, of Orono, which has won first place in the ARTchitecture: The Musical, Division IV Challenge at the Odyssey of the Mind State Championship. We congratulate the members of the team on their achievement and send them our best wishes; (SLS 406)

Althea M. Lancaster Nason, of Lincoln, on the celebration of her 100th birthday, June 20, 2013. Mrs. Nason was the oldest of 17 children and is the only one living. She married her husband, Ben, in 1929 and together they raised 4 children. Mrs. Nason worked for the Advance Bag and Paper Company and the Atlas Plywood Company in Howland. She also worked as a cook for a crew of woodsmen in Grindstone, for School Administrative District 31 for 11 1/2 years and for "Meals for ME." We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mrs. Nason on this very special occasion; (SLS 407)

Velma Pearson, of Farmington, on the celebration of her 107th birthday. Mrs. Pearson was born on September 3, 1905 in New Sharon. She graduated from New Sharon High School in 1924 and married Herman Pearson. They raised one daughter. Mrs. Pearson worked for an optometrist, arranged flowers at Riverside Greenhouse and worked for local canning factories. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mrs. Pearson on this very special occasion; (SLS 408)

Dean Merrill, of Anson, on the occasion of his retirement after 25 years of teaching forestry and wood harvesting at Foster Technology Center in Farmington. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Merrill for his commitment to the citizens of Maine and wish him well in his future endeavors; (SLS 409)

Rebecca Ryder, of Chesterville, who is the recipient of a 2013 American Hospital Association Grassroots Champion Award given by the American Hospital Association in partnership with the Maine Hospital Association. Each year one award is presented to a hospital leader in each state who has demonstrated exceptional leadership in generating grassroots and community activity in support of their hospital's mission. Ms. Ryder is the president and chief executive officer at Franklin Memorial Hospital. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Ryder on her receiving this award and thank her for her contributions to the people of Franklin County; (SLS 410)

Paul Newell Mosher, of Wilton. Mr. Mosher was born in Wilton and spent his early years on a farm. He went to the White Schoolhouse in Wilton and graduated from Wilton Academy in 1936. He received his bachelor of science degree in dairy husbandry in 1941 and a master's degree in agronomy in 1961 from the University of Maine. He devoted his career to the potato industry and worked for the Cooperative Extension at the University of Maine for 32 years. Mr. Mosher will be greatly missed and long remembered by the many farmers, family and friends whose lives he touched; (SLS 411) (memoriam)

Deanna Morris, of Mount Vernon, who has been named Valedictorian of the 2013 graduating class of Maranacook Community High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Deanna on her achievement; (SLS 412)

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Sarah Pastio, of Windsor, an eighth grader at Windsor Elementary School, who is a winner of the 2013 Maine Constitution Essay and Poster Contest. The contest allows Maine students from kindergarten to grade 12 to participate by submitting essays regarding the Maine Constitution or voting and democracy or by submitting posters reflecting Maine symbols and history. The essay contest is for students in grades 6 to 12. The theme for grades 6 to 8 was "The Maine Constitution," and Sarah received top honors in this category. Winning students and their classes are invited to view the State's original 1820 Constitution at the Maine State Archives. We extend our congratulations to Sarah on her being a winner of the contest; (SLS 413)

The Lyseth Elementary School Odyssey of the Mind Team, of Portland, which won first place in the Tumble-wood, Division I Challenge at the Odyssey of the Mind State Championship. We congratulate the members of the team on this achievement; (SLS 414)

The Burchard A. Dunn Elementary School, of New Gloucester, Destination ImagiNation Team, which won first place in the Change In Realtee Challenge at the Elementary State Championship. We congratulate the members of the team on this achievement; (SLS 415)

Daniel Fortier, of Lewiston, a senior at Lewiston High School, who is a recipient of a 2013 Principal's Award for outstanding academic achievement and citizenship, sponsored by the Maine Principals' Association. We extend our congratulations to Daniel on his receiving this award; (SLS 416)

Harold Smith, of Auburn, on the occasion of his retirement after 50 years of serving the community as a barber. Mr. Smith, who grew up in East Wilton, started as a barber at 25 years of age. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on his well-deserved retirement; (SLS 417)

Alyssa Urquhart, of Alna, a senior at Wiscasset High School, who is the recipient of the 2013 Principal's Award for outstanding academic achievement and citizenship, sponsored by the Maine Principals' Association. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Alyssa on her receiving this award; (SLS 418)

Cameron Sutton, of Auburn, who has been honored as an outstanding educator by the American Forest Foundation for her work with its curriculum program, Project Learning Tree. Ms. Sutton is known for her skill in teaching environmental studies to all ages and her ability to adapt the teaching of science to meet students where they are academically. Earlier in her career, she served as an AmeriCorps volunteer with the Department of Environmental Protection as a watershed educator. Ms. Sutton was also a co-consulting educator at the Auburn Land Lab, an environmental education facility that serves the entire school district. She has served on the boards of the Maine Environmental Education Association and the Maine Project Learning Tree Steering Committee and is active in many other organizations. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Sutton for her commitment to the youth of the State and congratulate her on her receiving this honor; (SLS 419)

Falcon Performance Footwear, of Auburn, on its receiving a 2013 Governor's Award for Business Excellence. This award is given to business leaders for their commitment to their communities and their contributions to Maine's economy. Falcon Performance Footwear focuses on the design and manufacture of highly engineered safety footwear. Falcon Performance Footwear has become a global leader in industrial, mining and firefighter safety footwear by pursuing product innovation and developing advanced engineered components. We extend our

congratulations to Falcon Performance Footwear on its receiving this award; (SLS 420)

Glenn Adams, of Augusta, on his retirement as an Associated Press correspondent after more than 32 years of service. Mr. Adams grew up in New Jersey and had his first news story published in the [I]Philadelphia Inquirer[I] at the age of 14. He worked for newspapers in the Philadelphia and New Jersey areas and also spent a year traveling the world as an editor of the on-board newspaper for the luxury liner Queen Elizabeth 2. Mr. Adams and his wife Betty moved to this area in 1981 and have 3 children and 3 grandchildren, all born in Maine. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on the occasion of his retirement; (SLS 421)

Rabbi Susan Bulba Carvutto, of Winthrop, on the occasion of her retirement as rabbi of Temple Beth El in Augusta after 15 years of service. We send our appreciation to Rabbi Carvutto for her outstanding leadership of her congregation and to the community. We congratulate her on her retirement and send her our best wishes; (SLS 422)

John Peter Hickey, of Augusta, on the occasion of his retirement from teaching after 37 years at St. Michael School. Mr. Hickey grew up in Augusta and received his bachelor's degree from Providence College and a master's degree from Ohio University. He began teaching in 1976. Mr. Hickey taught at the same school during his career in education and also coached basketball and baseball. When he began teaching, the school was St. Mary School; after merging with St. Augustine School, the school became St. Michael School. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Hickey for his commitment to the youth of the State and wish him well in his future endeavors; (SLS 423)

Harriet Trafford, of Waterville, on the occasion of her retirement after 12 years as principal at Albert S. Hall School in Waterville. During her 23 years of dedicated service in Waterville schools, Ms. Trafford also served at Gilman Street School and the George J. Mitchell School, always working with area resource providers to ensure that the schools are a vital part of the community. We send her our appreciation for her commitment to the youth of Maine, to her community and to the State; (SLS 424)

Danielle Collinson, of Sanford, who has been named Salutatorian of the 2013 graduating class of Sanford High School. Danielle played softball and golf and was a cheerleader. She has been a member of the Key Club, the Interact Club, the National Honor Society, the Sanford High School Mock Trial Team, the Student Council and the Pep Club. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Danielle on this achievement; (SLS 425)

Eric Link, of Auburn, who has been named Valedictorian of the 2013 graduating class of Saint Dominic Academy. We extend our congratulations to Eric on this achievement and send him our best wishes; (SLS 426)

Jordan Charest, of Lewiston, who has been named Salutatorian of the 2013 graduating class of Saint Dominic Academy. We extend our congratulations to Jordan on this achievement and send him our best wishes; (SLS 427)

Arden McSwain, of Edgecomb, who has been named Salutatorian of the 2013 graduating class of Boothbay Region High School. We extend our congratulations to Arden on this achievement and send her our best wishes; (SLS 428)

Hannah Elder, of Edgecomb, who has been named Valedictorian of the 2013 graduating class of Boothbay Region High School. We extend our congratulations to Hannah on this achievement and send her our best wishes; (SLS 429)

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Nicholas Bragg, of Washburn, who has been named Valedictorian of the 2013 graduating class of Washburn District High School. We extend our congratulations to Nicholas on this achievement and send him our best wishes; (SLS 430)

Colby Koch, of Washburn, who has been named Salutatorian of the 2013 graduating class of Washburn District High School. We extend our congratulations to Colby on this achievement and send him our best wishes; (SLS 431)

Michelle Ingram, of Brunswick, who has been named Salutatorian of the 2013 graduating class of Brunswick High School. We extend our congratulations to Michelle on this achievement and send her our best wishes; (SLS 432)

Nathaniel Vilas, of Brunswick, who has been named Valedictorian of the 2013 graduating class of Brunswick High School. We extend our congratulations to Nathaniel on this achievement and send him our best wishes; (SLS 433)

Sabrina Kayser, of Kennebunk, who has been named Valedictorian of the 2013 graduating class of Kennebunk High School. We extend our congratulations to Sabrina on this achievement and send her our best wishes; (SLS 434)

Kimberlee Keithley, of Kennebunk, who has been named Salutatorian of the 2013 graduating class of Kennebunk High School. We extend our congratulations to Kimberlee on this achievement and send her our best wishes; (SLS 435)

Elyse Oliver, of Biddeford, who has been named Salutatorian of the 2013 graduating class of Biddeford High School. We extend our congratulations to Elyse on this achievement and send her our best wishes; (SLS 436)

Thomas Laverriere, of Biddeford, who has been named Valedictorian of the 2013 graduating class of Biddeford High School. We extend our congratulations to Thomas on this achievement and send him our best wishes; (SLS 437)

Phyllis G. Hall Smith, of Windham, on the celebration of her 90th birthday, June 20, 2013. Raised in Portland, Mrs. Smith spent her summers in Kents Hill, where she worked at her grandfather's farm. She attended Nasson College and then received her bachelor's degree from the University of Southern Maine. Mrs. Smith has had an active and busy life, hosting her own cooking show on television in 1954 and, in 1957, she purchased and ran Carolyn's Caterers, later known as HeatherStone, in Cape Elizabeth. She also managed the nutrition program for the South Portland school system until the late 1980s. Mrs. Smith was first married to Everett Hall, Sr. until his passing in 2003 and, in the summer of 2004, she married Clark Smith. She is a member of the Windham Republican Committee and is a former County Committee Member and is very active in her church, the North Windham U.C.C. Church. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mrs. Smith on this special occasion of her 90th birthday; (SLS 438)

Tyler Verrill, of Gorham, who has been named Salutatorian of the 2013 graduating class of Gorham High School. We extend our congratulations to Tyler on this achievement and send him our best wishes; (SLS 439)

Michael Lubelczyk, of Gorham, who has been named Valedictorian of the 2013 graduating class of Gorham High School. We extend our congratulations to Michael on this achievement and send him our best wishes; (SLS 440)

The members of the Scarborough High School Boys Outdoor Track Team, who won their first Class A Outdoor Track Championship. We extend our congratulations to the team on this achievement and send them our best wishes; (SLS 441)

Team Ogunquit-A-GoGo, Leanne Cusimano and Robert Levinstein; Team Bangor Riverdrivers, Carolanne Ouellette and "Timber" Tina Scheer; and Yarmouth's Team Goin Home, Bill and Valerie Sowles, who have raised awareness of missing children throughout Maine and the Nation by participating in the 2012 Fireball Run Adventurally: Northern Exposure. Teams from all along the East Coast participated, and each team involved in this road adventure, which started in Independence, Ohio and ended in Bangor, Maine, represented a missing child from the team's home region. During the week-long 3,000 mile trip, a total of 1,000 posters of the missing children were distributed. This race is the largest and longest active recovery effort for finding missing and abducted children. We send our appreciation to all the participants in the 2012 Fireball Run Adventurally: Northern Exposure and to the Maine teams on this charitable endeavor; (SLS 442)

Kristen Haines, of Topsham, who has been named Salutatorian of the 2013 graduating class of Mt. Ararat High School. We extend our congratulations to Kristen on this achievement and send her our best wishes; (SLS 443)

Abeline Schneider, of Bowdoinham, who has been named Valedictorian of the 2013 graduating class of Mt. Ararat High School. We extend our congratulations to Abeline on this achievement and send her our best wishes; (SLS 444)

The following members of the Cape Elizabeth High School Chess Team, who won the 2013 Maine Scholastic Team Chess Championship: Matthew Fishbein, Brett Parker, Matthew Reale-Hatem, Ben Hansel and Colin Smith. This is the team's second state championship in a row. The team will represent Maine at the scholastic chess national tournament in Nashville, Tennessee in April. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the members of the team; (SLS 445)

Catherine McAuley High School Basketball Team, on its winning the 2013 Class A State Championship. This is the school's 3rd consecutive Class A State title. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the team on this achievement; (SLS 446)

The Waynflete High School Girls Basketball Team, of Portland, on its winning the 2013 Class C State Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the team on this achievement; (SLS 447)

Zachary Labadie, of Lewiston, who has been named Salutatorian of the 2013 graduating class of Lewiston High School. We extend our congratulations to Zachary on this achievement and send him our best wishes; (SLS 448)

Daniel Fortier, of Lewiston, who has been named Valedictorian of the 2013 graduating class of Lewiston High School. We extend our congratulations to Daniel on this achievement and send him our best wishes; (SLS 449)

Cormac G. Walsh, of Wiscasset, who has been named Salutatorian of the 2013 graduating class of Wiscasset High School. We extend our congratulations to Cormac on this achievement and send him our best wishes; (SLS 450)

Alyssa M. Urquhart, of Alna, who has been named Valedictorian of the 2013 graduating class of Wiscasset High School. We extend our congratulations to Alyssa and send her our best wishes; (SLS 451)

The Auburn Middle School Odyssey of the Mind Team, which won first place in the Pet Project, Division II Challenge at the Odyssey of the Mind State Championship. We congratulate the members of the team on their achievement; (SLS 452)

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Allaire Lever, of Auburn, a member of the Edward Little High School Girls Ski Team, who is the State Class A Slalom and Giant Slalom Champion. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Allaire on this accomplishment; (SLS 453)

The following students at Lewiston Regional Technical Center, who won the Gold Medal at the 2013 SkillsUSA Maine Championship: Isaac Stone, criminal justice; Lucas Rushton, sustainability solutions; Katelyn Roy, customer service; Bryanna Sult, pin design; Jordan Steven-Hall, electrical construction wiring; Leah Goldsberry, commercial baking; Jacob Dwelley, diesel equipment technology; Ben Lowit, robo rescue challenge; Kyle Ridley, robo rescue challenge; Alex Beaudoin, automotive service technology; Ramzi Adil, health knowledge bowl; Cleo Miller, health knowledge bowl; Osman Farah Mohamed, health knowledge bowl; Mariah Carrier, health knowledge bowl; and Megan Pare, medical math. Sadie Beaudin participated in SkillsUSA as a member of the Courtesy Corps. The SkillsUSA Maine Championship is a state-level competition for high school and college students enrolled in trade, technical and skilled service instructional programs in which students from across the State demonstrate their talents and dedication to their fields of study. We congratulate these students on their achievements; (SLS 454)

The members of the Cheverus High School Boys Swim Team, of Portland, who won the State Class A Boys Swim Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the team members on this accomplishment; (SLS 455)

The Gray-New Gloucester High School Destination ImagiNation Team, which won first place in the Change In Realitee Challenge at the Secondary State level championship. We congratulate the members of the team on this achievement; (SLS 456)

Robert Moody, of Windsor, who is the recipient of the Regional School Unit #12 Employee of the Year award. Mr. Moody is the principal of Windsor Elementary School. He was voted as employee of the year by the employees of the district. His leadership through programs such as the reading challenge has won him acclaim throughout the district and the State. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Moody on his receiving this award. (SLS 457)

Claire G. Bowley, of Waldoboro, who was a valuable part of the community. Mrs. Bowley was born in Stoneham, Massachusetts and grew up in Medford, Massachusetts. She attended Catherine Laboure School of Nursing and Boston University, eventually taking a job with Northeast Airlines. She married Robert R. Bowley in 1973, and worked at Taction in Waldoboro. Among her many contributions to the town, Mrs. Bowley served on the Waldoboro Public Library Board of Trustees, the Women's Club, the Shellfish Conservation Committee, the Conservation Commission and the Waldoboro Day Planning Committee. She was also active in her church, St. Patrick's Church in Newcastle. Mrs. Bowley will be greatly missed and long remember by her family and friends; (SLS 458) (memoriam)

Francois O. Sevigny, of Springvale, a United States Army veteran of World War II, who was the recipient of several medals, including the Bronze Star. Mr. Sevigny was born in Springvale and attended the former Notre Dame School. Following the war, he began working in the family business as a painter and wallpaper hanger, a trade and skill passed on to him by his father. Upon his father's death, Mr. Sevigny and his brother continued the growth of the business and at his retirement, he was self-

employed still specializing in his trade. He was proud of his grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Mr. Sevigny will be greatly missed and long remembered by his wife of 63 years, Alberta, his family and his friends; (SLS 459) (memoriam)

John Secunde, of Limerick, who has been named Salutatorian of the 2013 graduating class of Massabesic High School. We extend our congratulations to John on this achievement and send him our best wishes; (SLS 460)

Jacqueline Stolo, of Alfred, who has been named Honor Essayist of the 2013 graduating class of Massabesic High School. We extend our congratulations to Jacqueline on this achievement and send her our best wishes; (SLS 461)

Meredith Sleeper, of Caribou, who has been named Salutatorian of the 2013 graduating class of Caribou High School. We extend our congratulations to Meredith on this achievement and send her our best wishes; (SLS 462)

Kelsie Estling, of New Sweden, who has been named Valedictorian of the 2013 graduating class of Caribou High School. We extend our congratulations to Kelsie on this achievement and send her our best wishes; (SLS 463)

Deputy Jason Solomon, of Parsonsfield, who has been chosen as the top 2013 School Resource Officer of the Year by the National Association of School Resource Officers. The award is given to a school resource officer who has made a specific and significant contribution to the local community and school. Chief Deputy Bill King of the York County Sheriff's Office nominated Deputy Solomon for this honor after receiving numerous reports of his exemplary performance from students, faculty, administrators and parents. Deputy Solomon has worked for the York County Sheriff's Office for 12 years and has been the school resource officer for Massabesic High School in Waterboro since 2010. We extend our appreciation to Deputy Solomon for his commitment to the youth of the State and congratulate him on his receiving this distinguished award; (SLS 464)

Margaret "Miki" MacDonald, of Bangor, who was named Caregiver of the Year by the Maine Hospital Association. Ms. MacDonald is a nurse practitioner. She is an extraordinary nurse and extraordinary human being. The care she brings to patients goes beyond expectations. She volunteers at the Shaw House, a shelter for homeless teens, and makes frequent visits to a homebound couple. She travels to Nicaragua annually, accompanied by fellow nurses, students and gynecologists, to work in a health clinic for women, conducting physical exams, pap tests and colposcopies, and holds a yard sale every year to assist in funding this mission. We extend our appreciation to Ms. MacDonald for her commitment to the people of the State and congratulate her on her receiving this well-deserved recognition; (SLS 465)

Jessica Allen, of Hermon, who has been recognized as a Youth Merit Scholar by the Rotary Club of Bangor for her ability to meet the Rotary Four-Way Test and demonstrate strong academic accomplishments and community involvement. We extend our congratulations to Jessica on this achievement and send her our best wishes; (SLS 466)

Adrienne Rose Carmack, of Veazie, who has been named Salutatorian of the 2013 graduating class of John Bapst Memorial High School. We extend our congratulations to Adrienne on this achievement and send her our best wishes; (SLS 467)

Donald Joseph "DJ" Brooks, of Clifton, who has been named Valedictorian of the 2013 graduating class of John Bapst Memorial High School. We extend our congratulations to Donald and send him our best wishes; (SLS 468)

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Adrienne Carmack, of Veazie, who has been recognized as a Youth Merit Scholar by the Rotary Club of Bangor for her ability to meet the Rotary Four-Way Test requirements and demonstrate strong academic accomplishments and community involvement. We extend our congratulations to Adrienne on this accomplishment and send her our best wishes; (SLS 469)

Bartlett Stoodley, of Unity, on the occasion of his retirement from the Department of Corrections after more than 40 years of dedicated service. Mr. Stoodley began his career in 1971 as a probation officer for adult and juvenile corrections in Waterville. He progressed to district supervisor in Region 4 in Bangor until the department reorganization, which divided adult and juvenile services. Mr. Stoodley became a Regional Correctional Administrator of the Division of Juvenile Services in Bangor and, in 2002, Mr. Stoodley became the Associate Commissioner for Juvenile Services in Maine. We send him our appreciation for his commitment to his profession and to the State, and we congratulate him on his well-deserved retirement; (SLS 470)

Richard Bruce Stedman, of Westport Island, a retired Assistant Secretary-General of the United Nations and longtime active member of the community. Mr. Stedman was born in St. Paul, Minnesota and graduated magna cum laude from Harvard University. During World War II, he served as an officer in the United States Navy aboard a destroyer escort in the Pacific Theater. Mr. Stedman joined the United Nations in 1946 as it was forming and served in numerous capacities with distinction. In 1994, he and his wife, Susie, moved to Maine, where he became an active member of the board of the United Nations Association of Maine and with the Lincoln County Democrats. He also served on the Westport Island Planning Board and was an adult literacy tutor. Mr. Stedman's many years in service to our Nation and community never dampened his appreciation of life, humanity and simple pleasures. Every acquaintance received in good measure the respect, interest and appreciation, laced with good humor, that exemplified his spirit. Mr. Stedman will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving family, his many friends and those whose lives he touched; (SLS 471) (memoriam)

The Honorable John V. Romei, of Roque Bluffs, District Court Judge in Machias, on the occasion of his retirement after 21 years on the bench and more than 30 years as a lawyer. Judge Romei began his career in Washington County as an assistant district attorney in 1975. Among the many changes he has experienced through the years is the impact of prescription narcotic abuse on communities and families and the success the Washington County Adult Drug Treatment Court has had in reducing recidivism. Judge Romei will remain in active-retired status, which would allow him to be called into service if needed. We send Judge Romei our appreciation for his dedicated commitment to the judiciary, to his community and to the State. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on his retirement; (SLS 472)

The members of the Foxcroft Academy Boys Track Team, who won the Penobscot Valley Conference Small School Championship. We extend our congratulations to the team members on this achievement and send them our best wishes; (SLS 473)

Peter Morse, of Milo, who has been named Salutatorian of the 2013 graduating class of Penquis Valley High School. We extend our congratulations to Peter on this achievement and send him our best wishes; (SLS 474)

Robert Weber, of Sebec, a coach at Foxcroft Academy, who is the recipient of a Penobscot Valley Conference Small School Boys Coach of the Year Award. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Weber on his receiving this award and send him our best wishes; (SLS 475)

Rachel Worster, of Brownville, who has been named Valedictorian of the 2013 graduating class of Penquis Valley High School. We extend our congratulations to Rachel on this achievement and send her our best wishes; (SLS 476)

Attorney General Janet Mills, of Farmington, who has been named the 2013 Woman of the Year by Emerge Maine. Ms. Mills is the 4th Maine woman to be selected for this distinction, which is based on her lifelong career in public service, law and politics. When she was chosen by Governor Joe Brennan to be the first woman district attorney in the State, she also became the first in New England and one of the first in the country. She has been elected 4 times to serve in the Maine House of Representatives and has served as Vice-chair of the Maine Democratic Party. Ms. Mills is also both the first and second woman elected by the Legislature as Attorney General for the State. She was a founding member of the Maine Women's Lobby and has served on a number of boards and commissions and was awarded the Maine Bar Association's Glassman Award for the advancement of women. We extend our congratulations to Attorney General Mills on her being named the 2013 Woman of the Year and thank her for her dedication and service to the people of the State; (SLS 477)

William John McKee, of Kingfield, an active member of his community. Mr. McKee was born and raised in Pennsylvania and served in the United States Navy in the Pacific until 1946. He began a newspaper career in 1956 and he earned his bachelor's degree from Thiel College in Pennsylvania. Mr. McKee was hired as the school's first public relations director immediately after graduation. In 1967, he was named administrative assistant to Congressman Joseph Vigorito and in 1971 he became staff director for the National Society of Professional Engineers in Washington, D.C. until his retirement. Mr. McKee and his family moved to Kingfield in 1984 where he worked as a part-time reporter and guest columnist for the [I]Lewiston Sun Journal[I]. He was involved in bringing a new elementary school to Phillips and a health care facility, a town water system and a Poland Spring water bottling plant to Kingfield. He served on the state Board of Education and was a substitute teacher in the MSAD No. 58 schools. He will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving family, his friends and his community; (SLS 478) (memoriam)

Howie's Welding and Fabrication, Inc., of Jay, on its receiving a 2013 Governor's Award for Business Excellence. This award is given to business leaders for their commitment to their communities and their contributions to Maine's economy. Howie's Welding and Fabrication, Inc. was established in 1983 and has shown continued growth, working in all type of structural steel fabrication. We extend our congratulations to Howie's Welding and Fabrication, Inc. on its receiving this award; (SLS 479)

Earle "Kip" Brown, Jr., of Wilton, a longtime prominent citizen of the community. Mr. Brown served for many years as the town's road foreman and was in charge of plowing the town's roads. He served on the town's Recreation Committee, did bulldozer work for private citizens and was very active in the Woodland Wanderers Snowmobile Club. The 2013 annual town report for the Town of Wilton has been dedicated to Mr. Brown for

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his commitment to his community. He will be greatly missed by his family, his friends and the town he served; (SLS 480) (memoriam)

Peter Boucher, of Carrabassett Valley, who is the recipient of the EMS merit award presented annually by the State's Emergency Medical Services in recognition of a person's involvement in several areas of service over time. Mr. Boucher was chosen for his commitment as a paramedic with the Sugarloaf Ambulance and Rescue Company and later as an employee of Franklin Memorial Hospital's NorthStar Emergency Medical Services. Mr. Boucher began his career in Alaska with the Alaska Fire Service in 1977. He completed his paramedic training in Los Angeles, California and returned to Nenana, Alaska where he eventually became fire chief. While in Alaska, he served for 3 years with the Coast Guard at Kodiak Island. When Mr. Boucher moved to Maine in 1987, he began working for Sugarloaf Ambulance and Rescue Company and after 6 years, bought the ambulance service. In 1996, he sold the service to Franklin Memorial Hospital. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Boucher for his dedicated service and congratulate him on his receiving this award; (SLS 481)

Starr "Hezzy" Galusha, of Avon, 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 Starr on her receiving this honor; (SLS 482)

James Rochefort, of Berwick, who has been named Salutatorian of the 2013 graduating class of Noble High School. James is the Silver Key recipient in the Scholastic Arts and Writing competition, and participated in the Maine Space Grant Consortium MERITS internship. He attended the National Youth Leadership Training Course. We congratulate James on his achievement and send him our best wishes; (SLS 483)

Adam Della-Piana, of Berwick, who has been named Valedictorian of the 2013 graduating class of Noble High School. Adam played varsity football for 3 years and served as the captain of the basketball team for 2 years. We extend our congratulations on his achievement and send him our best wishes; (SLS 484)

Adrian "Butch" Reed Wells, Sr., of Wilton, well known as the owner of W.S. Wells and Son Cannery, a family business that was passed on for 4 generations. Mr. Wells was known as the "Racer Chaser" while working at The Ski Rack in Livermore Falls and was well known for making Christmas Eve ski equipment deliveries to area residents on his way home. He also assisted many area high school ski teams for years with their waxing and repairs, attending every competition to support the teams. Mr. Wells had a love of gardening, growing both vegetables and flowers, was a member of the Wilton Lions Club and was active in the Boy Scouts of America for many years. As an Eagle Scout, Mr. Wells assisted many young men in the area in attaining that rank. He also earned the highest award given by the Boy Scouts of America, the Silver Beaver Award. Mr. Wells will be sadly missed by his loving family, his friends, members of the community and those whose lives he touched; (SLS 485) (memoriam)

George W. Townsend, of Whiting, a dedicated public servant to his community. Raised in Eastport, Mr. Townsend attended Shead High School. He was a longtime employee of the local Coca Cola bottling plant, working his way up from janitor to sales and delivery to general manager of Coca Cola of Washington

County, before retiring in 1997. Mr. Townsend volunteered for the East Machias Fire Department and the local Boy Scouts, he was an active member of the United Methodist Church in Cutler, and he was a member of several town offices, including the planning board and budget committee for the Town of Whiting. Mr. Townsend, a dedicated husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather, will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving family and his friends; (SLS 486) (memoriam)

Kyle Hewitt, of Turner, who has been named Valedictorian of the 2013 graduating class of Calvary Christian Academy. We extend our congratulations to Kyle on this achievement and send him our best wishes; (SLS 487)

Noah Meserve, of South Paris, who has been named Salutatorian of the 2013 graduating class of Calvary Christian Academy. We extend our congratulations to Noah on this achievement and send him our best wishes; (SLS 488)

Julie A. Deacon, of Waterville, on the occasion of her retirement as the executive director of the Maine State Bar Association after 16 years of service and a long career in public service. Ms. Deacon was the first female executive director of the Maine State Bar Association and during her tenure she enhanced the education of practicing lawyers and embraced technological improvements. She increased member benefits to all members of the association, especially benefits targeted to small firms who do much of the pro bono work and keep costs affordable to the public. From 1987 to 1992, Ms. Deacon worked for the Maine State Legislature as special assistant to the House Majority Leader and as chief of staff for the House Majority Office. She is a member of the Maine Public Relations Council and a member of the Maine Society of Association Executives. We send our appreciation to Ms. Deacon for her commitment to public service and to her state. We congratulate her on her retirement and send her our best wishes; (SLS 489)

M. Calien Lewis, of Cape Elizabeth, on the occasion of her retirement from the Maine Bar Foundation, which is the philanthropic arm of the Maine State Bar Association and provides legal services to some of Maine's poorest citizens, after 16 years of service. Ms. Lewis, who received her law degree from Thomas M. Cooley Law School in Lansing, Michigan, had a long career of public service and was a persistent and dedicated leader during her professional career in the fight to provide legal assistance to all citizens of Maine. She also served as executive director of the Family Crisis Shelter in Portland, and executive director of Maine Pretrial Services from 1990 to 1997. Ms. Lewis, who serves as a board member of the American Civil Liberties Union of Maine, also serves on the executive committee and audit committee and is cochair of the finance committee of the national American Civil Liberties Union. We send our appreciation to Ms. Lewis for her commitment to public service, to her state and to the Nation. We congratulate her on her retirement and send her our best wishes; (SLS 490)

Izzy Labbe, Maya Brown and Julia Bluhm, of Waterville, for receiving the 2013 Samantha Smith Award from the Maine Women's Fund. The 3 young women, of the Hardy Girls Healthy Women's SPARK project, were honored for their success in getting [I]Seventeen[/I] magazine to change its policy regarding the use of Photoshop on models' photographs in the magazine. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Izzy, Maya and Julia on their receiving this prestigious award; (SLS 491)

Ken Nadeau, of Brewer, who has been named the 2013 Outstanding Maine Physician Assistant by the Downeast Association of Physician Assistants. The award is presented

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each year to a Maine physician assistant in recognition of dedicated service to the community and for inspiring other physician assistants to become involved in opportunities to serve their communities. Mr. Nadeau, who is the associate medical director at Helen Hunt Health Center, was chosen for his caring, leadership, and career of excellence and service to the people of eastern Maine. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Nadeau for his commitment to the citizens of the State and congratulate him on his receiving this recognition; (SLS 492)

Kenneth Eskelund, of Winslow, noted philanthropist and generous community supporter. Mr. Eskelund will be long remembered for his giving to many causes, along with his wife, Shirley, particularly those involving children. Besides giving to the Alford Youth Center and fundraising for the center's second floor, they gave to the Maine Children's Home for Little Wanderers, MaineGeneral Health, the Humane Society Waterville Area, the Muskie Community Center and the United Way of Mid-Maine. They were named honorary campaign chairpersons of the United Way of Mid-Maine's capital campaign in 2007. Mr. Eskelund was a graduate of Michigan State University and earned a doctor of veterinary medicine degree. He was a recipient of the university's Distinguished Alumni Award. He established Maine Biological Laboratories, which later became Lohmann Animal Health, and Northeast Laboratory Services, both of Winslow. He was a member of the Alford Center's Heritage Circle and a former member of the board of directors. He will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving family, his many friends and those whose lives he touched; (SLS 493) (memoriam)

Sonja Morse, of Augusta, a senior at Cony High School, who has been named the 2012-13 Gatorade Maine Softball Player of the Year. This award from the Gatorade Company is given for outstanding athletic excellence, high standards of academic achievement and exemplary character demonstrated on and off the field and distinguishes Sonja as Maine's best high school softball player. We extend our congratulations to Sonja on her receiving this well-deserved award, and we send her our best wishes; (SLS 494)

William E. Bodwell, of Brunswick, a longtime automobile dealer in coastal Maine. He was born in Dorchester, Massachusetts and was a 1944 graduate of Deering High School. Mr. Bodwell graduated from the University of Maine in Orono in 1950 and was a lifelong enthusiastic alumnus and supporter of the university. While a senior in high school, he enlisted in the United States Air Force and served from 1944 to 1946. Mr. Bodwell started working for his father's DeSoto dealership in Portland, and his business career began with ownership of a Mobil gas station in Portland. He opened his first automobile dealership on Front Street in Bath in 1955. Mr. Bodwell was an automobile dealer for over 50 years, and the founder of Bodwell Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram in Brunswick. At one time he owned 4 dealerships along Route 1, from Brunswick to Waldoboro. Mr. Bodwell was very active in the community, serving on industry organizations and dedicating 50 years of service to the Rotary Club of Bath. He was a 50-year rotarian and a cofounder and 50-year member of the Bath Municipal Band. Mr. Bodwell will be greatly missed and long remembered by his family and many friends; (SLS 495) (memoriam)

Nathan Philbrick, of Sidney, who saved the life of a boy who was choking by performing the Heimlich maneuver on him. Mr. Philbrick, a farmer who also drives a school bus, noticed the boy in distress through his mirror, and rushed to save the boy. We

send him our appreciation for his heroic action and congratulate him on his lifesaving skills; (SLS 496)

Leyna Tobey, of Augusta, who has been named Salutatorian of the 2013 graduating class of Cony High School. Leyna performs in the Concert Choir, Madrigals, Pep Band and Chizzle Wizzle. She is a member of the varsity Track and Field Team, plays Volleyball and is a member of the Math Team and the Key Club and the staff of [I]Rameses[/I], the school newspaper. She is the recipient of an Everett V. Perkins Award, is an All-State Festival Choir Member, a Girls State delegate, a Maine Youth leadership participant and a Math Team top scorer. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Leyna on this achievement; (SLS 497)

Josie Lee, of Augusta, who has been named Valedictorian of the 2013 graduating class of Cony High School. Josie is a member of the National Honor Society and participates in the Math Team, the Spanish Club, Key Club and [I]Rameses[/I], the school newspaper. She was chosen Basketball Player of the Year by the Kennebec Journal and selected for the Kennebec Valley Athletic Conference Basketball First Team, All Defense Team and All-Academic Team and the Maine McDonald's All-Academic Team and as a Miss Maine Basketball semifinalist. She earned 11 varsity letters in soccer, basketball and lacrosse. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Josie on this achievement; (SLS 498)

Stephen Soohey, of Whitefield, who was named the Salutatorian of the 2013 graduating class of Erskine Academy. Stephen has been active in community service projects. He was a member of the National Honor Society, the cross-country team and the wrestling team. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Stephen on his future endeavors; (SLS 499)

Robert Soohey, of Whitefield, who was named the Valedictorian of the 2013 graduating class of Erskine Academy. Robert has received the Rensselaer Medal and has been active in community service projects. He was a member of the National Honor Society, the cross-country team and the wrestling team. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Robert on his future endeavors; (SLS 500)

The Honorable Rodney W. McElroy, of Unity, former Member of the House of Representatives and longtime Waldo County educator. He was born in Reed Plantation, Wypitlock and was a 1950 graduate of Patten Academy. Mr. McElroy served in the United States Air Force during the Korean War and, after the war, attended the University of Maine, graduating with his bachelor's degree. He later returned there for his master's degree and Certificate of Advanced Study. Mr. McElroy worked for more than 30 years in School Administrative District No. 3, serving as the first guidance counselor of Mount View High School, then as principal and finally as superintendent of schools. After his retirement from education, Mr. McElroy served 2 terms in the House of Representatives, where he was dedicated to working to improve education for Maine's youth. Mr. McElroy was considered a "local institution" and will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving family, his friends and the community he served so well; (SLS 501) (memoriam)

The members of the York High School Baseball Team, who won the Class B State Baseball Championship. This is the team's first state championship win since 1971. We extend our congratulations to the team members on this achievement and send them our best wishes; (SLS 502)

Richard Grotton, of Cape Elizabeth, who is the recipient of the Maine Tourism Association's 2013 Hall of Fame Award. Mr.

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Grotton is the President and CEO of the Maine Restaurant Association and is a member of the board of directors of the Maine Tourism Association. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Grotton on his receiving this prestigious award; (SLS 503)

The members of the Oceanside High School Softball Team, of Rockland, who won the State Class B Softball Championship. Oceanside High School formed a year ago when the members of Rockland District High School and Georges Valley High School of Thomaston joined forces. This is the first state title for the school in any sport. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the team members on this achievement; (SLS 504)

Hugh N. Lancaster, Sr., of Richmond, a United States Army veteran of the Korean War. Mr. Lancaster, born in Bowdoinham, had many occupations after his proud service to the Nation, and enjoyed being a meat cutter at Pierce's Country Store. He was a member of the Kairos Ministry Team and the American Legion Post No. 132. Mr. Lancaster attended the Dresden Richmond United Methodist Church and attended Shepherd of Faith senior dinners. He will be greatly missed by his loving family and friends; (SLS 505) (memoriam)

The Richmond High School Girls Basketball Team, on its winning the 2013 Western Class D Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the members of the team on their achievement; (SLS 506)

FHC, Inc., of Bowdoin, on its receiving a 2013 Governor's Award for Business Excellence. This award is given to business leaders for their commitment to their communities and their contributions to Maine's economy. In its mission to advance cranial micro-targeting worldwide, FHC, Inc. has served the neuroscience community for more than 40 years and employs more than 100 people at its state-of-the-art facility at the former Bowdoin Central School. We extend our congratulations to FHC, Inc. on its receiving this award; (SLS 507)

Dahlov Ipcar, of Georgetown, who has received Georgetown's annual Outstanding Citizen Award for her outstanding achievements in her profession and contributions to the town. Born in Vermont and raised in Greenwich Village in New York City, Ms. Ipcar spent the summers in Robinhood Village in Georgetown. Her parents, William and Marguerite Zorach, both successful artists, recognized and encouraged her artistic abilities when she was very young. At the age of 19, Dahlov married Adolph Ipcar. They lived in New York City their first year of marriage and, in 1937, moved into the farmhouse on the Zorach property on Robinhood Cove. They became modern subsistence farmers, and their 2 sons, Bobby and Charlie, were born and raised on the farm. In 1939, at the age of 21, Ms. Ipcar had her first solo exhibition at the Museum of Modern Art in New York, the first of many exhibitions. In 1945 she illustrated her first children's book, [I]The Little Fisherman[I], written by Margaret Wise Brown. Since then, she has written and illustrated thirty children's books of her own. She has also written four fantasy novels and a volume of short stories for adults. Over the years, Ms. Ipcar has generously donated her art to numerous organizations for fundraisers and has completed many large-scale murals for Maine schools and libraries. She has received numerous awards within the State, including the Farnsworth Art Museum's Maine in America Award in 2012. At the age of 95, she continues to paint almost every day and show her work throughout Maine and the country. We send her our appreciation for her many years of commitment to her community and to the State and congratulate her on her receiving this award; (SLS 508)

The South Windham/Little Falls Fire Company, formerly the South Windham Fire Department, on the occasion of its 100th anniversary. The fire department has been in the same location on Main Street in Windham since its inception in 1913 when the fire department consisted of a hose storage house and a working hydrant system. Will Jordan, a local blacksmith, was the first fire chief. The fire station was replaced twice: in 1937 and in 1966, when it was enlarged to a four-bay station. For 100 years, the South Windham/Little Falls Fire Company has been a working, thriving model of successful cooperation and consolidation of services between communities. We extend our appreciation to the South Windham/Little Falls Fire Company for 100 years of service to the citizens of Windham and Gorham and congratulate it on this special occasion; (SLS 509)

The following members of the Messalonskee High School Baseball Team, of Oakland, who have won the 2013 Eastern Maine Class A Championship: players Patrick Breton, captain; Devin Warren, captain; Josh Woodard, captain; Jonathan Wilkie; Trevor Gettig; Noah Caret; Jake Dexter; Jesse Enos; Zach Mathieu; Jared Cunningham; Joshua Casey; Caleb Bean; Ben Frazee; Connor Garland; Ryan Scott; Taylor Clark; Nick Mayo; and Sam Bell; head coach Ray Bernier; and assistant coaches Dale Breton and Ray Bernier. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on the team's achievement; (SLS 510)

Denzel Tomaszewski, of Wells, a senior at Wells High School who won 2 individual titles and one relay race title at the 2013 Class B State Track and Field Meet held at McMann Field in Bath. Denzel won the 100 meter dash and the 200 meter race and he ran the opening leg in the 4 x 100 meter relay team, which won first place. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on his achievements; (SLS 511)

Jessica Meir, originally of Caribou, a researcher and assistant professor of anesthesia at Harvard Medical School, who was selected by NASA to become an astronaut. Ms. Meir was one of 8 people chosen out of a pool of more than 6,000 applicants. She was valedictorian of her high school class in Caribou, graduated from Brown University, received an advanced degree from the International Space University and earned her doctorate from Scripps Institution of Oceanography. Ms. Meir has wanted to be an astronaut since the age of 5, and this remarkable achievement is the culmination of that dream. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Meir on her accomplishments and send her our best wishes; (SLS 512)

Gael Romei, of Roque Bluffs, who received the Excellence in Education Award from the Washington County Superintendents' Association for her dedication to education in Washington County. Ms. Romei, who is retiring from the University of Maine at Machias as an associate professor of education, has taught various courses in the education program and has served as the field experience coordinator, overseeing the placement and success of the education program's students. Prior to her 12 years at the university, Ms. Romei was the reading recovery teacher leader for 11 years in School Union No. 102 and School Administrative District No. 37, training teachers in Washington County and Hancock County. She also served as the curriculum coordinator for School Union No. 102 and as a 3rd-grade teacher at Rose M. Gaffney Elementary School in Machias. We send Ms. Romei our appreciation for her commitment to education, to the youth of Maine and to her community. We congratulate her on her receiving this well-deserved award and send her our best wishes on her retirement; (SLS 513)



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Murray Rosen, of Portland, longtime active member of the community. Mr. Rosen attended schools in Brooklyn and the Manhattan School in New York City. He graduated from Pratt Institute and went on to work in Burbank, California for Walt Disney Studios on the Dumbo Project as a cartoonist. Mr. Rosen returned to New York and worked for Famous Studios, which created [I]Little Lulu[I] and [I]Popeye[I] cartoons. In 1956, Mr. Rosen married Shirley Binder and they moved to Maine. He operated an installation company for a storm window firm, remaining in the storm window business for 20 years after selling Triangle Window Company, of which he was president. He performed in many theater productions at the Jewish Community Center and in the past few years, he was a deputy registrar for the City of Portland at the Barron Center. Mr. Rosen was a member and president of B'nai Brith Cumberland Lodge from 1971 to 1980 and president of the State of Maine Council from 1978 to 1980. He was also a member of Temple Beth El and Etz Chaim where he attended services regularly, as well as attending services at Chabad and Shaarey Tphiloh. Mr. Rosen will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving wife of 57 years, Shirley, his family and many friends; (SLS 514) (memoriam)

Albert Glickman, of Portland, a beloved philanthropist who never forgot his Maine roots. Born in Portland, Mr. Glickman was raised in poverty at the height of the Great Depression. His father died when he was young, and his mother raised him alone until she remarried 10 years later. His family then moved to California. Mr. Glickman was educated at the University of California, receiving a law degree from the UCLA School of Law. For many years he was a successful real estate developer in California and other western states. He and his family spent a week or 2 each summer in Maine at Old Orchard Beach, and he eventually bought a place for the whole family to gather on Great Diamond Island. Mr. Glickman moved to Maine permanently when he was in his 50s, taking up residence in Cape Elizabeth. Mr. Glickman donated millions of dollars to schools, including the University of Southern Maine, and to many causes, including the Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research, for which he served as director, following in the philanthropic tradition of his family. His grandfather founded the Jewish Home for the Aged, now called The Cedars, in Portland, and his mother was the first woman to chair a division of the Jewish Federation. Mr. Glickman will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving family, his many friends and those whose lives he touched; (SLS 515) (memoriam)

Mt. Ararat Middle School Ice Hockey Team, of Topsham, on its winning the 2013 Southern Maine Middle School League Hawkins Division Championship. We congratulate the team on this victory and send the members of the team our best wishes; (SLS 516)

The following students at Eastern Maine Community College, in Bangor, who won the Gold Medal at the 2013 SkillsUSA Maine Championship: Adam Davis, welding; Ashleigh Holman-Dupuis, commercial baking; Brandon Belcher, welding fabrication; Michael Burgess, welding fabrication; Jacob Kolda, welding fabrication; Markus Lowe, automotive service technology; and Mitchell Currie, carpentry. The SkillsUSA Maine Championship is a state-level competition for high school and college students enrolled in trade, technical and skilled service instructional programs in which students from across the State demonstrate their talents and dedication to their fields of study. We congratulate these students on their achievements; (SLS 517)

Molly Masters, of New Gloucester, who has been named Valedictorian of the 2013 graduating class of the Maine School of Science and Mathematics. We extend our congratulations to Molly on this achievement and send her our best wishes; (SLS 518)

The Boothbay Region High School Boys Basketball Team, on its winning the 2013 Western Class C Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the members of the team on their achievement; (SLS 519)

Alfred J. "Fred" Lebel, of Maine Heritage Weavers, in Lewiston, who was selected to receive the Veteran-Owned Small Business Award for 2013 from the United States Small Business Administration. After years of experience in the textile industry, Mr. Lebel started Maine Heritage Weavers in 2002, beginning with 2 looms purchased from Biddeford Textile Corporation and employing several former Bates Mill workers. Currently, the company has nearly 30 employees and continues to grow. We send our congratulations to Mr. Lebel and the employees of Maine Heritage Weavers for their receiving this prestigious award; (SLS 520)

Loring Munson, Jr. and Jordan Cline, of Lubec, who, on May 30, 2010, saved the life of Wendell Small, whose 16-foot skiff capsized in the waters of the Lubec Narrows and was being pulled out to sea with the tide. Loring Munson, Jr. and Jordan Cline went out by boat and pulled Mr. Small from the Lubec Narrows. We acknowledge the heroic actions of Loring Munson, Jr. and Jordan Cline and send them our appreciation for saving the life of Mr. Small; (SLS 521)

Russell Wright, Gary Brown and Joseph O'Brien, all of Lubec, who stopped a person from setting a house on fire. Mr. Wright, Mr. Brown and Mr. O'Brien apprehended and held the person until the police arrived. The actions of these men exemplify the best attributes of Maine's citizens. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Wright, Mr. Brown and Mr. O'Brien for their selflessness and their heroic efforts in preventing a disaster; (SLS 522)

Bruce A. Ibarguen, of Wilton, who is retiring from the Department of Transportation after 42 years of service to the people of Maine. Mr. Ibarguen started working for the department during the summer beginning in 1967 while working towards his bachelor's degree in civil engineering, which he received from the University of Maine in 1969. He attended graduate school at the university, majoring in Highway Planning and Traffic, and also served in the United States military at that time. Mr. Ibarguen started as a Region Traffic Engineer at the Department of Transportation in 1972 and, through the years, became a Division Traffic Engineer and an Assistant State Traffic Engineer. In 1992, Mr. Ibarguen became the State Traffic Engineer, a post he has held with distinction. He has served on numerous committees, panels and task forces on traffic-related and safety-related issues. We send our appreciation to Mr. Ibarguen for his commitment to his profession and to the State, and we congratulate him and send him our best wishes on his retirement; (SLS 523)

Heidi Deery, of Rangeley, who was named to the 2013 New England Basketball Hall of Fame. Ms. Deery has been the varsity girls basketball coach at Rangeley Lakes Regional School for 19 years and she has led her team to win state championships in 1993 and 2004. She also led her teams to 5 Western Maine Championships and the East-West Conference Championships. Ms. Deery is the only person in the state to win a state championship as both a player and a coach at the same school.

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We congratulate her on her being inducted into the New England Basketball Hall of Fame and send her our appreciation for her hard work and dedication to the students of Rangeley Lakes Regional School; (SLS 524)

Hugh Tilson, MD, Doctor of Public Health, of Woolwich, Volunteer Sagadahoc County Health Officer, upon his retirement after many years in public health practice and education. Dr. Tilson worked with the Sagadahoc County Commissioners in 2005 to implement an advisory board of health in the county. He was appointed County Health Officer in 2006, and he recruited health practitioners and representatives of nonprofits to constitute the Board of Health. In addition, he created a forum for Sagadahoc County local health officers to meet regularly and receive education on their roles. He was also responsible for a local cable television program, "Public Health & You." Dr. Tilson has been a strong supporter of ACCESS Health, the local Healthy Maine Partnerships member, as well as many other efforts in Maine to develop quality public health programs. We send him our appreciation for his dedicated service to the community and the State and send him our congratulations and best wishes on his retirement; (SLS 525)

Norway Savings Bank, of South Paris, on its receiving a 2013 Governor's Award for Business Excellence. The award is given to business leaders for their commitment to their communities and their contributions to Maine's economy. Norway Savings Bank was founded more than 145 years ago and has grown to serve a wide area throughout western and southern Maine. Norway Savings Bank is committed to personal values, community values and financial values. Norway Savings Bank has more than 250 full-time employees. We extend our congratulations to Norway Savings Bank on its receiving this award; (SLS 526)

Joyce and Lowell Dubay, Jr., of New Vineyard, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Dubay were married in New Vineyard, where they have been lifelong residents, raising their family. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on their Golden Anniversary; (SLS 527)

The 100th Anniversary of the Maine 4-H Club, formerly known in this State as Boys' and Girls' Clubs. The Maine 4-H Club officially began in August 1913, when F. Harold Bickford was appointed as the first state leader of the agriculture- and home economics-based clubs. The first active club in Maine was the boys' potato club, started in Scarborough in December 1913. The 4-H pledge refers to the head, heart, hands and health and represents a learn-by-doing program that teaches youth citizenship, leadership and life development skills. We congratulate the members of the Maine 4-H Club on the club's 100th Anniversary and send them our best wishes for future success; (SLS 528)

The Honorable William D. Hathaway, of Lewiston, former United States Senator and Congressman, who served the State and the Nation with great distinction. Born in Cambridge, Massachusetts, William Hathaway enlisted in the military at the age of 17 and served in the United States Army Air Corps during World War II. He was shot down while bombing Romanian oil fields during Operation Tidal Wave and was a prisoner of war for over 2 months. He was awarded the Air Medal, the Purple Heart and the Distinguished Flying Cross, and met his wife of 62 years, Mary Lee Bird Hathaway, in 1945 when she was a flight nurse in a San Antonio hospital and he was her patient. After the war he attended Harvard University and Harvard Law School and then moved to Maine to practice law in Lewiston. He served as

Assistant County Attorney for Androscoggin County and was a Hearing Examiner for the State Liquor Commission. He served as chairman of the Maine Democratic Party before being elected to Congress in 1964. A liberal Democrat who had strong backing from organized labor, Senator Hathaway served 4 terms in the United States House of Representatives from northern Maine's 2nd District and served in the United States Senate from 1973 to 1979. After leaving the Senate, Senator Hathaway practiced law and was a lobbyist in Washington, D.C., and served 6 years on the Federal Maritime Commission, which he chaired from 1993 until his retirement in 1996. Senator Hathaway proudly devoted his professional and personal energies to the betterment of the citizens of the State and Nation and he will be fondly remembered by his loving family, colleagues and many friends; (SLS 529) (memoriam)

Reno Melford Thibodeau, of Frankfort, a United States Army veteran of World War II and retired postal worker. Mr. Thibodeau was born in Millinocket and in 1936 located to Winterport, where his life was centered around his church. Mr. Thibodeau was a 1943 graduate of Winterport High School and attended Colby College before joining the United States Army in the Pacific Air Service. He earned the rank of Sergeant. After the war, Mr. Thibodeau married Viola Blethen. Mr. Thibodeau was self-employed in the construction business until 1968, when he became a rural mail carrier for Winterport. He retired from government civil service after 28 years. He was very active in his church and through the years held numerous positions, from altar boy to Eucharistic minister. Mr. Thibodeau will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving wife, his family and his many friends; (SLS 530) (memoriam)

Marjorie L. Neeley Manchester Hobson, of Westbrook, on the celebration of her 100th birthday, July 14, 2013. Mrs. Hobson grew up on her grandparents' family farm on Windham Center Road in Windham. She lived most of her life in Windham Center. Mrs. Hobson was very active in the Helping Hand Club and was vice-president of the Cross Roads Garden Club. She loved her flower gardens. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mrs. Hobson on this very special occasion; (SLS 531)

Gretchen Seaver, of York Beach, on the occasion of her retirement from York municipal government after 36 years of service. Ms. Seaver began as bookkeeper and all-around office person in the offices of the York Beach Village Corporation before becoming the benefits coordinator for the Town of York. She is the human resources director for 100 full-time employees, 150 seasonal workers and 40 part-time personnel. She facilitates hiring interviews for all departments and is involved in labor negotiations. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Seaver on her retirement and send her our best wishes in her future endeavors; (SLS 532)

Cary Medical Center, in Caribou, on its receiving the Environmental Protection Agency Region 1 Office's Environmental Merit Award for establishing the Safe Sharps Disposal Program. This program was established in collaboration with 6 local partners in 2011 as a way for citizens to dispose of used medical sharps. In 2012 the Cary Medical Center Safe Sharps Disposal Program collected 86 boxes, or 4,300 pounds, of community medical sharps from kiosks placed at police stations in Aroostook County. We congratulate Cary Medical Center on its receiving this award; (SLS 533)

Allan LeForest Smith, a lifelong resident of Farmington and a United States Army veteran of the Korean War. Mr. Smith was a graduate of Farmington High School and earned his degree in

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civil engineering from the University of Maine. He worked as a civil engineer for the Department of Transportation for 42 years. Mr. Smith was dedicated to his community and served on the MSAD 9 Board of Directors, volunteered at Franklin Memorial Hospital and was a trustee for the Farmington Public Library. He was a 60-year member of Maine Lodge 20 and the York Rite Bodies of Farmington, serving as commander in 1963 and 1998 to 2001. Mr. Smith will be greatly missed and long remembered by his family and many friends; (SLS 534) (memoriam)

Rowena H. Reed, of Strong. Mrs. Reed was born in Phillips and spent her entire life living in Franklin County. She graduated from Strong High School in 1937 and married Albert Reed in 1938. Mrs. Reed was an active member of the Strong United Methodist Church, the women's group, the Strong American Legion Auxiliary and the Oppalunski Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star. She and her husband created cradles, Canadian rockers, quilts and other items. She was known for her large family gatherings and her gracious hospitality. Mrs. Reed will be sadly missed and fondly remembered by her loving family and many friends; (SLS 535) (memoriam)

Reginald and Pamela Hallee, of Augusta, on their 50th Wedding Anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Hallee were married at St. Francis de Sales Church in Waterville on June 1, 1963. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on their Golden Anniversary; (SLS 536)

Colonel Jeffrey A. Morton, Maine National Guard, who is the Deputy U.S. Property and Fiscal Officer serving at Camp Keyes for the Joint Force Headquarters - Maine, on the occasion of his retirement after 32 years serving his country. Colonel Morton, a native of Maine, began basic training in Rochester, New York in 1981 and during his career with the National Guard has served in Canada, Guatemala, Panama, Korea, Afghanistan, Germany and the Netherlands. Colonel Morton has been awarded the Bronze Star, the Meritorious Service Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster, the Army Commendation Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster, the Army Achievement Medal, the National Defense Service Medal with Bronze star device, the Humanitarian Service Medal, the Global War on Terrorism Medal and the Afghanistan Service Medal with 2 campaign stars. We send Colonel Morton our appreciation for his commitment to the National Guard, to his State and to his Nation. We congratulate him on his retirement and send him our best wishes; (SLS 537)

Amanda Charles Long Rowe, of Portland, longtime school nurse and school nurse coordinator with Portland Public Schools. Ms. Rowe was married to the Honorable Steve Rowe, former Speaker of the House and Maine Attorney General. She was born in Akron, Ohio, and grew up in a military family. She graduated from South Portland High School and attended the University of Maryland on a Walter Reed Army Institute of Nursing scholarship and later earned 2 graduate degrees. Ms. Rowe served as a United States Army nurse and advanced nurse practitioner at Fort Knox, Kentucky and Fort Bragg, North Carolina, where she met her husband, Steve. They left active duty and moved to Maine in 1981 to raise their family. She continued serving in the Army Reserve and was briefly called back to active duty during the First Gulf War. She retired from military service as a Lieutenant Colonel. Ms. Rowe taught pediatric nursing for 2 years at Westbrook College and then began a 30-year career with Portland Public Schools. She was school nurse for more than 20 years at Hall Elementary School before becoming school nurse coordinator. She loved her work with children. Ms. Rowe helped establish school-based health

clinics to ensure children had access to health services and provided support and guidance to schools throughout the State. She was a tireless and passionate advocate for public policies for the protection of children and other vulnerable groups. Amanda Rowe will be greatly missed and long remembered by her husband, Steve, her loving family, her many friends and those whose lives she touched; (SLS 538) (memoriam)

The Cheverus High School Girls Lacrosse Team, of Portland, on its winning the 2013 Class A Girls Lacrosse State Championship. This is the team's first state championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the members of the team on their achievement; (SLS 539)

Amy Vachon, of Bangor, on her induction into the New England Basketball Hall of Fame. Ms. Vachon was a valued member of the Cony High School girls basketball team and helped lead her school to 2 Class A State Championships. She went on to attend and play successfully for the University of Maine. She coached the Catherine McAuley Girls basketball team, which won the 2011 State Championship, and is now assistant coach and recruiting coordinator for the University of Maine women's team. Ms. Vachon continues in the family tradition of sports excellence with this induction, following her father, Paul Vachon, who was inducted into the New England Basketball Hall of Fame in 2002. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Ms. Vachon on her receiving this well-deserved honor; (SLS 540)

Country Fest Maine, in Litchfield, which promotes country and bluegrass musicians with its annual music festival and monthly Country Sundays. Maine has a long, wonderful and rich history of being home to great country musicians, and Country Fest Maine has become an integral part of that history. We send our appreciation to Country Fest Maine for its celebrating and promoting country and bluegrass music and musicians. We extend our best wishes for the 2013 festival and for the festival's future success; (SLS 541)

Galen S. Swan, Sr., of Hampden, a United States Navy veteran of World War II. Mr. Swan was a lifelong resident of the town. After his military service, he was appointed a rural letter carrier. He also operated the family sawmill and lumbering business and the Highlands Auto Sales used car dealership. Mr. Swan was a member of several civic fraternal organizations and was known as a loving father, grandfather and friend. He will be greatly missed and long remembered; (SLS 542) (memoriam)

Malcolm Milligan, of Ashland, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 179, 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 him on this achievement; (SLS 543)

The members of the Bucksport High School Girls Softball Team, who won the 2013 Class C State Championship: Cassidy Adams, Kacie Hurd, Andie Lawford, Alanna Davis, Brianna Bires, Debbie Wight, Jen Pye, Jade Darragh, Kimberly Nason, Samantha Goode, Carly Scanlon, Eliza Hosford, Kaylee Grindle, Tyler Dupont, head coach Mike Carrier and assistant coaches Tracy Young and Michelle Grindle. This is the second consecutive state title for the Golden Bucks, who have a record of 40-0 over the past 2 years. We extend our congratulations to the team members on this achievement; (SLS 544)

Douglas Walwrath, of Strong, on celebration of his 80th Birthday. Mr. Walrath was born on January 23, 1933. We extend

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our congratulations and best wishes to him on this special occasion; (SLS 545)

Lindsey Folsom, of Gardiner, who has been named Kennebec Journal Girls Track Athlete of the Year. Lindsey was a member of the Cony High School track team and set a Class A record in the pole vault by clearing 11 feet, 7 inches at the state meet in Brewer this year. We extend our congratulations to Lindsey on this achievement and send her our best wishes; (SLS 546)

Mark J. Wilcox, of Wells, editor and publisher of [I]The Sentinel[/I] and [I]The Granite State Sentinel[/I]. Mr. Wilcox was born in Charlestown, Massachusetts and was a graduate of both Boston University and the New England Law School. He had a 50-year newspaper career, working at the [I]Boston Globe[/I] and later joining Harte-Hanks Communications, a multimedia corporation of newspapers, television stations and direct-marketing facilities throughout the United States, serving as vice-president. Mr. Wilcox founded [I]The Sentinel[/I] in 2005 and its sister newspaper, [I]The Granite State Sentinel[/I], in 2009. Mr. Wilcox will be greatly missed and long remembered by his family and friends; (SLS 547) (memoriam)

The Forestry and Wood Harvesting Class at Foster Technology Center in Farmington, on its receiving awards at the 37th Annual Career and Technical Education Loggers' Meet. Hosted by the Forest Management and Operations Class of the Region Two School of Applied Technology, students from schools around the State competed at the 2-day meet. The Foster class won First Place awards in the Axe Throw, Crosscut Sawing, Tree Identification, Compass and the Claim to Fame Tug of War. The class won Second Place in Pulp Throw for Distance, Pulp Throw for Accuracy, Cookie Stack and Forestry Tool Identification. The students of the class also won the Sportsmanship Trophy, voted on by all participants at the meet. We congratulate the students of the Forestry and Wood Harvesting Class at Foster Technology Center for their achievements; (SLS 548)

Master Sergeant Keith A. Hart, of Farmington, on the occasion of his retirement from the United States Air Force after 23 years of dedicated service to his country. Master Sergeant Hart left for basic training at Lackland Air Force Base in Texas in 1990. He served in support of Desert Storm, Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom. During his career, he received the Bronze Star, the Meritorious Service Medal, the Air Force Commendation Medal with four oak leaf clusters, the Air Force Achievement Medal with four oak leaf clusters and the National Defense Service Medal with one star. We join citizens throughout the State in sending Master Sergeant Keith A. Hart our appreciation for his commitment to the United States military and to the Nation. We send him our best wishes on his retirement and for his future endeavors; (SLS 549)

The firefighters of the East Dixfield, Farmington, Phillips, Strong, Chesterville, Rangeley and Eustis fire departments, who responded to the call to provide critical fire suppression assistance at the Lac-Megantic, Quebec train derailment. These 7 fire departments from western Maine played a critical part in helping to get the disaster under control. We extend our congratulations to the firefighters from those towns and send our appreciation to them for their helping our Canadian neighbors; (SLS 550)

Rebecca Wood, of New Sharon, the Surgical Services Director at Franklin Memorial Hospital, who has been named Franklin Memorial Hospital's Caregiver of the Year. The award honors a caregiver who on a daily basis demonstrates

extraordinary commitment to the delivery of care to patients and their families. Ms. Wood oversees many important services at the hospital, including the day surgery, operating room and post-anesthesia care unit. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Wood on her receiving this award; (SLS 551)

The Mt. Blue High School Softball Team, on its being awarded the 2013 Good Sportsmanship Award for Eastern Maine Class A from the Maine Principals' Association. We congratulate the team on its receiving this award; (SLS 552)

Riley Pelletier, of Skowhegan, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 403, 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 service project Riley developed a walking trail at Lake Saint George State Park. We extend our congratulations to him on this achievement; (SLS 553)

Danica Gleason, of South Portland, who has been named Miss Maine Softball by the Maine High School Softball Coaches Association. Danica spent most of her career playing shortstop but also played every other position on the field. She will be attending St. Joseph's College next fall and plans on playing basketball and baseball. We extend our congratulations to Danica on her being named Miss Maine Softball and send her our best wishes; (SLS 554)

Jackson Beck, of South Portland, who has been named Valedictorian of the 2013 graduating class of South Portland High School. We extend our congratulations to Jackson on this achievement and send him our best wishes; (SLS 555)

The members of the Cape Elizabeth High School Boys Lacrosse Team, who won the Class B Lacrosse State Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the team members on this achievement; (SLS 556)

Bobby Watts, of Thomaston, on the occasion of his retirement after 45 years of driving buses for Georges Valley High School sports teams and 2 years for Oceanside High School. During that time he has driven 5 state championship teams. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Watts for his dedication to the students of the State and wish him well in his future endeavors; (SLS 557)

The Old Town Elks Lodge No. 1287, in Old Town, on the occasion of the Centennial of its contributing to the community. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the good members of the Old Town Elks Lodge on their 100th Anniversary celebration; (SLS 558)

Sharon Sindo, of Millinocket, on the occasion of her retirement from the Millinocket School Department after 24 years of dedicated service. Ms. Sindo taught home economics, family and consumer science and health. We send her our appreciation for her commitment to the youth of Maine and extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on her retirement; (SLS 559)

Diane Garvin, of Millinocket, on the occasion of her retirement from the Millinocket School Department after 30 years of dedicated service. Ms. Garvin both taught health occupations and served as school nurse until she became the full-time school nurse. We send her our appreciation for her commitment to the youth of Maine and extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on her retirement; (SLS 560)

Linda MacDonald, of Millinocket, on the occasion of her retirement from the Millinocket School Department after 36 years of dedicated service. Ms. MacDonald has taught kindergarten, first grade and special education. She has served as grant

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coordinator, curriculum coordinator and principal. Ms. MacDonald also taught for 3 years in Portland as a first and second grade teacher. We send her our appreciation for her commitment to the youth of Maine and extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on her retirement; (SLS 561)

The Town of Fryeburg, as it celebrates its 250th anniversary. The Town of Fryeburg, settled in 1763 as the township of Pigwacket in the wilderness territory of the same name in what was then the Province of Massachusetts Bay, was the first town settled in the White Mountain region of either Maine or New Hampshire. General Joseph Frye, who had gained distinction in the French and Indian War, had made a journey to examine the territory for present and future advantage and found a lush and rich wilderness. General Frye prepared an application for a grant of the area, and on February 24, 1763 it was approved. One of the earliest acts of General Frye was to lay out the township into a series of seven 40-acre lots, which have always been defined in the town's history as the original "Seven Lots." In 1766 the subscribers of the new township were successful in their petition to the Province of Massachusetts Bay to be called Fryeburg. The town was incorporated on January 11, 1777. In 1805, Oxford County was established and Fryeburg became a town within that county. We join the Town of Fryeburg and its citizens in celebrating the town's 250th anniversary; (SLS 562)

Luke Parker Metayer, 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. For his Eagle Scout service project, Luke constructed 2 different types of large musical instrument storage cages for the Windham High School music department. We extend our congratulations to him on this achievement; (SLS 563)

The Underwood Memorial Library, of Fayette, on the occasion of its 60th anniversary. Founded on August 28, 1953, the library was first opened in the Starling Grange Hall and is now housed in one of the town's original one-room schoolhouses. The library is known for its extensive collections of children's literature and historical photographs of the town. Many citizens have volunteered at the library over the years, and all deserve our appreciation for their efforts. An open house is planned on August 28th with a dedication to place a plaque in the library in memory of librarian Suzanne Rich. We extend our congratulations to the Underwood Memorial Library and to the citizens of Fayette on this occasion; (SLS 564)

Jane Lane, of Kingfield, who has been named Mrs. Kingfield 2013 at Kingfield Days. Mrs. Lane was recognized for her work in the town and the school system. We extend our congratulations to Mrs. Lane on her receiving this distinction and send her our best wishes; (SLS 565)

Tom Ward, of Temple, wrestler and wrestling coach, upon his induction into the Maine Amateur Wrestling Alliance Hall of Fame. Mr. Ward, former Mt. Blue High School wrestling coach, was the high school's first state wrestling champion when, as a student, he won the 155-pound Class B championship in 1972. He went on to wrestle for the University of Maine and began his coaching career as an assistant at the former Rumford High School. Mr. Ward was instrumental to that school's winning the 1978 state championship. He returned to Mt. Blue High School as a teacher and coach, leading his team to back-to-back state Class A championships. He also coached at Dirigo High School. In addition to his exemplary wrestling coaching career, Mr. Ward

also served with distinction as a teacher, athletic director, assistant principal and superintendent of schools. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Ward on his being inducted into the Maine Amateur Wrestling Alliance Hall of Fame; (SLS 566)

Mr. and Mrs. Enlow Minick, of Stockton Springs, on the occasion of their 70th Wedding Anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Minick were married on July 24, 1943 in Reading, Pennsylvania, while Mr. Minick was in the United States Army. Mr. and Mrs. Minick moved to Stockton Springs 2 years ago. They have one daughter, 2 grandchildren, 9 great-grandchildren and one great-great-granddaughter. We extend our congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Minick on this very special occasion and send them our best wishes; (SLS 567)

Katharine M. Brown, of Nobleboro. Ms. Brown was born in Jamaica Plain, Massachusetts and was a graduate of Wheelock College. She raised 4 sons and was passionate about her family, politics and lifelong learning. Ms. Brown was an accomplished poet and a generous volunteer of her time, most recently with the Nobleboro Democratic Committee. Before moving to Nobleboro, Ms. Brown ran a popular bed and breakfast establishment in Wiscasset. She will be greatly missed and long remembered by her loving family and her many friends; (SLS 568) (memoriam)

Normand J. L'Heureux, of Boothbay, who is the recipient of a 2013 James Madison Memorial Fellowship from the James Madison Memorial Fellowship Foundation, an award created to recognize outstanding teachers in the subject of the government and the Constitution of the United States. Mr. L'Heureux teaches United States history at Boothbay Region High School, where he has been a teacher since 1997. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. L'Heureux on his receiving this well-deserved honor; (SLS 569)

Debbie Gray, of Wiscasset, on the occasion of her retirement after 35 years of teaching 5th grade at Wiscasset Middle School. Ms. Gray has consistently shown her dedication to her students by supporting them after school in sports, art shows and musical performances. She has a composite picture of every one of her classes hanging in her classroom and students are always coming back to visit her. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Gray for her dedication to the students of the State and wish her well in her future endeavors; (SLS 570)

Heidi Brooks, of Lewiston, who has been named the 2013 Rising Star by Emerge Maine. Ms. Brooks, from the Emerge Class of 2012, is an active member of the Maine People's Alliance, an advocacy organization dedicated to leadership development and grassroots organizing. She is a trained physician and is the secretary of the Maine Democratic Party. We congratulate her on her receiving this award; (SLS 571)

Alex Murchison, of Caribou, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 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. We extend our congratulations to him on this achievement; (SLS 572)

Daniel Powers, of Caribou, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 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. We extend our congratulations to him on this achievement; (SLS 573)

Vernie and Bessie Faulkner, of Wade, on the occasion of their 75th Wedding Anniversary. We extend our congratulations

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to Mr. and Mrs. Faulkner and send them our best wishes; (SLS 574)

Keith Draper, of Caribou, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 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. We extend our congratulations to him on this achievement; (SLS 575)

Boy Scout Troop No. 184, of Caribou, on its 50th Anniversary. The Boy Scouts of America has a long history of providing growth opportunities for young people in the form of character building, training in the responsibilities of participatory citizenship and the development of personal fitness. During the past 50 years, Boy Scout Troop No. 184 has led 50 young men to attainment of the high rank and distinction of Eagle Scout. We congratulate the members of Boy Scout Troop No. 184, past and present, as they celebrate the troop's 50th Anniversary; (SLS 576)

Abbie Bonner, of Eagle Lake, on the celebration of her 100th birthday. Ms. Bonner was born in Washburn on September 6, 1913. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Bonner on this very special occasion and send her our best wishes; (SLS 577)

Donald H. Reutershan, Jr., of Hallowell, a regional education representative and world language content specialist, on the occasion of his retirement after 28 years with the Department of Education. Mr. Reutershan's work on world language education has increased second language learning opportunities across the State and benefited thousands of students. He initiated a variety of strategies and programs, including exchange programs that bring qualified teachers from Spain and China to teach in Maine schools for periods of one to 3 years with an International Visiting Teacher Permit. Mr. Reutershan's commitment to Maine schools and their students has been recognized at the state, national and international levels and has earned him numerous accolades and awards. We send Mr. Reutershan our appreciation for his service to education and to the State, and we send him our best wishes on his retirement; (SLS 578)

Long View Farm, of Gorham, which received the first Heritage Farm Award from the Cumberland County Farm Bureau. Albert Mosher is the 6th generation to own and operate the family farm, one of just a few farms that have been continuously worked by the same family since New England was first settled. The Mosher family is among Gorham's founding families, first arriving in 1738. We extend our congratulations to the Mosher family on its receiving this award and send our best wishes for continued successful farming; (SLS 579)

The Reverend Kenneth I. Lewis, Jr., of Portland, on the 10th anniversary of his serving as pastor of the Green Memorial African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church of Portland. Reverend Lewis was first appointed pastor on May 18, 2003 as the 42nd pastor of the church. We send him our appreciation for his commitment and service to the community and to the State, and we congratulate him on this anniversary; (SLS 580)

The Ellsworth Fire Department and the Senator Hale Hose Company, which were selected to host the 50th Maine State Federation of Firefighters Convention. More than 1,000 firefighters from around the State will participate in the weekend-long convention. This is the fourth time Ellsworth has been selected to host this annual event. The Ellsworth Fire Department consists of 12 career staff members and 15 paid-on-call firefighters and is an integral part of Ellsworth's public safety team. We congratulate the Ellsworth Fire Department on its

being chosen for this notable event and we extend our deepest appreciation to the department for its service to the citizens of the greater Ellsworth community and to all the men and women attending the convention for their service to citizens throughout the State of Maine; (SLS 581)

Dick Kendall, of Auburn, beloved local businessman and active member of his community. Mr. Kendall was a 1941 graduate of Cony High School in Augusta. He moved to Auburn and worked for Bates Manufacturing and as director of personnel for Union Mutual Life Insurance. Mr. Kendall established his own business, Maine Ventures, which specialized in the manufacturing and printing of accounting forms. He was involved in his community, serving on several community boards and founding 8 different groups. He served as president of the Maine Alpine Racing Association and of the Auburn Ski Association and was the first director of the Lost Valley Ski School in Auburn. Mr. Kendall became very involved with the Lewiston-Auburn Youth Court. He was named Auburn Citizen of the Year in 1986 and was awarded the YMCA's Distinguished Service Award in 2012. Mr. Kendall will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving family, his many friends and those whose lives he touched; (SLS 582) (memoriam)

Sandra J. Harper, of Litchfield, Associate Commissioner of the Department of Administrative and Financial Services, for her 25 years of service in State Government in the Department of the Attorney General and the Department of Administrative and Financial Services. We acknowledge her dedicated service to the people of the State of Maine and her contributions to the office that she represented. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on her retirement; (SLS 583)

The Bronco Little League baseball team, of Hampden, on its winning the 2013 Maine State Junior League championship. The Broncos, representing Hampden, Hermon, Newburgh and Winterport, went on to compete in the Eastern Regional tournament in Freehold, New Jersey. We congratulate the members of the team on their achievements this season and send them our best wishes for future success; (SLS 584)

The Hartland Historical Society, as it rededicates the Ireland Cemetery on September 14, 2013 after its restoration. The Ireland Cemetery is the second oldest cemetery in Hartland and was last restored in 1956. The cemetery contains the graves of many of the descendants of the founders of the town; its first burial was in 1826 and its last one was in 1983. We extend our congratulations to the Hartland Historical Society on the occasion of the rededication of the Ireland Cemetery and for its work in the preservation of important historical sites of the town; (SLS 585)

James L. Rochefort, of Berwick, 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 service project, James created a trail at the Great Works Land Trust in Berwick. We extend our congratulations to him on this achievement; (SLS 586)

Augusta Fuel Company, on the 125th Anniversary of its serving the community. The company was established in 1888 as Augusta Ice Company, later evolving into the Augusta Coal and Ice Company. It was renamed Augusta Fuel Company in 1940 to better represent the varied energy needs the company provided for in the area. We congratulate Augusta Fuel Company on this anniversary and send our best wishes for its continued success; (SLS 587)

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The Belgrade Regional Conservation Alliance, on the occasion of its 25th anniversary. The Belgrade Regional Conservation Alliance was incorporated on November 1, 1988, as the Watson Pond Conservation Trust. It was reorganized in November of 1991 as the Belgrade Regional Conservation Alliance. The Belgrade Regional Conservation Alliance is dedicated to conserving the lands, water quality and natural heritage of the Belgrade Lakes Watershed. We extend our appreciation to the Belgrade Regional Conservation Alliance for its work in protecting the natural resources of the State and congratulate it on its Silver Anniversary; (SLS 588)

Nana and Kermit Haines, of Phillips, who were honored at the Phillips Old Home Days for their contributions to the community. Mr. and Mrs. Haines have lived in Phillips for 23 years and recently celebrated their 38th wedding anniversary. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on their receiving this honor; (SLS 589)

The University of Maine at Farmington, on its 150th anniversary. The Western State Normal School was chartered in 1863; the school eventually merged into the University of Maine System in 1968. The university offers high-quality programs in teacher education, human services and arts and sciences and is nationally recognized for its excellence. We congratulate the University of Maine at Farmington on the celebration of its 150th anniversary; (SLS 590)

Noah LePage, of New Sharon, who won the Youth Grand Prize in the Spirit of Place photo and video competition hosted by the Maine Media Workshops and College. More than 3,800 images and videos were submitted in 11 competition categories from image makers around the world. We extend our congratulations to Noah on his receiving this honor and send him our best wishes; (SLS 591)

Heather Ernest, of Wilton, on the occasion of her being inducted into the New England Basketball Hall of Fame for her contributions to the sport. Ms. Ernest was the all-time leading scorer at Mt. Blue High School and was inducted into the school's hall of fame in 2013. She led the Mt. Blue High School girls basketball team to the Class A State Championship in 1999 and 2000 and was named the 2000 Maine Gatorade Player of the Year as well as Miss Maine Basketball. Ms. Ernest went on to star at the University of Maine, where she was a two-time America East Player of the Year and was ranked fifth on the university's all-time scoring list with 1,804 points. We congratulate Ms. Ernest on her induction into the New England Basketball Hall of Fame; (SLS 592)

Steven Michael Lord, of Alfred, 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 Steven on this achievement; (SLS 593)

Karen MacDonald, of Lewiston, an English teacher at King Middle School in Portland, who was named 2013 Maine Teacher of the Year by the Department of Education. We extend our congratulations to Ms. MacDonald on her receiving this award, and we send her our best wishes; (SLS 594)

Julia Sleeper, of Lewiston, who is the recipient of a 2013 Giraffe Award given by the Maine Children's Alliance, a statewide, nonpartisan advocacy organization committed to improving the lives of all of Maine's children, youth and families. Over the years, its Giraffe Awards have honored many distinguished child-focused organizations and leaders in Maine. Ms. Sleeper is

Executive Director at the Tree Street Youth Center. We extend our congratulations to her on her receiving this award; (SLS 595)

Dr. Steve Feder, Doctor of Osteopathy at Lincoln County Healthcare in Boothbay Harbor, who is the recipient of a 2013 Giraffe Award given by the Maine Children's Alliance, a statewide, nonpartisan advocacy organization committed to improving the lives of all of Maine's children, youth and families. Over the years, its Giraffe Awards have honored many distinguished child-focused organizations and leaders in Maine. Dr. Feder has been practicing pediatrics for 15 years. He is the President of the Maine Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics and has volunteered in Uganda and St. Lucia. We congratulate him on his receiving this award; (SLS 596)

Timmy DiNinno, 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. For his Eagle Scout project, Timmy replaced 250 feet of boardwalks on the Two Lights Trail of the town's greenbelt system. We extend our congratulations to him on this achievement; (SLS 597)

The Environmental Health Strategy Center, of Portland, on its receiving a 2013 Organizational Leader Award from the Maine Children's Alliance, a statewide, nonpartisan advocacy organization committed to improving the lives of all of Maine's children, youth and families. The Environmental Health Strategy Center promotes human health and safer chemicals in a sustainable economy. We extend our congratulations to the center on its receiving this award; (SLS 598)

Melissa Lena Philbrook, of Warren, who was crowned 2013 Maine Sea Goddess at the 66th Maine Lobster Festival in Rockland. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Philbrook on her receiving this distinction; (SLS 599)

Judith Glassman Daniels, of Union, a prominent journalist and editor. Ms. Daniels was raised in Brookline, Massachusetts, spent childhood summers in Maine and was a 1960 graduate of Smith College. In a career spanning 35 years in New York, she held managerial positions at [I]The Village Voice[/I] and [I]New York[/I] magazine and for Time, Inc. and Conde Nast publications. After serving in a variety of editorial positions at Time, Inc., she became the first woman editor of [I]Life[/I] magazine. She was the founder and editor of [I]Savvy[/I], a woman's business and lifestyle magazine, and she was a co-founder of the Women's Media Group in New York. Ms. Daniels and her family bought a summer home in Union in 1987 and moved there in 2004. Ms. Daniels was a board member of the Maine Women's Policy Center, the Women's Lobby, the Camden Conference and the Maine Humanities Council. She chaired the board of the Center for Maine Contemporary Art from 2008 to 2013. Ms. Daniels will be greatly missed and long remembered by her loving family and her many friends; (SLS 600) (memoriam)

Kevin Thibodeau, of Georgetown, 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 service project, Kevin, leading a crew of a dozen boys, improved the Georgetown Central School Adventure Trail by clearing and relining trails, making reflection areas, building bridges, spreading mulch, planting a flower garden and taking down trees that were a danger, thus giving back to the school that

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did so much for him as a youth. We extend our congratulations to him on this achievement; (SLS 601)

William Dobrowolski, of Stroudwater Village in Portland, for his contributions to the community in helping to preserve the neighborhood. Mr. Dobrowolski arrived in Stroudwater in 1985 and immediately became an active member of the village. As a Stroudwater Village trustee from 1994 to 2012, he worked on numerous city boards and activities. We send Mr. Dobrowolski our appreciation for his dedicated commitment to Stroudwater Village; (SLS 602)

Donald Drake, of Portland, pastor of the Stroudwater Baptist Church, for his central role in the Stroudwater Village neighborhood. Known as Pastor Don, he has been a strong leader of and advocate for his congregation. He has tirelessly worked for Village Day and coinitiated and contributes to the [I]River View[/I], Stroudwater Village's newsletter. Pastor Don also serves as pastor at Central Square Baptist Church and was a member of the Board of Directors at the Tate House. We send our appreciation to Pastor Don for his dedicated commitment to Stroudwater Village; (SLS 603)

Nghia Ha, of Rumford, who has received the 2013 Citizen of the Year Award from Rumford Grange No. 115. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Ha on her receiving this well-deserved award and we send her our best wishes; (SLS 604)

Madison Morin, of Benton, who at the age of 9 started an environmental club called Helping Hands to focus on recycling and cleaning up the playground at Benton Elementary School. Madison was chosen to attend the Discovery Girls Tween Summit in San Francisco, California. The Tween Summit brought together readers of [I]Discovery Girls [/I]magazine to have conversations about obstacles and pressures facing girls today. We congratulate Madison on the success of her club and thank her for her concern for the State; (SLS 605)

Noah Koch, of Waterville, 4th grade student at Mount Merici Academy, who was selected as a winner in First Lady Michelle Obama's Healthy Lunchtime Challenge, a recipe contest for kids across the country that promotes healthy eating for children. Noah was among fifty-four winners selected from over 1,300 entries, and his winning recipe was for Vegan Powerhouse Pesto Pasta. We congratulate Noah on his being a winner in this contest; (SLS 606)

Samuel Deeds, of Howland, who was the winner of the Crown Royal "Your Hero's Name Here" contest, in which he was chosen to have the Brickyard 400, a NASCAR Sprint Cup Series race, named for him this year. The contest, sponsored by Crown Royal, gives the public the opportunity to vote to name the race for a veteran soldier, police officer, firefighter or first responder who has performed acts of heroism. Mr. Deeds, a Marine Corps gunnery sergeant who served in Iraq in 2005, saved the lives of 2 members of his platoon. He was left severely wounded and has endured more than 40 surgeries. In 2008, he saved the life of a man who was being carried out to sea in a riptide. The Samuel Deeds 400 was held on July 28, 2013 at Indianapolis Motor Speedway. We congratulate Mr. Deeds on his receiving this honor and we acknowledge his remarkable courage and heroism; (SLS 607)

Ann Schonberger, of Bangor, upon her retirement from the University of Maine after 37 years of serving with distinction as a full-time professor. Ms. Schonberger helped to team-teach the first women's studies course at the university before she began teaching developmental math in 1976. She has remained a strong advocate for women at the university and in the

community. She graduated from Wellesley College in 1962 and received her master's degree from the Harvard Graduate School of Education in 1963. She earned a second master's degree, in mathematics, and then completed her PhD in mathematics education at the University of Wisconsin-Madison in 1976. During her career, she has been recognized with many awards, including the Presidential Public Service Award and the Merle Nelson Women Making a Difference Award. Since 1978, she has served on the steering committee of Spruce Run, the battered women's project in Bangor. We send our appreciation to Ms. Schonberger for her commitment to advocating for women, to her profession, to the university and to the State, and we congratulate her on her retirement and send her our best wishes; (SLS 608)

Wiley Cash, of Gastonia, North Carolina, who is the recipient of the 2013 Maine Readers' Choice Award for his debut novel, [I]A Land More Kind Than Home[/I] The Maine State Library and the Maine Library Association established the award to recognize the best in adult fiction published in the United States the previous year. The fiction must exhibit exceptional writing and a compelling story that encourages reading and conversation in Maine's communities. We congratulate Mr. Cash on his receiving this award, and we send him our best wishes; (SLS 609)

Adoptive and Foster Families of Maine, of Bangor, on its receiving a 2013 Organizational Leader Award from the Maine Children's Alliance, a statewide, nonpartisan advocacy organization committed to improving the lives of all of Maine's children, youth and families. Adoptive and Foster Families of Maine is a statewide program serving over 1,100 foster families, 1,300 adoptive families and 800 kinship families by providing the training and education, knowledge and resources needed to provide appropriate care to Maine's children in out-of-home placements. We extend our congratulations to the program on its receiving this award; (SLS 610)

Chief Master Sergeant Bradlee T. Farrin, of Norridgewock, Command Chief Master Sergeant for the Maine Air National Guard, on the occasion of his retirement after almost 30 years of military service. Chief Farrin began his military career in 1984. Following a 3-year tour of active duty, he joined the Maine Air National Guard in 1987. He assumed his current duties as State Command Chief in 2010. Chief Farrin was deployed to Iraq in 2008 in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom and to the Horn of Africa in 2009 in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. Among Chief Farrin's numerous awards and decorations are the Air Force Achievement Medal, the Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal, the Iraq Campaign Medal and the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal. We send our appreciation to Chief Farrin for his exemplary military service to the State and to the Nation, and we send him our congratulations and best wishes on his retirement; (SLS 611)

Robert M. Gilberti, Jr., of Hampden and Gulfport, Florida, a prominent businessman in the community. Mr. Gilberti was a United States Army veteran and a graduate of Husson College. He had a lifelong passion for serving people and was self-employed with Jordan's Restaurant, the Admiral's Ocean Inn and Prudential Northeast Real Estate Property. Mr. Gilberti was a member of many organizations and served as president of the Bangor Jaycees and as a member of the Searsport Chamber of Commerce. He served on the Penobscot County Budget Committee and the Hampden Kiwanis. Mr. Gilberti will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving family and his many friends; (SLS 612) (memoriam)



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Kassidy Blackstone, of Washburn, who was named Little Miss Washburn in the 2013 Miss Washburn Pageants. We send her our congratulations and best wishes; (SLS 613)

Jacqueline McCarthy, of Washburn, who was named Miss Washburn in the 2013 Miss Washburn Pageants. We send her our congratulations and best wishes; (SLS 614)

Elizabeth White, of Washburn, who was named Teen Miss Washburn in the 2013 Miss Washburn Pageants. We send her our congratulations and best wishes; (SLS 615)

Tru Dost, of Washburn, who was named Pre-Teen Miss Washburn in the 2013 Miss Washburn Pageants. We send her our congratulations and best wishes; (SLS 616)

Sydney Chavez, of Washburn, who was named Junior Miss Washburn in the 2013 Miss Washburn Pageants. We send her our congratulations and best wishes; (SLS 617)

The Female Samaritan Association, of Portland, dean of women's charitable societies in the State, and one of the oldest in the nation, on its 185th anniversary. Founded in 1828, the association works within the community assisting social welfare agencies, youth services and senior citizen organizations. We extend our appreciation to the Female Samaritan Association for its service to the community and to the State, and we send our congratulations to the members on their celebration of this anniversary; (SLS 618)

The Penobscot Job Corps Academy, of Bangor, which has been certified as a Center of Environmental Excellence by the Job Corps National Director, Grace Kilbane. The Penobscot Job Corps Academy is only the second center in the nation to receive this distinction. Job Corps is a division within the United States Department of Labor and has taken a leadership role to implement the Guiding Principles for High Performance Green Buildings. We congratulate the Penobscot Job Corps Academy on its achieving this important certification; (SLS 619)

Earl Brechlin, of Bar Harbor, editor of [I]Mount Desert Islander[/I], upon his receiving the 2013 Cadillac Award from the Bar Harbor Chamber of Commerce. This award is given annually to an individual who epitomizes the virtues of leadership, service, sacrifice and the quest for personal excellence through work within an industry, an organization or the community and who has demonstrated a rock solid commitment and dedication to the highest standards of business practice, ethical conduct and selfless public service through work within an industry, an organization or the community. Mr. Brechlin started his journalistic career in the region in 1978 with [I]The Bar Harbor Times[/I], holding a variety of positions, including editor. He also served as Mount Desert Island editor for [I]The Ellsworth American[/I] and Executive Editor for Courier Publications. He has authored numerous publications about the Bar Harbor and Mount Desert Island region. He holds more than 220 individual awards from the Maine, New England and national newspaper associations for writing, columns, analysis, photography and layout and design. He is an adjunct faculty member at College of the Atlantic in Bar Harbor, and he serves on many area boards of directors. We extend our congratulations to Earl Brechlin on this outstanding achievement; (SLS 620)

Micah Reitze, of Palmyra, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 59, 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, Micah conducted a food drive for the local food pantry in Palmyra. He

also got a chest freezer donated to the food pantry. We extend our congratulations to him on this achievement; (SLS 621)

Cheryl A. Pike, of Farmington, on the occasion of her retirement after 35 years as an educator. Ms. Pike was a teacher's aide at Wilton Academy, a teacher at Weld Elementary School, a teacher at W.G. Mallett School in Farmington, a practicum supervisor at the University of Maine at Farmington and Principal at the Cape Cod Hill School in New Sharon. During her 35 years she has served on various councils and committees and has served as the Farmington Ski Club President and is active in her church. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Pike for her dedication to the youth of the State and wish her well in her future endeavors; (SLS 622)

Dan Gazette, of Farmington, upon his retirement after 21 years of service at Regional School Unit 9 as Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this occasion; (SLS 623)

Adam Bouchard, 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 extend our congratulations to Adam on this achievement; (SLS 624)

Derwood P. Sawtelle, of Saco, on the occasion of his retirement as Captain after 25 years of dedicated public service with the Saco Fire Department Call Division. Mr. Sawtelle began his career as a member of the North Saco Volunteer Fire Department, following in the footsteps of his father-in-law, Francis Nason. We extend our congratulations and best wishes on his retirement; (SLS 625)

Michael D. Goulet, of Saco, on the occasion of his retirement as Captain after 35 years of dedicated public service with the Saco Fire Department Call Division. Mr. Goulet began his career as a Junior Firefighter. He became a member of the United States Marine Corps, serving in Okinawa from 1970 to 1972. We extend our congratulations and best wishes on his retirement; (SLS 626)

Mark G. Willett, of Saco, on the occasion of his retirement as District Chief after 50 years of dedicated public service with the Saco Fire Department Call Division. Mr. Willett began his career as a Junior Firefighter. He enlisted in the United States Army and served a tour of duty in Vietnam from 1967 to 1968. We extend our congratulations and best wishes on his retirement; (SLS 627)

Edward E. Dube, of Saco, on the occasion of his retirement as Deputy Fire Chief after 40 years of dedicated public service, 33 years with the Saco Fire Department Call Division. Mr. Dube began his career as a Junior Firefighter with the Camp Ellis Volunteer Fire Department, then transferred to the Call Division. We extend our congratulations and best wishes on his retirement; (SLS 628)

Rick F. Gallant, of Saco, on the occasion of his retirement after 25 years of dedicated public service with the Saco Fire Department Call Division. Mr. Gallant served with his brother Paul, living the motto, "Loyal to our duty." We extend our congratulations and best wishes on his retirement; (SLS 629)

Louis J. Lavigne, of Saco, on the occasion of his retirement after 28 years of dedicated public service with the Saco Fire Department Call Division. Mr. Lavigne has been instrumental as Santa's helper, seeing that the annual Holiday Observance is a success. We extend our congratulations and best wishes on his retirement; (SLS 630)

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Paul R. Gallant, of Saco, on the occasion of his retirement after 26 years of dedicated public service with the Saco Fire Department Call Division. Mr. Gallant served for 25 years with his brother Rick, living the motto, "Loyal to our duty." We extend our congratulations and best wishes on his retirement; (SLS 631)

Nana Rae Fisher Haines, of Phillips, a longtime active member of the community. Mrs. Haines was born in Des Moines, Iowa, and attended North High School in Des Moines and then Long Beach City College and Long Beach State College in Long Beach, California. She lived many years in southern California working in the steamship industry in the ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach. Mrs. Haines published a book relating to international trade and taught a course about the subject at the Travel and Trade Career Institute in Long Beach and East Los Angeles Community College in Los Angeles. Her book was widely used as a textbook in trade schools and in many university libraries across the United States. After moving to Maine, she was a correspondent for the [I]Franklin Journal[I] and [I]Sugarloaf Irregular[I]. In more recent years, Mrs. Haines served as Chair of the Board of Literacy Volunteers for Franklin and Somerset counties and was a volunteer in the chaplain's office at Franklin Memorial Hospital in Farmington. She served as Past President of the Prescott-Fairbanks American Legion Auxiliary in Phillips and was Past State Chapeau of the Eight and Forty of Maine. As a member of the Phillips Congregational Church, Mrs. Haines served in many capacities at the local, county and state levels. She will be greatly missed and long remembered by her loving family and many friends; (SLS 632) (memoriam)

Moirra Hastings Fuller, of Winthrop, who is the recipient of the Claddagh Award from the Maine Irish Heritage Center for her dedication and generosity to communities throughout the State. Of the 6 Claddagh Award recipients, Mrs. Fuller is the first who is Irish born. We extend our appreciation to Mrs. Fuller and congratulate her on her receiving this distinguished award; (SLS 633)

Robert J. Rocheleau, of Lewiston, on the occasion of his retirement after almost 28 years of dedicated service to the State at the Office of the State Auditor. We send our appreciation to Mr. Rocheleau for the commitment, professionalism and skills he has brought to all aspects of his work. We congratulate him on his retirement and send him our best wishes; (SLS 634)

Kezar Falls Circulating Library, of Parsonsfield, on the 100th anniversary of its incorporation. Kezar Falls Circulating Library was first started in 1896 by area women as a way to share their books and magazines. It was incorporated on July 10, 1913, and the present library building, designed by John Calvin Stevens, was completed in 1925. The library has improved literacy in Kezar Falls and serves the 3 towns that come together in the village of Kezar Falls: Hiram, Porter and Parsonsfield. We extend our congratulations to the staff and patrons of Kezar Falls Circulating Library on this special occasion and send them our best wishes; (SLS 635)

Stephanie Anderson, of Portland, who is the recipient of the Community Vision Award from Day One for her leadership in highlighting the important role parents play in preventing youth substance abuse. Ms. Anderson is the District Attorney for Cumberland County. We congratulate Ms. Anderson on her receiving this well-deserved award; (SLS 636)

The family of Bill Burke and the Sea Dogs Organization, of Portland, who are the recipients of the Community Leadership Award from Day One for their outstanding commitment to youth and for their leadership as strong, active and contributing

members of the community. We congratulate Mr. Burke, his family and the Sea Dogs Organization on their receiving this well-deserved award; (SLS 637)

Cape Elizabeth High School boys cross-country team, on its winning the 2013 Class B Cross-country State Championship. We congratulate the members of the team on this achievement and send them our best wishes; (SLS 638)

Douglas Michael, of Bar Harbor, on his retirement as Executive Director of Healthy Acadia and for his outstanding leadership and his efforts in building healthier communities across the Downeast Acadia region of Maine. Mr. Michael established Healthy Acadia in 2001 under the auspices of Mount Desert Island Hospital. During the past 12 years under Mr. Michael's guidance, the organization has grown from 2 employees serving 15,000 people in 7 towns to a professional organization of 14 employees serving 90,000 people in the Downeast Acadia region. Healthy Acadia is recognized nationally for creating lasting improvements to the health of communities by connecting individuals with health supports, building partnerships, coordinating education and prevention services and improving policies and environments. We extend our deepest appreciation and gratitude to Mr. Michael for his work with Healthy Acadia during the past decade and best wishes for success in his future endeavors; (SLS 639)

The following members of the Ellsworth High School boys cross-country team, who have won the 2013 Eastern Maine Class B Cross-country Championship: runners Dan Curtis, Brayden Beardsley, Robert Looker, Frank King, Cooper Holmes, Conrad Svec and Adam Hitchcock; alternates Nate Stephenson, Noah Robidoux and Talor Hamilton; head coach Andy Beardsley; and assistant coaches Louie Luchini and Matt Homich. This is the second straight Eastern Maine Championship for the school. We extend our congratulations to the members of the team on this accomplishment and send them our best wishes; (SLS 640)

Adam and Sheila Nappi, owners and operators of Bow Street Market in Freeport, who were named the 2013 Maine Grocer of the Year by the Maine Grocers Association and Maine Food Producers Alliance. We extend our congratulations to Adam and Sheila Nappi and to the employees of Bow Street Market on their receiving this honor; (SLS 641)

Duluth Everard Wing, of Eustis, a longtime forest ranger for the Maine Forest Service. Mr. Wing was born in the village of Flagstaff and graduated from Flagstaff High School. He married Betty A. Petty in 1948 and they lived in Flagstaff until it became Flagstaff Lake in 1950, and they moved to Eustis. Mr. Wing was a forest ranger for the Maine Forest Service for 38 years, first as a watchman on Bigelow Mountain, then he was promoted as a patrolman in the Flagstaff area and then he was promoted to the rank of district ranger as supervisor of the Dead River District until his retirement in 1983. He served in the Army Reserves in 1948 and 1949. Mr. Wing was a member of several area historical societies. He was a board member and past president of the Flagstaff Chapel Association and the current sexton of the Flagstaff Cemetery, a position that he held for nearly 50 years. In addition to his work as a ranger, Mr. Wing was active in law enforcement as a part-time deputy of the Franklin County Sheriff's Department and was a proud life member of the National Rifle Association. He served his community as a longtime member of the Eustis Planning Board and was active for many years in numerous fraternal organizations. Mr. Wing will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving wife, Betty, his family and his friends; (SLS 642) (memoriam)

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Chris Bourassa, of Mercer, who is the recipient of the Mary Rines Thompson Award. Created by the United Way of Greater Portland in 1985, the Mary Rines Thompson Award is presented annually to an individual who epitomizes the spirit of volunteerism. Ms. Bourassa's sales of unique bracelets have raised over \$15,000 in one year to help children who are in need. We congratulate her on her receiving this honor; (SLS 643)

Greg Scott, of Augusta, on the occasion of his retirement after 34 years of dedicated service to the Department of Education. Mr. Scott joined the department in 1979 as an Education Specialist II in the Division of Special Education and he later became the federal and state Education Program Coordinator. In the 1980s, he served as liaison to the Legislature, and in addition to his legislative responsibilities he took on additional assignments such as instructional technology and school approval and accreditation. In 2000, Mr. Scott was promoted to Education Team/Policy Director and served as a member of the commissioner's Leadership Team. He coordinated legislative policy and activities; he managed the annual regulatory agenda; he provided supervision for home schooling, public and private school approval, public school accreditation, school enrollment and educational opportunities for military children; and he provided legislative and regulatory support to the State Board of Education. Mr. Scott has been invaluable to the department through the years and we send him our appreciation for his years of service and commitment to education and to the State. We congratulate him on his retirement and send him our best wishes; (SLS 644)

Greg Coniff, of Augusta, on the occasion of his retirement from the Augusta Fire Department. Mr. Coniff is retiring after 25 years of service, 9 years with the City of Gardiner and 16 years with the City of Augusta. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Coniff for his dedication to the citizens of the State and wish him well in his future endeavors; (SLS 645)

Beverly L. Sylvester, of Andover, who celebrated her 90th birthday on August 24, 2013. Mrs. Sylvester was born August 23, 1923. She is the mother of 10 children and is a great-great-grandmother. Family members came from around the country to help her celebrate this notable birthday. We send her our congratulations and best wishes; (SLS 646)

Dr. Hadley Parrot, of Bangor, a pillar of the medical community in Bangor for more than 50 years. Dr. Parrot was an internal medicine physician with an interest in cancer treatment. He was a leader of Eastern Maine General Hospital's medical staff in the late 1960s and medical staff president in 1967 and 1968. He played a large role in supporting the vision for a new patient tower, a new medical office building and an expansion of teaching and research programs, all of which helped what is now called Eastern Maine Medical Center expand to become a regional hospital providing modern medical care for northern, eastern and central Maine. Dr. Parrot was appointed chief of medical service in 1973, in time for the opening of the Grant Tower and to preside over a tremendous expansion in medical subspecialties. He became Eastern Maine Medical Center's first medical oncologist and the first head of the oncology section of the medical staff. Dr. Parrot also was responsible for initiating clinical cancer research. In 1981, he was awarded the Eastern Maine Medical Center's Distinguished Service Award for his service and work on behalf of the center and its patients. The Hadley Parrot Health Science Library at Eastern Maine Medical Center honors his deep commitment to medical education and continuous learning. Dr. Hadley will be greatly missed and long

remembered by his loving family and those whose lives he touched; (SLS 647) (memoriam)

Everard and Jeannette Nadeau, of Winslow, on the occasion of their 60th Wedding Anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Nadeau were married on October 3, 1953 at the Sacred Heart Church in Waterville. They are the parents of 2 sons, Steve and Gary. We extend our congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Nadeau on this anniversary and send them our best wishes; (SLS 648)

Aaron J. Nordwall, of Harpswell, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 642, 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 service project, Aaron made improvements to Johnson Field Preserve in Harpswell, including improving drainage to a culvert, repairing 2 picnic tables and building 3 new ones, removing a garage door and cleaning up brush. We extend our congratulations to him on this achievement; (SLS 649)

Matthew S. Halpin, of Harpswell, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 642, 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 service project, Matthew constructed and placed 6 United States Flag disposal boxes for the Town of Harpswell. He placed one at the town's recycling center, 3 at United States Post Offices and 2 at local libraries. We extend our congratulations to him on this achievement; (SLS 650)

Ian J. Hathaway, of Harpswell, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 642, 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 service project, Ian made improvements to a land preserve on Mackerel Cove in Harpswell, including replacing parking lot sign posts and building a parking area boundary, improving drainage around a boat house and removing brush near the shore to improve visibility. We extend our congratulations to him on this achievement; (SLS 651)

Lewis Linwood Locke, of Lyman. Mr. Locke was born in New Gloucester and attended school through the 8th grade before leaving to help his father run Opportunity Farm in New Gloucester. He served in the United States Army and drove a tank during the Berlin Wall crisis and later joined the National Guard. Mr. Locke worked at Bancroft and Martin as a crane operator and steel cutter for 29 years and as a baker at Dunkin' Donuts from 1973 to 1981. He was an emergency medical technician with the Scarborough Fire Department and Rescue, and he also served with AMR ambulance service for 20 years. His most recent employment was driving a wheelchair van for Seacoast Chair Car Service. Mr. Locke was a member of Orchard Lodge No. 215, a member of Annette Chapter OES, a member of Cape Elizabeth Grange and Cumberland County Pomona Grange. He was also a member of the AMVETS of Scarborough and Legion Post 0076 of Scarborough. Mr. Locke will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving family and friends; (SLS 652) (memoriam)

William "Billy Mac" McIntire, of Ogunquit, a well-known, lifelong fisherman and captain of the [I]Clover[I]. Mr. McIntire was popular in the community and was described as a living legend by New England blue fin tuna harpooners. He will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving family and many friends; (SLS 653) (memoriam)

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April Dufoe, of Kennebunkport, Town Clerk and Registrar of Voters, on her receiving the 2013 Lorraine M. Fleury Award from the Secretary of State. The award honors an individual who has made a significant contribution to the election process and who exemplifies the qualities of fairness, experience, knowledge and service. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Dufoe on her receiving this well-deserved award, and we send her our best wishes; (SLS 654)

Anne Hane, of Arundel, on her receiving the Lauren Shulman Volunteer of the Year Award from Southern Maine Medical Center. This award is given to those who best exemplify the volunteer spirit with enthusiasm and support for Southern Maine Medical Center, dependability and contributions of time and energy. Ms. Hane has been a volunteer for 8 years, volunteering for more than 4,000 hours. We congratulate her on her receiving this well-deserved award; (SLS 655)

Sam Adams, of Sanford, a Sanford High School softball player, who was named the 2013 Pitcher of the Year by the Southwestern Maine Activities Association. We extend our congratulations to Sam on her receiving this well-deserved honor and we send her our best wishes on her future endeavors; (SLS 656)

The Richmond High School Boys Soccer Team, on its winning the 2013 Western Class D regional championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the members of the team on their achievement; (SLS 657)

The Williams-Cone School, of Topsham, an elementary school in MSAD 75, which was one of 236 public schools across the country named a National Blue Ribbon School by the United States Secretary of Education. It is the only school in the State to be given this honor. We congratulate the Williams-Cone School on its receiving this designation; (SLS 658)

Hushai Thomas, of Palermo, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 222, 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 him on this achievement; (SLS 659)

Maurice and Barbara Bard, of Fairfield, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Bard were married on August 24, 1963 at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Fairfield. They have 5 children, 15 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren. We congratulate them on their Golden Anniversary; (SLS 660)

Mildred Rennie, of Springvale, on the occasion of her 105th birthday, December 1, 2013. She was born in Rhode Island and married Elwood Rennie in 1936. She has 5 children, 17 grandchildren, 47 great-grandchildren and 4 great-great-grandchildren. We send her our congratulations and best wishes on her birthday; (SLS 661)

James and Donna Cobb, of Windham, on the celebration of their 50th Wedding Anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Cobb were married December 7, 1963 in Mechanic Falls. In 1965, they built their home on Park Road in Windham, where they continue to reside. They have 4 children, 10 grandchildren and one great-grandchild. We send them our congratulations and best wishes on their Golden Anniversary; (SLS 662)

Andre Emerson Cushing, Jr., of Hermon, known as Buddy. Husband of Jane Purcell Cushing, he served 3 years in the United States Army during the Korean War, and then went on to work for the Penobscot County Sheriff's Office. Buddy received an Associate Degree in Forest Management from the University

of New Brunswick, Canada and an Associate Degree in Food Management from Eastern Maine Technical Institution. He was a Registered Maine Guide and, with his wife and children, proudly operated Cushing's Allagash Gateway Campground on Ripogenus Lake. Buddy was a member of the Jaycees, Shriners, Masons, Kiwanis International, Bangor City Club and Peony Society of Maine. Gardening, traveling and spending time with his family and friends brought him abundant joy. Buddy will always be remembered for his kindness, patience and compassion. He will be dearly missed by his wife, Jane, his children, grandchildren and other family members and his many friends; (SLS 663) (memoriam)

Robert McAleer, of Harpswell, director of the Maine Emergency Management Agency, who is retiring after more than 40 years of dedicated public service. Mr. McAleer guided the State's emergency services through 12 major disasters during his tenure and also served as Acting Commissioner of the Department of Defense, Veterans and Emergency Management. We send him our appreciation for his dedicated service to the State and the Nation, and we congratulate him on his retirement; (SLS 664)

Southwest Harbor Public Library, on its being designated by the [I]Library Journal/[I] as one of America's Star Libraries for 2013, receiving 5 stars. It is one of only 5 libraries in Maine to be named a Star Library. The designation is based on per-capita statistics, including library visits, circulation, program attendance and public Internet computer use, for public libraries with a population service area of more than 1,000 and total operating expenditures of at least \$10,000. We extend our congratulations to Southwest Harbor Public Library on its receiving this designation; (SLS 665)

The Mount Desert Island High School Girls Cross-Country Team on its winning the 2013 Class B State Championship. This is the 3rd title in a row for the Trojans, the team having won the championship in 2011 and 2012. We extend our congratulations to the team on this outstanding achievement and offer the team our best wishes; (SLS 666)

The Foxcroft Academy Field Hockey Team, of Dover-Foxcroft, on its winning the 2013 Class C State Championship. We congratulate the members of the team on their achievement; (SLS 667)

Thelma Foss, of Skowhegan and formerly of Athens. Mrs. Foss, born in Madison, attended Madison schools and was a longtime resident of Athens. Mrs. Foss and her husband owned grocery stores in Pittsfield, Unity and North Anson. After retirement, they owned and operated Smitty's Campground and the dance hall for a few years before retiring again. She will be greatly missed by her loving family and friends; (SLS 668) (memoriam)

The Hampden Academy Boys Soccer Team on its winning the 2013 Eastern Maine Class A regional championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the members of the team on this achievement; (SLS 669)

Sharon Paul, of Bangor, who was named by [I]POZ/[I] magazine to the 2013 POZ 100, a national list of unsung heroes fighting against HIV and AIDS. Ms. Paul is an HIV and AIDS educator who works with Penobscot Community Health Care and the Eastern Maine AIDS Network. [I] POZ/[I] magazine is a print and online magazine for people living with and affected by HIV and AIDS. We send Ms. Paul our appreciation for her work with the community and congratulate her on being named to the list; (SLS 670)

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Robert and Louise Stickney, of Rumford, who have been named Rumford Citizens of the Year for 2013. We extend our appreciation to Mr. and Mrs. Stickney for all they do for the Rumford community and congratulate them on their receiving this recognition; (SLS 671)

Judith Kuhn, of Rumford, on the occasion of her retirement after 44 years as Director of the Rumford Association for the Advancement of the Performing Arts. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Kuhn on her commitment to the citizens of the Town of Rumford and wish her well in her future endeavors; (SLS 672)

Inland Hospital, in Waterville, which was named one of the 2013 Leapfrog Top Rural Hospitals for its delivery of high-quality care. The Leapfrog Group bases its competitive national comparison of hospitals on the key issues of quality, safety and efficiency and recognizes hospitals for the quality of care that prevents medical errors, reduces mortality rates for high-risk procedures and reduces hospital readmissions. We extend our congratulations to Inland Hospital on its earning this distinction; (SLS 673)

Wilda Steinkuhler, of Brunswick, who was presented with the distinguished Silver Eagle Award as the Midcoast's longest-living veteran. Ms. Steinkuhler was honored for her 30 years of service at the 42nd Annual Joshua Chamberlain Award and Veterans Gala. A veteran of World War II, she served as a United States Navy medic and as an active-duty servicewoman during the Korean War. She toured with the United States Marine Corps and served at Brunswick Naval Air Station. She is the recipient of the World War II Victory Medal, the American Defense Service Medal and the National Defense Service Medal. We send our appreciation to Ms. Steinkuhler for her commitment to the military and to the Nation, and we extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on her receiving this award; (SLS 674)

The Portland Marriott at Sable Oaks, of South Portland, on the occasion of its 25th Anniversary of serving the greater Portland community. We extend our congratulations to the Portland Marriott at Sable Oaks and send our best wishes to the establishment on its future success; (SLS 675)

The Richmond High School Girls Soccer Team, on its winning the 2013 Western Class D regional championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the members of the team on their achievement; (SLS 676)

The Cape Elizabeth High School Girls Soccer Team on its winning the 2013 Class B State Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the members of the team on their achievement; (SLS 677)

Gene Vahey, of Portland, on his retirement after 37 years as an employee of Day One, a substance abuse treatment center for Maine youth. Mr. Vahey has been a leading force in Maine in this field, and hundreds of youths have benefitted from his special combination of skills, integrity and experience. He also was a critical factor in the success of the Day One residential treatment program as an advocate for children. We send him our appreciation for his many years of serving the community and send him our best wishes on his retirement; (SLS 678)

The Honorable Mark D. Johnston, Mayor of Saco, for his longtime service to his community. Mayor Johnston has served 7 terms as mayor, starting in 1989. Before he became mayor of Saco, he served one term as a City Councilor and served on the Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals simultaneously for 12 years. As mayor, he was instrumental to the success of numerous city initiatives, such as bringing the city's bond rating

up to good standing, renovations at City Hall and Main Street and the construction of a new police station. We send Mayor Johnston our appreciation for his exemplary public service and our very best wishes; (SLS 679)

Sam Parkinson, of Cumberland, 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, Sam built benches and tables and replanted the garden at the Cumberland library. We extend our congratulations to him on this achievement; (SLS 680)

Gage Gallati, of Cumberland, 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, Gage built an information and storage kiosk for the Cumberland Community Garden. We extend our congratulations to him on this achievement; (SLS 681)

Scott Karczewski, of Augusta, on the occasion of his retirement as the Regional Office Director of the Maine VA Medical Center in Togus after 40 years of dedicated service. Mr. Karczewski served in the United States Navy from 1971 to 1975 aboard the [I]USS John F. Kennedy[I]. He graduated from the University of Maine and then worked in a variety of positions at the center before being named Director in 2009. We send him our appreciation for his commitment to veterans and to the Nation, and we extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on his retirement; (SLS 682)

G. Dean Crocker, of Augusta, on the occasion of his retirement from a long and distinguished career as an advocate for children's welfare. Mr. Crocker received his bachelor's degree in 1969 from the University of Maine and a master's degree in social welfare in 1972 from Boston College. He has served as the Assistant Director of the Maine Human Services Council, Executive Director of Advocates for the Developmentally Disabled, Regional Manager of Children's Residential and Diagnostic Services of Community Health and Counseling Services, Unit Manager for Child and Family Services of Tri-County Mental Health Services, Executive Director of C.A.R.E.S., and Ombudsman for Child Welfare Services of the Maine Children's Alliance. We send our appreciation to Mr. Crocker for his commitment to his profession and child and family services. We extend our congratulations to him on his well-deserved retirement and send him our best wishes; (SLS 683)

Eugene and Joyce Stevens, of Oakland, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, September 21, 2013. Mr. and Mrs. Stevens were married at the Baptist Church in Oakland by Reverend James Ashton. They have 2 daughters and 4 grandchildren. Mr. Stevens is retired from School Administrative District No. 47 and Mrs. Stevens is retired from the [I]Kennebec Journal[I]. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Stevens on this very special occasion; (SLS 684)

Dana S. Eames and Beverly M. Eames, of Farmington, on the occasion of their 69th Wedding Anniversary, August 19, 2013. Mr. and Mrs. Eames were married in Auburn by Reverend John Whitney MacNeil. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Eames on this special occasion; (SLS 685)

Lewis Abbott, of Phillips, on the celebration of his 95th birthday, November 5, 2013. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. Abbott on this very special occasion; (SLS 686)

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Mt. Abram Regional High School Boys Soccer Team, of Salem, on its receiving the 2013 Western Maine Class C Sportsmanship Award. We extend our congratulations to the team on its achievement; (SLS 687)

Allen Holmes, of Belfast, on the occasion of his induction into the Maine Field Hockey Association Hall of Fame. Mr. Holmes coached field hockey at Belfast Area High School for 40 years before he retired in 2012. He is one of 2 Maine field hockey coaches to amass more than 400 career coaching wins. We congratulate him on his being inducted into the Maine Field Hockey Association Hall of Fame; (SLS 688)

Sidney Epstein, of Bangor, a longtime and prominent member of the community, known for his work in the movie theater and real estate industries and for his civic contributions. Mr. Epstein was born in Bangor and graduated from Bangor High School in 1931. He was a 1935 graduate of the University of Pennsylvania Wharton School. He was a United States Marine Corps veteran of World War II. Mr. Epstein worked in the movie theater business for many years and then went into commercial real estate development, contributing much to the expansion of the downtown area of the City of Bangor. He served as a director of the former Northeast Bank, was president of the Jewish Community Center and was a lifelong member of Congregation Beth Israel. Mr. Epstein also was a member of the Kiwanis Club of Dover-Foxcroft for 75 years. Mr. Epstein will be long remembered and greatly missed by his family and friends; (SLS 689) (memoriam)

Mary Ann Brown, of West Paris, who was named the Charlie Goodspeed Kiwanian of the Year. The award is given annually to a member of the Norway-Paris Kiwanis Club who has gone above and beyond to serve the Oxford Hills community. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Brown for her commitment to the people of the Oxford Hills community and congratulate her on her receiving this award; (SLS 690)

Dick and Mary Pelkey, of Lincoln, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, November 16, 2013. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Pelkey on their Golden Anniversary; (SLS 691)

Thomas S. Carey, of Rumford, of the law firm of Carey and Associates, P.A., who was acknowledged by the Maine Supreme Judicial Court's Katahdin Counsel Recognition Program for his generous donation of over \$55,000 worth of legal work on one case. The Katahdin Counsel Recognition Program was established to honor the [I]pro bono[I] work of Maine's lawyers and to encourage more lawyers to provide such services. Mr. Carey received the award for his extensive work over 5 years of litigation on a case concerning a bequest intended to address the serious issue of abandoned cats in the town of Dixfield. We send our appreciation to Mr. Carey for his exemplary volunteerism and we congratulate him on his receiving this honor; (SLS 692)

Fairview Elementary School, of Auburn, which has won the U.S. Cellular 2013 Calling All Communities campaign. This campaign challenges schools to rally community support for the chance to win \$25,000 to fund the projects their students need the most. The schools that garner the most community votes win. We congratulate Fairview Elementary School on its success; (SLS 693)

Rebekah Applin, of Wiscasset, on the occasion of her retirement after 32 years working for the Town of Wiscasset. We send our congratulations and best wishes to Ms. Applin on her retirement; (SLS 694)

Sarah Pelletier, of Lewiston, who has won the Women's Tri-State Tournament in bowling, which was held this year in Vermont. We extend our congratulations to her on this achievement and send her our best wishes for future success; (SLS 695)

Luke Ruffing, of Manchester, a senior at Maranacook Community High School, who was named the 2013 [I]Kennebec Journal[I] Golfer of the Year for the 2nd year in a row. Luke is also the 2013 Class B Individual State Golf Champion. We extend our congratulations to Luke on his remarkable achievements and send him our best wishes on his future endeavors; (SLS 696)

Allison Lancaster, of Skowhegan, a senior at Skowhegan Area High School, who is the recipient of the 2013 Miss Maine Field Hockey award. A 2-time Kennebec Valley Athletic Conference first team all-star, Allison has won 4 state titles. We extend our congratulations to Allison on her receiving this award and send our best wishes on her future endeavors; (SLS 697)

Shari Templeton, of Wiscasset, a longtime educator, on the occasion of her retirement from teaching after 31 years. Ms. Templeton taught in schools in Connecticut, at Boothbay Region High School and at Lincoln Academy in Newcastle before teaching at Wiscasset High School. She has been at Wiscasset High School for 22 years and is going on to a position with the Maine Department of Education. We send our appreciation to Ms. Templeton for her dedication to education and to the youth of Maine. We send her our best wishes; (SLS 698)

Rosie Lent, of York, who was named a 2013 Volunteer of the Year by the Greater York Region Chamber of Commerce. Ms. Lent is a longtime volunteer in York and has staffed the York Beach information kiosk in the summer. We extend our congratulations to her on her receiving this honor and our appreciation for her public service; (SLS 699)

Barbara Parton, of York, who was named a 2013 Volunteer of the Year by the Greater York Region Chamber of Commerce. Ms. Parton owns Advocate Consulting and volunteered as the instructor for the Greater York Region Chamber of Commerce Young Entrepreneurs Academy, which provides local students in grades 6-12 the opportunity to create a business plan, seek investors and start a business. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Parton on her receiving this honor and our appreciation for her public service; (SLS 700)

Leslie Ware, of York; Barbara Conda, of Kittery; Ellen Baldwin, of Cape Neddick; and Cathy Barnhorst, of Kittery. They are known as the Pink Pals and have been named the 2013 Citizens of the Year by the Greater York Region Chamber of Commerce for their fund-raising and volunteering. The Pink Pals have raised thousands of dollars each year for the Breast Cancer Living Well Fund at York Hospital. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Ms. Ware, Ms. Conda, Ms. Baldwin and Ms. Barnhorst on their being named the Citizens of the Year; (SLS 701)

Sarah Diment, of Cape Neddick, owner of the Beachmere Inn in Ogunquit, who was named the 2013 Innkeeper of the Year by the Maine Innkeepers Association. The annual award is presented to an active innkeeper who has significantly contributed to the development of the Maine Innkeepers Association. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Diment on her receiving this award; (SLS 702)

Allyson Cavaretta, of York, director of sales and marketing at the Meadowmere Resort in Ogunquit, who is the recipient of the 2013 Community Service Award from the Maine Innkeepers

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Association for providing volunteer leadership and generous contributions to many worthy and notable causes. This annual award is presented to lodging operators who have taken part in community activities and have made a contribution, personally or in the name of the business, to the community. The Meadowmere Resort participates in the Maine Innkeepers Association's Hospitality for Habitat program and has consistently raised funds contributing to the \$17,000 annual donation of the association to Habitat for Humanity. Ms. Cavaretta has served on the Board of Directors of the Ogunquit Chamber of Commerce and the Board of Directors of the Friends of the Winn House. She has been very active with the Friends of the Ogunquit Heritage Museum and the Ogunquit Museum of American Art. We congratulate Ms. Cavaretta her on her receiving this well deserved award; (SLS 703)

Lewiston High School, on the school's receiving a 2013 State Farm Celebrate My Drive Award in the Large Schools category. Lewiston High School was awarded \$25,000 by State Farm insurance company for its involvement in State Farm's program that encourages teenagers to celebrate getting their driver's licenses while practicing safe driving habits. The program is designed to rally communities across the United States and Canada to support new drivers while working to prevent teen crashes, reduce injuries and save lives. We congratulate Lewiston High School on its receiving this honor and send our best wishes; (SLS 704)

Doug Allen, of Yarmouth, on the occasion of his retirement as President of Turner Barker Insurance after over 30 years with the company, which is now a Clark Insurance agency. Mr. Allen is a graduate of Wentworth Institute in Boston and studied building construction technology. He began his career as a loss control representative and then worked as a casualty underwriter. He joined Turner Barker Insurance in 1980, and in 1985 he and his partner purchased the agency. In 2001, the agency became part of the Gorham Savings Bank family of companies. During his career, Mr. Allen has served on several agency councils. He has also served with many organizations, including the Town Insurance Committee and Yarmouth Hockey Boosters, and he is a Past President of Yarmouth Little League. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. Allen on his retirement; (SLS 705)

Joshua Richardson, 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. For his Eagle Scout project, Joshua constructed a large outside storage shed at the Windham Veterans Center. We extend our congratulations to Joshua on this achievement; (SLS 706)

Dan Guimond, of Augusta, on the occasion of his retirement after 35 years with the City of Augusta. Mr. Guimond started working for the City of Augusta in 1979 as a public safety dispatcher. In 1981 he began working for the Augusta Fire Department. He was a lieutenant with the fire department for 5 years before being promoted to Battalion Chief in 2009. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Guimond for his commitment to the citizens of Augusta and wish him well in his future endeavors; (SLS 707)

Charles John O'Leary, Jr., of Orono, retired past President of the Maine AFL-CIO. Mr. O'Leary was born in Bangor and was a 1955 graduate of John Bapst High School. He received his bachelor's and master's degrees in history and government from

the University of Maine. He also received a Fulbright grant to study at the American University of Beirut in Lebanon. Mr. O'Leary began his career as a high school history teacher and then left education to join the War on Poverty. He ran worker-training programs for former welfare recipients and spearheaded the Augusta-Gardiner Community Action Program, which included coordinating some of the first Head Start Programs in Maine. In 1968, Mr. O'Leary joined the labor movement, leading a statewide job-training program for the Maine AFL-CIO. In 1972, he became director of the University of Maine's Bureau of Labor Education, and, in 1978, he was elected President of the Maine AFL-CIO, a position he held until his retirement in 1998. As President, Mr. O'Leary worked tirelessly for fair wages, health benefits and safe working conditions for all workers, whether in a union or not. He was recognized during his labor career for his leadership and for his fight to keep jobs in Maine. He served on many boards and commissions, including the National Advisory Committee on Continuing Education, appointed by President Jimmy Carter, and the Board of Trustees of the University of Maine, appointed by Governor John Baldacci. We recognize his long and dedicated career in the labor movement and his commitment to workers and the State. Mr. O'Leary will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving wife, Pamela, his loving family and his many friends whose lives he touched; (SLS 708) (memoriam)

McCain Foods USA, of Easton, on its being named the 2013 Business of the Year by the Central Aroostook Chamber of Commerce. McCain Foods USA was recognized for its many contributions to and support of area events and organizations. We extend our congratulations to McCain Foods USA on its being given this honor and send it our best wishes for continued success; (SLS 709)

Dr. Robert Fernandez, of Kennebunkport, chief of medical staff at Southern Maine Medical Center. Dr. Fernandez was born in Boston and attended Boston Latin, Boston College and the University of Vermont Medical School. He was a veteran of the United States Navy and was a physician at Southern Maine Medical Center for more than 35 years. Dr. Fernandez enjoyed hockey, having played it in the Biddeford hockey league for several decades, and was an avid runner and hiker. He will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving family and many friends; (SLS 710) (memoriam)

The Kennebunk High School Football Team, the Rams, who have won the 2013 Western Maine Class B Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the members of the team on their achievement; (SLS 711)

Debra Hapgood, of Kennebunk, instructor for courses on the introduction to medical sciences and health assisting at the Biddeford Regional Center of Technology, who was named the Maine Career and Technical School Outstanding Educator of the Year. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Hapgood on her receiving this honor and we send her our best wishes; (SLS 712)

Carol Santora, of Kennebunk, who is one of 27 artists from around the world being showcased in a 3-year traveling museum exhibition, "Environmental Impact," that shares the work of leading artists who focus their work on global as well as local environmental issues. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Santora on her receiving this honor; (SLS 713)

Sam Blunda, of Buxton, a teacher at Saco Middle School, who received the 2014 Middle Level Teacher Excellence Award from the International Technology and Engineering Educators Association and the Technology and Engineering Educators

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Association of Maine. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Blunda on his receiving this well-deserved award and send him our best wishes; (SLS 714)

The Old Orchard Beach High School Marching Band, on its winning a Gold Medal at the 30th Annual Marching Bands Finals sponsored by the Maine Band Directors' Association on November 2, 2013. We extend our congratulations to the members of the band on this achievement and we send them our best wishes for future success; (SLS 715)

Gail Merritt, of Saco, who was named the 2013 Outstanding Judicial Employee of the Year by Chief Justice Leigh I. Saufley of the Maine Supreme Judicial Court. Ms. Merritt is the Supervisor of the family division. The award is presented to the person who best exemplifies the qualities of competence in providing court services, commitment to public service, respect, courtesy to fellow employees and members of the public and a willingness to learn and grow. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Merritt on her receiving this honor; (SLS 716)

Gene R. Libby, of Saco, a founding partner of Libby O'Brien Kingsley and Champion, LLC, of Kennebunk, who was selected by his peers to be included in the 2014 edition of [I]The Best Lawyers in America. [I]Mr. Libby was recognized for his work in criminal defense and family law. He has been named in [I]The Best Lawyers in America [I]for the past 10 years. We extend our congratulations to him on his receiving this honor; (SLS 717)

John and Joan Sylvester, of Alfred, who are the recipients of the 2013 Teddi Award from the York County Community Action Corporation for their many years of service to the community. The Teddi Award is presented each year to an individual or group that exemplifies the community spirit and joy of the late Teddi Brunette, a longtime staff member of the corporation. We extend our congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester on their receiving this award; (SLS 718)

Adam Cote, of Sanford, who was honored at the White House as one of 12 local heroes who are Champions of Change at an event celebrating 12 American veterans of Iraq and Afghanistan who have advanced clean energy and climate security. Mr. Cote, a veteran with service in Bosnia and Iraq, was not able to attend in person because he is deployed to Afghanistan as company commander of the Maine Army National Guard 133rd Engineering Battalion's Task Force Black Bear. Mr. Cote is a cofounder and chief executive officer of Thermal Energy Storage of Maine, a company dedicated to providing affordable home heating solutions and enhancing energy independence through the promotion of electric thermal storage heating systems. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Cote on his receiving this honor and send him our best wishes for future success; (SLS 719)

Tim Dickens, of Eastbrook, a dedicated member of his community and public servant to the Town of Eastbrook. Mr. Dickens was serving as First Selectman at the time of his passing and had served many terms on various local nonprofit boards. He was an active member of the Eastbrook Baptist Church, including serving as Moderator of the Board of Trustees. As a passionate blueberry farmer who operated Dickens Farms, he was second runner-up for 2 consecutive years for the Outstanding Young Farmer of the Year award. A dedicated husband, father and grandfather, he will be long remembered and greatly missed by his loving family and many friends; (SLS 720) (memoriam)

Sergeant Chad Abbott, of the Wilton Police Department, for his heroic actions in saving the life of a 15-month-old boy who

wasn't breathing. Sergeant Abbott, responding to an emergency 9-1-1 call, arrived at the child's home with an automatic external defibrillator. He used the defibrillator and performed chest compressions on the boy until medics and members of the Wilton Fire Department arrived. The child was taken to the hospital and is now recovering. We send our appreciation to Sergeant Abbott for his rapid response and heroic action to save the life of the child, and we send him our best wishes; (SLS 721)

Josh Horne, of Farmington, a senior at Mt. Blue High School, who was named the [I]Morning Sentinel[I] Boys Cross-country Runner of the Year. Josh won the 2013 Class A Boys Cross-country State Individual Championship. He is the first male cross-country runner in the school's history to win the Kennebec Valley Athletic Conference Class A Boys Cross-country Individual Championship, the Eastern Maine Class A Boys Cross-country Individual Championship and the state title. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Josh on his remarkable achievements; (SLS 722)

Leona Cross, of Farmington, on her 104th Birthday, November 21, 2013. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this occasion; (SLS 723)

Shiretown Insurance Agency, of Farmington, on its being named the 2013 Small Business of the Year by the Franklin County Chamber of Commerce for its contributions of time and money to many charitable causes over the years. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Shiretown Insurance Agency on its receiving this award; (SLS 724)

Sarah Wade, of Farmington, a senior at Mt. Blue High School, who was named the 2013 Waterville [I]Morning Sentinel[I] Girls Cross-country Runner of the Year. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Sarah on her receiving this honor; (SLS 725)

Franklin Savings Bank, of Farmington, on its being named the 2013 Large Business of the Year by the Franklin County Chamber of Commerce for being a wonderful community partner over the years. Franklin Savings Bank has donated to causes throughout the county. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the bank on its receiving this award; (SLS 726)

The Rotary Club, of Farmington, which was named the 2013 Nonprofit Organization of the Year by the Franklin County Chamber of Commerce. This award was given for the club's support of numerous events in the area, its active leadership role in the county and its dedication to teaching leadership to students of all ages. The Rotary Club is highly regarded for the role its members took in leading efforts to help the devastated community of Lac Megantic, Quebec. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the Rotary Club on its receiving this award; (SLS 727)

The Mt. Blue High School Girls Cross-country Team, of Farmington, which won the 2013 Eastern Class A Good Sportsmanship Award from the Maine Principals' Association. We congratulate the members of the team on their receiving this award; (SLS 728)

The Mt. Blue High School Boys Cross-country Team, of Farmington, which won the 2013 Class A East Good Sportsmanship Award from the Maine Principals' Association. We congratulate the members of the team on their receiving this award; (SLS 729)

Janet Ventrella, of Fayette, who has been named Maine History Teacher of the Year by the Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History. Ms. Ventrella is a 5th grade teacher at Livermore Elementary School. She has been teaching for 10



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years. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Ventrella for her commitment to the youth of the State and congratulate her on her receiving this honor; (SLS 730)

Paul and Irene Sylvain, of Skowhegan, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Sylvain were married on June 1, 1963 at Notre Dame De Lourdes Catholic Church in Skowhegan with the Reverend Leonard Frechette officiating. They have 2 children and 6 grandchildren. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on their Golden Anniversary; (SLS 731)

Mary Farrell Burns, of Augusta, on the celebration of her 100th birthday, February 6, 2014. Mrs. Burns attended Augusta schools. She raised 4 sons, and has 14 grandchildren, 19 great-grandchildren and 3 great-great-grandchildren. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mrs. Burns on this very special occasion; (SLS 732)

The Greater Bangor Area Chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and the University of Maine, on the occasion of their annual celebration in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, January 20, 2014. The event commemorates the life and accomplishments of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. We extend our appreciation to the Greater Bangor Area Chapter of the NAACP and the University of Maine on their honoring Dr. King at these annual celebrations. We join the community in commemorating this great American; (SLS 733)

The members of Clinton Elementary School's Student Council: Maya Chalmers, Jeremiah Christiansen, Storer Boyden, Olivia Luce, Hallie Hotham, Ethan Cochrane, Brooke Butler, Ricky Hamlin, Jorja Furchak and Jade Hanson. The student council organized Hats for the Homeless Day, when students could make a monetary donation to wear a hat in school or bring in winter hats to donate to the Mid-Maine Homeless Shelter. The students raised \$160 and approximately 200 new hats were donated. The student council delivered the donations and had a tour of the shelter. We acknowledge the exemplary work of the student council and send them our best wishes; (SLS 734)

The First Congregational Church of Kittery Point, on the occasion of the 300th anniversary of its founding, as it begins a year of festivities, concerts and worship services to commemorate this important milestone. One of the oldest congregations in the nation, the First Congregational Church was founded in 1714. The church building was constructed in 1730 and is the oldest church building in continuous use in Maine. We congratulate the congregation of the First Congregational Church on this anniversary, and send our best wishes for future success as the members enjoy this year of festivities; (SLS 735)

Cape Air, Augusta's only commercial airline, which is the recipient of a President's Award by the Kennebec Valley Chamber of Commerce. In 2010, Cape Air began its service in Augusta and now connects some 10,000 Maine passengers a year with Boston and the rest of the world. We extend our congratulations to Cape Air on its receiving this award and send our best wishes for its continued success; (SLS 736)

Charlie and Nancy Shuman, of Winthrop, who are the recipients of the Special Service Award given by the Kennebec Valley Chamber of Commerce. Mr. and Mrs. Shuman have owned and operated Charlie's Motor Mall in Augusta since 1986. They take great delight in giving back to the community. They are major benefactors to the United Way, the YMCA, the Kennebec Valley Humane Society, MaineGeneral Hospital as well as local schools, food banks and colleges. We extend our congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Shuman on their receiving this

award and send them our best wishes for continued success; (SLS 737)

Dan Lewis, of Oxford, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 196, 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, Dan built a roof over the entrance ramp at the Anderson/Staples American Legion Post No. 112 in Oxford. We extend our congratulations to Dan on this achievement; (SLS 738)

Jacob Leeman, of Oxford, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 196, 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, Jacob improved the handicap accessibility at the Anderson/Staples American Legion Post No. 112 in Oxford. We extend our congratulations to Jacob on this achievement; (SLS 739)

The Town of Phippsburg, on the 200th anniversary of its incorporation. Annexed to Georgetown in 1741, Phippsburg, named after Sir William Phipps, a former royal governor of Massachusetts, incorporated under its present name in 1814. Phippsburg is the site of the Popham Colony, the first known English settlement attempt in New England. Phippsburg is a major tourist destination, home to Fort Popham State Historic Site and Popham Beach State Park. The town, on the west side of the Kennebec River, has played an important role in the shipbuilding heritage of Maine. We extend our congratulations to the good citizens of Phippsburg as they begin a year-long celebration of their bicentennial and send them our best wishes; (SLS 740)

North Yarmouth Academy, a private, college-preparatory, coeducational school in Yarmouth, on the occasion of its 200th Anniversary. It was first chartered on February 4, 1814, when the Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Governor Caleb Strong, approved the act to incorporate the academy. The first building was built on land in Yarmouth, formerly named North Yarmouth, donated by the Russell family, and the school opened in 1815. North Yarmouth Academy continues to stress mutual respect, trust and community in order to foster integrity, character and intellect in its students. As it observes this special anniversary, North Yarmouth Academy plans an academic year of celebration. We join with the North Yarmouth Academy community, both past and present, in congratulating the school on its bicentennial, and we extend our best wishes for many more years of continued success; (SLS 741)

Ben Lucas, of Augusta, quarterback for the Class B champion Cony High School football team and the most prolific passer in Maine high school history, on his winning the James J. Fitzpatrick Trophy. The Fitzpatrick Trophy is given to the top senior player in high school football in Maine based on voting by the coaches and the media. Ben was also named the 2013 [I]Kennebec Journal[/I] Football Player of the Year and the 2013-2014 Gatorade Maine Football Player of the Year for outstanding athletic excellence, high standards of academic achievement and exemplary character on and off the field. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Ben on his remarkable achievements in high school football; (SLS 742)

Robert N. Jorgensen, of Wells, a longtime prominent member of his community. Mr. Jorgensen was born in Wisconsin and graduated from the University of Wisconsin with a degree in economics. He was a United States Navy veteran of World War

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II, serving aboard troop transports in the Pacific Theater as a radar technician. After he left the service, Mr. Jorgensen and his wife, Rebecca, and their family moved to Illinois and later to Montana, where he owned a Pepsi Cola bottling plant. He sold the bottling plant in 1967 and joined the Peace Corps, serving in Ghana until 1970. In 1971, he and his wife settled in Wells, where he opened R. Jorgensen Antiques. Mr. Jorgensen was an active member of the community. He was a member of the Wells Rotary Club, the Wells-Ogunquit Chamber of Commerce, the Wells Library and the Wells-Ogunquit Historical Society. He will be greatly missed by his family and friends; (SLS 743) (memoriam)

Zach Gilpin, of Hampden, a senior at Hampden Academy, who has scored his 1,000th point in his basketball career. We congratulate Zach on his notable achievement and send him our best wishes on his future endeavors; (SLS 744)

The Honorable Edward Youngblood, of Brewer, who is the recipient of the 2014 Catharine Lebowitz Award for Public Service given by the Bangor Region Chamber of Commerce. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Senator Youngblood on his receiving this award; (SLS 745)

Steven Pound, of Greenville, who is the recipient of the 2014 Arthur A. Comstock Professional Service Award given by the Bangor Region Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Pound is Associate Director of Workforce Development of the Cianbro Institute and Cianbro Companies. He has been recognized by colleagues for his distinguished service to education and has been very active in his community, serving on economic development and health care boards. Mr. Pound, a former public schools superintendent, has partnered the worlds of work and school and has made the education and training opportunities in the Greenville area better. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. Pound on his receiving this award; (SLS 746)

The Cape Elizabeth High School Mock Trial Team, which has won the 2013 Maine State High School Mock Trial Championship, the 4th year in a row that the Cape Elizabeth High School team has won the championship. The team will represent Maine at the National High School Mock Trial Tournament. We extend our congratulations to the members of the team on their winning the state title, and we send them our best wishes on their future endeavors; (SLS 747)

Captain Richard Knight, of Farmington, on the occasion of his retirement after 35 years with the Farmington Fire Rescue Department. Capt. Knight joined the department in 1979, was promoted to lieutenant in 1998 and was promoted to captain in 2001. He was instrumental in training other firefighters on the town's first aerial apparatus. Since 2001, he has helped train students from the Foster Technology Center firefighting program. Capt. Knight was the treasurer of the department's Benevolent Association. He is retired from the United States Postal Service. We extend our appreciation to Capt. Knight for his dedication to the residents of Farmington and Franklin County and wish him well in his future endeavors; (SLS 748)

Clarence M. Ahlquist, of Scarborough. Mr. Ahlquist was born at home in Scarborough and was a graduate of Bessey High School. He served in the United States Coast Guard during World War II and was stationed in the Philippines. Mr. Ahlquist was a reserve police officer for the Town of Scarborough. He worked for many years at Yerxa's Oil and Power Equipment in South Portland and retired from the Scarborough School Maintenance Department. Mr. Ahlquist was an active member of the First Baptist Church in Portland for many years and, in recent

years, he was a member of the Grace Bible Church in Gorham. Mr. Ahlquist will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving family and friends; (SLS 749) (memoriam)

Jack Traps Ice Fishing Outfitters, in Monmouth, on the occasion of its 35th anniversary. We extend our congratulations to Jack Traps Ice Fishing Outfitters on this anniversary and send our best wishes for continued success; (SLS 750)

Carole Knight Haley, of Rangeley Plantation, who served 53 years as the Town Clerk of Rangeley Plantation. Mrs. Haley was born in Farmington and was married to George Maurice Haley. She worked as a cook from 1971 until her retirement in 1999. She will be greatly missed and long remembered by her loving family and friends; (SLS 751) (memoriam)

Kathy Duke, of Biddeford, codirector of the Stone Soup Food Pantry and tireless advocate for the community's poorest citizens. Ms. Duke was involved in the food pantry for more than 10 years, transforming it into a community resource center. As a dedicated community leader, she was known for her efforts to raise money and donations and for inspiring others around her to volunteer, help others and improve their own lives. Ms. Duke, a mother and grandmother, will be greatly missed and long remembered by her loving family, her many friends and those whose lives she touched; (SLS 752) (memoriam)

John Crabtree, of Rockland, who has been named the Citizen of the Year by Rockland Lodge of Elks No. 1008. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. Crabtree on his receiving this honor; (SLS 753)

Dana White, of Rockland, who has been named Officer of the Year by the Rockland Lodge of Elks No. 1008. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. White on his receiving this honor; (SLS 754)

Richard Sprowl, of Warren, who has been named the Elk of the Year by the Rockland Lodge of Elks No. 1008. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. Sprowl on his receiving this honor; (SLS 755)

Peter Farnsworth, of Stratton, on the occasion of his retirement after 25 years of dedicated service as a United States Customs and Border Protection officer. Mr. Farnsworth began his career as an immigration inspector at the Coburn Gore border crossing. We send him our appreciation for his many years of helping to secure our national border and helping lawful trade and travel while enforcing federal law. We send Mr. Farnsworth our best wishes on his future endeavors; (SLS 756)

The Mt. Blue High School Girls Nordic Ski Team, of Farmington, on its winning the 2014 Kennebec Valley Athletic Conference Class A Nordic Skiing Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the team on this achievement; (SLS 757)

Mt. Abram High School Boys Nordic Ski Team, of Salem Township, on its winning the Mountain Valley Conference 2014 Nordic Ski Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the team on this achievement; (SLS 758)

Cole Smith, of Oakland, an 8th grade student at Messalonskee Middle School, who was honored as one of the brightest middle school students in the world by Johns Hopkins University. Cole was selected due to the results of 6 annual tests given by the university's Center for Talented Youth. He scored in the 99th percentile, better than 99 out of 100 test-takers. We send our congratulations to Cole on his exceptional scoring and our best wishes for his future; (SLS 759)

Joshua Allarie, of Sidney, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 401, who has attained the high rank and distinction of Eagle

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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, Joshua coordinated and installed an exterior sports bulletin board at the Sidney Athletic Fields for the Town of Sidney. We extend our congratulations to Joshua on this achievement; (SLS 760)

Dan Gazette, of Farmington, on the occasion of his retirement as administrative assistant to the superintendent of RSU No. 9 after 22 years of service. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Gazette and wish him well in his future endeavors; (SLS 761)

Thomas Faraday, of Carrabassett Valley, a senior at Mount Abram Regional High School, who is a recipient of a Daughters of the American Revolution Good Citizen Award for his dependability, leadership, service and patriotism. We extend our congratulations to Thomas on his receiving this award; (SLS 762)

Tom Hildreth, of Kingfield, of Carrabassett Coffee Company, who is the recipient of the 2013 Allied Member of the Year Award of the Maine Innkeepers Association. A former innkeeper, Mr. Hildreth was recognized for his generous support of the Maine Innkeepers Association and for his contributions to the association's Education Foundation, which provides scholarships for college students. We extend our congratulations to him on his receiving this award; (SLS 763)

Gavin Kane, of Wilton, a varsity high school basketball coach, on his achieving his 500th career victory. Mr. Kane has coached basketball since the mid-1980s and is one of just a few Maine high school coaches who have reached the 500-win level. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Kane on his accomplishment; (SLS 764)

Titcomb Mountain Ski Area, of Farmington, on its 75th anniversary. Titcomb Mountain Ski Area was established in 1939 when a group of skiers met and commenced work on forming the Franklin Ski and Outing Club. Titcomb Mountain was originally called Morrison Hill. In 1945, ski instructor and racer Captain John Abbott Titcomb was killed in action in the Philippines and, in 1949, the mountain was renamed Titcomb Mountain in his memory. By the 1964-65 season, the ski area was offering day and night skiing and had 4 trails, 40 acres of slopes, cross-country skiing and 2 ski jumps. Today the ski area features a 350-foot vertical drop, 3 lifts, 16 trails, snowmaking and night skiing. It is a popular local family resort with an active children's ski school. We extend our congratulations to Titcomb Mountain Ski Area on this special occasion; (SLS 765)

Fay Barbara Adams, of New Vineyard, on the celebration of her 80th birthday, February 18, 2014. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Ms. Adams on this very special occasion; (SLS 766)

Sleeper's Market, in Caribou, on its 100th Anniversary. The store was founded by Joseph Sleeper in 1914. Mr. Sleeper's grandchildren continue to run the family business and serve the community. We extend our congratulations to Sleeper's Market on this centennial celebration and send our best wishes for continued success; (SLS 767)

Chief Kenneth Michaud, of Fort Kent, on the occasion of his retirement after more than 48 years of law enforcement service to the Town of Fort Kent. Chief Michaud began working for the Fort Kent Police Department in 1965 and has spent the last 37 years as chief. We extend our appreciation to Chief Michaud for his dedication to the citizens of the Town of Fort Kent and send him our best wishes in his future endeavors; (SLS 768)

Gabbie St. Peter and Alice Willette, of Waterville, second-grade students at George J. Mitchell School, who have raised over \$1,800 to stock the food pantry at the school. Gabbie and Alice have birthdays in February and asked that instead of presents people help them purchase food for the school's food pantry. This is not the first display of generosity by the girls; for the past 2 years they have collected donations for the Humane Society. We send our appreciation to Gabbie and Alice for their generous efforts to help others and we send them our best wishes; (SLS 769)

The Maine Centers for Women, Work and Community, of Augusta, for its more than 35 years of service. Founded in 1978 as a displaced homemakers program through state legislation, the Maine Centers for Women, Work and Community is the only statewide women's economic development organization in Maine. Organized into 6 regions, it serves all 16 Maine counties from 10 centers and 8 outreach sites and is administered by and operates under the educational tax-exempt status of the University of Maine at Augusta. The Maine Centers for Women, Work and Community has helped over 35,000 individuals through career and life transitions and guided them into jobs, higher education, self-employment and greater economic security for over 35 years. Graduates of the program have found employment, started small businesses, increased their savings and assets and contributed to their communities as active citizens. We congratulate the Maine Centers for Women, Work and Community on its success, and we extend our best wishes; (SLS 770)

Heidi Deery, of Rangeley, on the occasion of her retirement as the girls head basketball coach at Rangeley Lakes Regional School. Coach Deery coached the Lady Lakers for 20 years and was a great basketball player herself. Making the varsity team her freshman year in high school, she played for Scarborough High School for 2 years and then moved to Rangeley for her junior and senior years. In her senior year the team won the state championship. She played basketball at the University of Maine at Farmington and, upon graduation, returned to Rangeley to begin her coaching career. During her first 6 years of coaching, the team won 2 Western Maine titles and a state championship. In 2001 she won a 3rd state championship. In 2013 Coach Deery was inducted into the New England Basketball Hall of Fame. We extend our appreciation to Coach Deery for her dedication to the students of Rangeley Lakes Regional School and wish her well in her future endeavors; (SLS 771)

Brianna Sorensen Hall, of Rangeley, a senior at Rangeley High School, who is a recipient of a Daughters of the American Revolution Good Citizen Award from the Colonial Daughters Chapter of Farmington for her dependability, leadership, service and patriotism. We extend our congratulations to Brianna on her receiving this award; (SLS 772)

The Carrabec High School Girls Basketball Team, of North Anson, on its winning the Western Class C Championship. This is the first regional title for the Carrabec Cobras in girls basketball. The team is coached by Skip Rugh. We extend our congratulations to the team on this achievement; (SLS 773)

Jake Moody, of Wells, a senior at Wells High School, who earned his 1,000th career point as a member of the Wells High School Boys Basketball Team. Jake is the first boys basketball player to achieve this goal at the school. We extend our congratulations to him on his achievement, and we send him our best wishes; (SLS 774)

Priscille Michaud, of Augusta, on the occasion of her retirement after 45 years of teaching. Ms. Michaud did her

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student teaching at Morse High School in Bath in 1968 and began her teaching career at Lisbon Falls Elementary School in 1969 as a part-time French teacher and librarian. Ms. Michaud then taught French at the Buker School in Augusta, where she taught 6th, 7th and 8th graders for 21 years. In 1991, she transferred to Cony High School in Augusta, where she served as a French teacher, department supervisor and French Club advisor until her retirement in January 2014. Ms. Michaud also worked for 12 years with the Rotary Student Exchange Program. We send our appreciation to Ms. Michaud for her long and exemplary commitment both to her profession and to the youth of Maine. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on her retirement; (SLS 775)

Dan Mathieu, of Jay, on the occasion of his retirement as Officer in Charge of the Dryden Post Office after 29 years working for the United States Postal Service. Mr. Mathieu spent most of his career at the Roxbury Post Office before moving on to the Dryden Post Office. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Mathieu and send him our best wishes in his future endeavors; (SLS 776)

Olivia Duron, of Hampden, a senior at Hampden Academy and a member of Girl Scout Troop 199, 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. For her Gold Award project, Olivia created an effective inventory system for the music department of her school. She put in more than 85 hours to complete the project. We send our congratulations to Olivia on this accomplishment; (SLS 777)

Trevor Lyford, of LaGrange, a senior at Penquis Valley High School, who earned his 1,000th career point as a member of the Penquis Valley High School Basketball Team. Only 8 individuals who have attended Penquis Valley High School have reached this milestone, including Trevor's sister, Erica Lyford, and cousin, Erin Weston. We extend our congratulations to Trevor on his achievement, and we send him our best wishes; (SLS 778)

eleven students at Cape Elizabeth High School who won Maine regional Scholastic Writing Awards. Gold Key winners are Kate Hansen, Lily Jordan, Ben Stanley, Eva Miele, Jana Freedman and Natalie Gale. Silver Key winners are Hannah Preble, Caitlin O'Sullivan and Maggie Gleason. Nathaniel Jordan and Amelia Melanson received Honorable Mentions. The Gold Key award students will move on to the national level in the competition, the longest-running program in the United States recognizing young writers. Criteria for receiving the awards include originality, technical skill and the emergence of a personal voice or vision. We congratulate these students on their remarkable achievements and send them our best wishes; (SLS 779)

Thomas Settemire, of Fleming, Ohio and formerly of Warren, 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. Thomas began his scouting career 10 years ago in Warren as a member of Cub Scout Pack 254 and was a founding member of Boy Scout Troop 254. He completed the majority of his scouting accomplishments in Maine, including representing the State at the 2010 National Boy Scout Jamboree. We extend our congratulations to him on this achievement; (SLS 780)

Alex Young, of Rockland, a member of the Husson University football team, who is one of 4 team players named to the 2013

Eastern Collegiate Football Conference First Team All-Conference and one of 7 to be named to the first or second team. Mr. Young, an offensive lineman, was the only offensive player selected as First Team All-Conference. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this honor; (SLS 781)

Theodore A. Temple, Jr., of Bowdoin, 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 service project, Teddy replaced the "Welcome to Bowdoin" sign on Route 125 that commemorated Bowdoin's Bicentennial in 1988. The project required a year of planning and over 140 service hours. We extend our congratulations to Teddy on this achievement; (SLS 782)

Officer Joel Neal, of the Rockland Police Department, on the occasion of his being cited for bravery and receiving a medal. Officer Neal was acknowledged for showing a high degree of initiative, professionalism and courage in an extraordinarily dangerous situation involving a man with a gun who was distraught. He acted at personal risk to himself and went beyond the ordinary call of duty. We congratulate Officer Neal on his receiving this well-deserved medal; (SLS 783)

The Cape Elizabeth High School Speech Team, on its winning the 2014 Maine Forensic League State Speech Championship for the 5th year in a row. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the members of the team on their remarkable achievement; (SLS 784)

Zoe Gillies, of Cape Elizabeth, who is the recipient of a 2014 Prudential Spirit of Community Distinguished Finalist 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. Zoe, a senior at Cape Elizabeth High School, founded Cape Closet, through which she collected and donated 125 prom dresses for local teens who could not afford to purchase their own. She earned a grant to expand her dress project to include body image workshops and mentoring programs, encouraged local schools to sponsor dress drives, worked with local sponsors who donated prom flowers and coordinated with social workers to identify dress recipients. We congratulate Zoe on her receiving this award and thank her for her dedication to her community and State; (SLS 785)

Emily Adams, of Bath, a student at Bath Middle School, who earned first place with a perfect score at the Southern Maine Elementary Math League Math Meet. We congratulate Emily on her achievement and send her our best wishes; (SLS 786)

The Town of Topsham, on the occasion of the 250th Anniversary of its incorporation. The town, named after Topsham, England because many of the founders came from that town, was incorporated in 1764 and is on the easterly side of the Androscoggin River. We send our congratulations and best wishes to the good citizens of Topsham as they celebrate this 250th Anniversary through the year; (SLS 787)

Dave Dorion, of Bath, junior varsity boys basketball coach at Morse High School, on the 50th Anniversary of his coaching basketball and other sports in Bath. Coach Dorion began coaching in Bath in 1964. Morse High School has established the "Coach 'D' Award," which will be presented each year to the faculty member or coach who best exemplifies commitment to the youth of Morse High School. We send our congratulations and

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best wishes to Coach Dorion on his 50 years of coaching the youth of Bath; (SLS 788)

The late Jon Whitten, formerly of Lee, on his being inducted posthumously into the Lee Academy Athletic Hall of Fame. Mr. Whitten was a member of the 1956 graduating class of Lee Academy. The Lee Academy Athletic Hall of Fame was created to honor those individuals who have brought pride, honor and distinction to the academy through participation in sports and service to the community; (SLS 789)

Amanda Gifford, formerly of Lee and a member of the 2008 graduating class of Lee Academy, on her being inducted into the Lee Academy Athletic Hall of Fame. The Lee Academy Athletic Hall of Fame was created to honor those individuals who have brought pride, honor and distinction to the academy through participation in sports and service to the community. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Gifford on her induction into the Hall of Fame; (SLS 790)

Aarika Ritchie, formerly of Lee and a member of the 2008 graduating class of Lee Academy, on her being inducted into the Lee Academy Athletic Hall of Fame. The Lee Academy Athletic Hall of Fame was created to honor those individuals who have brought pride, honor and distinction to the academy through participation in sports and service to the community. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Ritchie on her induction into the Hall of Fame; (SLS 791)

Karin Bird, formerly of Lee and a member of the 2008 graduating class of Lee Academy, on her being inducted into the Lee Academy Athletic Hall of Fame. The Lee Academy Athletic Hall of Fame was created to honor those individuals who have brought pride, honor and distinction to the academy through participation in sports and service to the community. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Bird on her induction into the Hall of Fame; (SLS 792)

Tom Bird, formerly of Lee and a member of the 2007 graduating class of Lee Academy, on his being inducted into the Lee Academy Athletic Hall of Fame. The Lee Academy Athletic Hall of Fame was created to honor those individuals who have brought pride, honor and distinction to the academy through participation in sports and service to the community. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Bird on his induction into the Hall of Fame; (SLS 793)

The "Share the Spirit" students of Mattanawcook Academy, of Lincoln, who donated \$300 to the Town of Lincoln's fuel assistance fund. We extend our appreciation to the students for their contribution to the citizens of the Town of Lincoln. Their generosity exemplifies the spirit of Maine and its citizens; (SLS 794)

Rita Smith, of Temple, to whom the 2014 Annual Town Report of the Town of Temple is dedicated. Ms. Smith is being honored for more than 30 years of service as a Girl Scout leader, mentoring hundreds of girls in the community. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Smith for her contributions to her community; (SLS 795)

Jed Scott, of Sanford, who is the recipient of the Frank J. Gaziano Memorial Offensive Lineman of the Year award. Jed is a senior at Sanford High School and is a two-way lineman for the football team. The award is given annually to the senior top offensive and defensive linemen in the state based on their strong leadership on the field, in the classroom and in the community. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Jed on his receiving this award; (SLS 796)

Ramona Gaudette, of Southport, on the occasion of her retirement after 57 years of preparing meals at the Southport Central School. We send our appreciation to Ms. Gaudette, a former Spirit of America Award winner, for her many years of service to the students of Southport Central School and to her community. We congratulate her on her retirement; (SLS 797)

Megan Ouellette, of Van Buren, who is the winner of the 2014 Northern Star competition. Northern Star is a singing competition that raises money for local charities and is sponsored by the United Way of Aroostook. This year, which is its 10th year, the competition raised approximately \$26,000. The contest is open to residents 12 years of age and older from Aroostook County and to residents from Madawaska, Victoria and Carleton Counties in New Brunswick, Canada. Megan won one of the regional competitions and the final competition round held at the Caribou Performing Arts Center. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Megan on this achievement; (SLS 798)

The Fort Kent High School Ski Team, of Fort Kent, on its winning the overall 2014 Class C State Ski Championship. The girls alpine ski team won 2nd place and the boys alpine ski team won 1st place. The alpine ski team scores were combined with the nordic ski team scores earned the week before to determine the overall State Championship. We extend our congratulations to the members of the boys and girls teams on this achievement; (SLS 799)

Susan Winch, of Scarborough, Assistant Director and Network Administrator, on the occasion of her retirement after 34 years of service to the Scarborough Public Library. We send our appreciation to Ms. Winch for her commitment to her profession and to the Town of Scarborough, and we send our congratulations and best wishes to her on her retirement; (SLS 800)

Delaney Ratner, of Cape Elizabeth, who teaches dogs to compete in agility trials and whose dog, Kelso, won the first-ever agility competition at the 2014 Westminster Kennel Club's annual dog show in New York City, winning over 200 other dogs. Ms. Ratner is a sophomore at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst. We congratulate Ms. Ratner on this achievement and send her our best wishes for future success; (SLS 801)

Fluid Imaging Technologies, in Scarborough, which has received the Robert R. Masterton Award for economic development from the Portland Regional Chamber. Fluid Imaging Technologies is recognized for its contributions to promoting and enhancing the business climate of Greater Portland. We extend our congratulations to Fluid Imaging Technologies on its receiving this award; (SLS 802)

Kay-Ben Farm, of Gorham, on its being named as Outstanding Dairy Farm of the Year and given the New England Green Pasture Award. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Kay-Ben Farm on its receiving this honor; (SLS 803)

The late Richard D. Dutremble, of Biddeford, on his posthumous induction into the Franco-American Hall of Fame. Richard Dutremble was born in Biddeford, the last of 13 children of Honore and Rose Anna Dutremble, and served in the United States Army in Germany. He and his brother Lucien Dutremble were partners in the grocery store business, owning Dutremble Brothers Market in Biddeford. Richard Dutremble was elected Sheriff of York County and served for 15 years, from 1962 to 1977. He was appointed United States Marshall for the State of Maine under President Jimmy Carter's administration and later served as Director of Civil Emergency Preparedness during

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Governor Joe Brennan's terms in office. He returned to law enforcement and followed in his father's footsteps, serving as a Biddeford police officer until his retirement in 1992. Richard Dutremble was inducted into the Maine Baseball Hall of Fame in 1984. We acknowledge Richard Dutremble's service to his community and to the State, and we honor his memory on the occasion of his induction into the Franco-American Hall of Fame; (SLS 804)

Stacey Albert, of Waterville, who is a finalist for the 2014 Hero Award by the Assisted Living Federation of America. Nominated by her coworkers at Woodlands Memory Care of Waterville, where she is a medical technician, Ms. Albert was chosen as one of 15 finalists from 300 nominees. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Ms. Albert on her receiving this well-deserved distinction; (SLS 805)

Connor Elsemore, of York, a sophomore at York High School, who won the Mid-State League Wrestling Championship in the 160-pound weight class. We send Connor our congratulations and best wishes on this achievement; (SLS 806)

Zach Handley, of York, a junior at York High School, who won the Mid-State League Wrestling Championship in the 220-pound weight class. We send Zach our congratulations and best wishes on this achievement; (SLS 807)

The members of the Traip Academy Robotics Team, the "Robo Rangers," of Kittery, who won the Maine VEX Robotics Competition: Joe Lombardi, Chris Bailey, Sean Evans and Jacob Sisk and Coach Joseph Boudreau. The team qualifies to compete in the VEX Robotics World Championships in Anaheim, California in April. We extend our congratulations to the team and extend our best wishes as they prepare for the world championship; (SLS 808)

Isaiah Morrill Albert, of Ellsworth, 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. For his Eagle Scout project, Isaiah constructed a quarantine shelter building for abused and neglected animals at Peace Ridge Sanctuary in Penobscot. We extend our congratulations to him on this achievement; (SLS 809)

Jesse Kimble, of Otis, 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. For his Eagle Scout project, Jesse demolished and rebuilt the boys' baseball dugouts and moved and fixed the scoreboard at Beech Hill School. In addition to securing donated materials for the project, Jesse raised \$1,600. When the project was completed, he used the remaining funds to purchase uniform tops for the boys' baseball team. We extend our congratulations to Jesse on this achievement; (SLS 810)

William Millar, a resident of the Plant Memorial Home in Bath, who is the recipient of a Certificate of Lifetime Achievement award from the Maine Health Care Association's Remember ME project, which honors pioneering, innovative and interesting residents living in Maine's long-term care facilities. We congratulate Mr. Millar on his being recognized by the Remember ME project; (SLS 811)

Alex Quinn, of South Portland, a student at South Portland High School, who received the Division 1 outstanding musician award for trumpet at the 2014 Maine State High School Instrumental Jazz Festival. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this achievement; (SLS 812)

The following Cape Elizabeth High School students who participated in the Johns Hopkins University Model United Nations Conference: Henry Gent, Danny Brett, Alex Mukai and Luke Gilman, and their advisor, Melissa Oliver. The conference is a four-day event every February for some 2,000 high school students from across the country sponsored by the Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies. Henry Gent and Danny Brett received Honorable Mentions for their work and Alex Mukai and Luke Gilman received Outstanding Delegate awards. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the students on their achievements; (SLS 813)

The South Portland High School Jazz Band, on its winning 1st place in the Division 1 competition of the 2014 Maine State High School Instrumental Jazz Festival. We extend our congratulations to the members of the band on this achievement; (SLS 814)

The Westbrook High School Jazz Band, on its winning 2nd place in the Division 1 competition of the 2014 Maine State High School Instrumental Jazz Festival. We extend our congratulations to the members of the band on this achievement; (SLS 815)

Gary Sanville, of Westbrook, a student at Westbrook High School, who received the Division 1 outstanding musician award for tenor saxophone at the 2014 Maine State High School Instrumental Jazz Festival. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on this achievement; (SLS 816)

The Sanford-Springvale Rotary Club, on its collecting nearly 700 pounds of nonperishable goods for the Sanford Food Pantry at a recent fundraiser. We congratulate the club on this accomplishment; (SLS 817)

James Bachelder, of Sanford, who was honored for his 26 years of service to the Sanford veterans community and for the 10 years he has hosted "Sanford Veterans" on local cable television. Members of Sanford's veterans organizations honored him at the American Legion Post 19. Mr. Bachelder has been active with the Sanford Veterans Memorial Committee since 1998. He is a member of Veterans of Foreign Wars 9935 and is a past VFW state commander. We send him our appreciation for his longtime commitment to our Armed Forces veterans; (SLS 818)

Miles Theeman, of Bangor, who is the recipient of the Norbert X. Dowd Award given by the Bangor Region Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Theeman is the vice president and chief sales and marketing officer for Eastern Maine Healthcare Systems. The award, named after Norbert X. Dowd, who ran the Bangor Region Chamber of Commerce for 27 years, is considered the chamber's lifetime achievement award. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. Theeman on his receiving this award; (SLS 819)

Carmen Bragg and Carsyn Koch, of Washburn, who have been selected for the 2014 Maine McDonald's High School Senior All-Star Basketball C/D East girls' team. Selection of the Washburn District High School students was done by ballot returns in a statewide high school basketball coaches' vote by the Maine Association of Basketball Coaches. We extend our congratulations to Carmen and Carsyn on their receiving this honor; (SLS 820)

Roger Pomerleau, of Augusta, who is the recipient of the 2014 Citizen Scout Award presented by the Boy Scouts of America, Pine Tree Council. This award is given annually to an individual who personifies what the Boy Scouts stand for: good citizenship, outstanding moral fiber, dedication to others and

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living by the Scout oath and law. Mr. Pomerleau has served the community for 40 years as a volunteer in the Augusta area, totaling about 20,000 hours of service. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Pomerleau for his commitment to the citizens of the City of Augusta and congratulate him on his receiving this award; (SLS 821)

John Lebel, of Auburn, on the occasion of his retirement after 37 years with the Androscoggin County Sheriff's Department. Mr. Lebel attended local schools and joined the United States Air Force in 1970 serving in England for 4 years as a police officer. He studied for his criminal justice degree at the University of Maine at Augusta and began a work-study job inside the county jail in Auburn. After 2 years as a paid visitor to the county jail, he became a part-time corrections officer. By 1986, Mr. Lebel was promoted to captain and appointed as jail administrator. He worked with other county leaders to lobby for a new jail, which was built in 1990. He encouraged the creation of alternative sentencing programs and pre-trial services that allow inmates to serve their time outside of the jail and he helped develop an education program within the new jail. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Lebel for his commitment to the citizens of the State and wish him well in his future endeavors; (SLS 822)

Richard L. Chick, of Poland, who was the town manager of Poland for 34 years. Mr. Chick was a graduate of South Berwick High School and earned a degree in public management from the University of Maine. After retiring as town manager, he worked as a substitute bus driver for RSU No. 16. He will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving family and his friends; (SLS 823) (memoriam)

The Honorable Vivian St. Onge, of Greene, a former member of the Maine State Legislature and active member of her community. Ms. St. Onge was born in Lewiston and was a graduate of Lewiston High School. She was a small business owner, a youth group leader for Holy Family Church, a lobbyist and a member of the House of Representatives during the 115th and 116th Legislatures. Ms. St. Onge earned her nursing degree at Central Maine Community College and worked as an acute care nurse and as an oncology nurse at hospitals in Lewiston. She was also a successful fund-raiser and was a veteran of the Trek Across Maine, Tour de Cure and other charity rides and helped raise tens of thousands of dollars for the American Lung Association in Maine, the American Diabetes Association and the Patrick Dempsey Center for Cancer Hope and Healing. Ms. St. Onge will be greatly missed and long remembered by her loving husband, Dan, her family and those whose lives she touched; (SLS 824) (memoriam)

Dorothy Schwartz, of Freeport, artist, professor and longtime contributor to art and culture in Maine. Ms. Schwartz was born in Brooklyn, New York and attended Smith College. She was married to Elliot Schwartz, a classical music composer. They moved to Maine when he received a teaching job at Bowdoin College. Ms. Schwartz was executive director of the Maine Humanities Council for 25 years and had an outstanding record of engagement in civic and cultural affairs in Maine and beyond. The Maine Humanities Council is a private nonprofit organization that is Maine's affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities. It offers grants and programs in literature and literacy, teacher enrichment, cultural heritage and contemporary issues, and Ms. Schwartz's vision led the council to distinction on a national level. As an artist, she was a master in the art of printmaking, specializing in woodcuts. She served on many boards, committees and philanthropic organizations and taught at

Bowdoin College and the University of Maine. She was also a trustee at the Maine College of Art for 4 years and was vice chair of the academic and student affairs committee. Ms. Schwartz was an inspiration to many. She will be greatly missed and long remembered by her loving family, her many friends and those whose lives she touched; (SLS 825) (memoriam)

The Mt. Blue High School Boys Ski Team, of Farmington, on its winning the 2014 State Class A Skiing Championship. The team won the State Class A Alpine and Nordic titles. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the team on these achievements; (SLS 826)

Dave Fuller and Shirley Hager, of Chesterville, who are the recipients of the 2014 Outstanding Tree Farm Award for Franklin County given by the Maine Tree Farm Program, which celebrates exceptional member tree farmers in each county every year. Mr. Fuller and Ms. Hager have owned the 25-acre Chesterville Woodlot for 15 years and are recognized for being good stewards of the land and for promoting the Maine Tree Farm Program. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. Fuller and Ms. Hager on their receiving this award; (SLS 827)

Willis and Lila Locke, of Farmington, on the occasion of their 75th Wedding Anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Locke were married in Skowhegan on October 11, 1938. They have 6 children. Mr. Locke, a United States Army veteran, retired from Foster Manufacturing. Mrs. Locke retired from G.H. Bass. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Locke on this very special occasion; (SLS 828)

Evyn Nolette, of Sanford, a member of the Sanford High School Boys Basketball Team, who has been named to the All-Southwestern Maine Activities Association first team. Evyn has also been named to the McDonald All-Star Team. We extend our congratulations to Evyn on these achievements; (SLS 829)

Lindsay Ball, of Benton, who accomplished a 5-year goal to ski the giant slalom at the Sochi 2014 Paralympic Winter Games. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Ball on her achievements and send her our best wishes; (SLS 830)

Andrew Moriarty, of Sanford, a senior at Sanford High School, who won the State Class A Wrestling Championship in the 220-pound weight class. Andrew also won the 220-pound championship in the regionals. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Andrew on these achievements; (SLS 831)

John Morgan, of Sanford, a member of the Sanford High School Boys Basketball Team, who has been named to the All-Southwestern Maine Activities Association second team. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to John on this achievement; (SLS 832)

The members of the Bath Fire and Rescue Department, who rescued a man and his young son from the third floor of a burning building. We extend our congratulations to the Bath Fire and Rescue Department; (SLS 833)

Officer Garrett Olson, of Bath, who has been named the 2013 Officer of the Year. Officer Olson joined the Bath Police Department in 2012. He is a graduate of Franklin Pierce University. Officer Olson was a professional baseball player for the Minnesota Twins and serves as a varsity coach for the Morse High School baseball team. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Officer Olson on his receiving this honor; (SLS 834)

The members of the Cape Elizabeth High School Girls Alpine Ski Team, who won the Class B State Alpine Ski Championship: Sara Paclat, Sophie Hewitt, Abby McInerney, Emma Dvorozniak, Emma Landes, Caroline Paclat, Kinnon McGrath, Haley Fawcett

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and Vicky Szalontai. This is the first Class B State Alpine Ski Championship for the team. Six of the top 9 racers were on the Cape Elizabeth team. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the team on its achievement; (SLS 835)

The woodworking students of Cape Elizabeth High School and their teacher, Jim Ray, who are the recipients of the Camp Susan Curtis Spirit Award. The students built 60 bunk beds for children at Camp Susan Curtis in Stoneham. The new wooden beds replace the metal beds the camp opened with in the 1970s when then Governor Ken Curtis and his wife, Polly, founded Camp Susan Curtis in memory of their daughter Susan. The students are working on the second installment of beds, which should be ready for campers this summer. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the students and Mr. Ray on their receiving this award; (SLS 836)

The Cape Elizabeth High School Boys Basketball Team, which received the Maine Principals' Association Western Maine Class B Good Sportsmanship Award at the State Championship. All the Class B teams in the region vote to determine which team receives the award. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the team on its receiving this award; (SLS 837)

Sam Wood, of Topsham, a senior at Mt. Ararat High School, who won the Class A State Nordic Championships in both the classical and the freestyle races. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Sam on this achievement; (SLS 838)

Felix Thibodeau, of Hermon, who is a recipient of a 2014 Prudential Spirit of Community Distinguished Finalist 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. Felix, a junior at Nokomis Regional High School, raised more than \$15,000 to support homeless veterans through the Togus Veterans Administration Hospital in Augusta. We congratulate Felix on his receiving this award and thank him for his dedication to veterans and to his community and State; (SLS 839)

Dan Gauvin, of Peru, who is the recipient of the Business Recognition Award given by the Maine Association of Police. Mr. Gauvin is the manager of the S.G. Thibault Funeral Home in Rumford. He received the award for his long-standing support of the Rumford Police Department and the community. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Gauvin on his receiving this award; (SLS 840)

Nathan Manaker, of Orono, who won the 3rd Annual Penobscot County Spelling Bee. Nathan is a 7th-grade student at Orono Middle School and will compete in the Scripps National Spelling Bee in May. This national bee is the nation's largest and longest-running educational promotion administered on a not-for-profit basis. We extend our congratulations to Nathan on his achievement and send him our best wishes as he attends the national competition; (SLS 841)

Austin Marhark, of Sanford, who has received a 2014 Southern Maine Real Heroes Award from the American Red Cross for saving the lives of 2 of his friends. Austin and some friends were swimming at Sanford Recreation's swimming area on the Mousam River when 2 of the swimmers got in trouble, and Austin brought them to safety. Austin is a sophomore at Massabesic High School and is contemplating a career as an emergency medical technician. We extend our congratulations to Austin on his receiving this well-deserved honor; (SLS 842)

Judy French, of Alfred, who has received a 2014 Southern Maine Real Heroes Award from the American Red Cross for saving a man's life. Ms. French responded to a rescue call for a possible drug overdose. When she arrived at the scene, the man was not breathing properly and had no pulse. She administered cardiopulmonary resuscitation until Alfred Rescue arrived. Ms. French has been an emergency medical technician for 20 years in Maine and Massachusetts. She is the assistant rescue chief for Alfred Rescue and works part-time for Waterboro Rescue. We extend our appreciation to Ms. French for her commitment to the citizens of the State and congratulate her on her receiving this well-deserved honor; (SLS 843)

Molly Brewer, of Waldoboro, who is the recipient of a Promising Practitioner Award presented by the New England League of Middle Schools. Ms. Brewer is a teacher at Medomak Middle School. The purpose of the award is to honor teachers who are beginning their careers and who are effective middle-level educators who provide powerful learning for their students. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Brewer for her commitment to the youth of the State and congratulate her on her receiving this award; (SLS 844)

The Honorable Herbert Trafton Silsby II, of Ellsworth, a former judge of the Maine Superior Court. Mr. Silsby, born in Brewer, attended Ellsworth High School and graduated from Higgins Classical Institute in 1943. He served in the United States Army during World War II and graduated from Bowdoin College in 1947. Mr. Silsby attended Boston University School of Law but never graduated because he had passed the bar examination at the end of his second year and was admitted to practice in 1949. Throughout his life, Mr. Silsby distinguished himself as a lawyer, jurist, civic leader, Maine and local historian and author. He began his legal career as a member of the law firm of Silsby and Silsby in 1949, practicing with his father and brother. From 1951 to 1955, Mr. Silsby served as an Ellsworth Municipal Court Judge. In 1977, Governor James Longley nominated him to the Maine Superior Court, where he served for 15 years, until his retirement in 1992. He was a member of the Board of Governors of the Maine Trial Lawyers Association, served as the President of the Maine State Bar Association and was a member of the Maine Judicial Council. Mr. Silsby was active in his church and served as a Sunday school superintendent and deacon at the First Congregational Church of Ellsworth. He also was a director of the Maine Conference of Congregational Churches. Mr. Silsby served his community on the Ellsworth City Council, including as chair in 1977, and was honored as the Ellsworth Citizen of the Year in 1993. He served with numerous local organizations, including the Ellsworth Junior Chamber of Commerce, and as trustee of the Ellsworth Public Library. He was a Rotarian for 50 years and was honored twice with the Paul Harris Fellow Award for his commitment to the Rotary Club. Mr. Silsby served as president of the Maine Historical Society and was a member of the American Antiquarian Society. He loved sharing his enthusiasm for history in his popular newspaper column in [I]The Ellsworth American[/I]. Mr. Silsby will be long remembered for his active and distinguished life and greatly missed by his family and many friends; (SLS 845) (memoriam)

David Hackett Fischer, of Wayland, Massachusetts and Bar Harbor, who is the recipient of a Doctorate of Humane Letters from the University of Maine at Fort Kent for his more than 50 years of distinguished scholarship and commitment to education. Dr. Fischer is University Professor and Earl Warren Professor of



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History at Brandeis University and has also been associated with the College of the Atlantic as a board trustee, Harvard University as a visiting lecturer, the University of Washington and Oxford University. He was a Fulbright Distinguished Lecturer at 5 New Zealand universities. Among some of Dr. Fischer's awards for teaching are the Carnegie Prize for Massachusetts Professor of the Year and the Brandeis Alumni Award for Teaching. He won the Pulitzer Prize in History in 2005 for his book [I]Washington's Crossing[I] and has written numerous other prize-winning and notable major publications, including [I]Albion's Seed[I], [I]Paul Revere's Ride[I] and [I]Liberty and Freedom[I]. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Dr. Fischer on his receiving this well-deserved honor from the University of Maine at Fort Kent; (SLS 846)

Maddie Pierce, of Portland, a senior at Casco Bay High School, who is a recipient of a 2014 Principal's Award for outstanding academic achievement and citizenship, sponsored by the Maine Principals' Association. We extend our congratulations to Maddie on her receiving this award; (SLS 847)

Annette Denekas, of Portland, a senior at Portland High School, who is a recipient of a 2014 Principal's Award for outstanding academic achievement and citizenship, sponsored by the Maine Principals' Association. We extend our congratulations to Annette on her receiving this award; (SLS 848)

Christopher Thorne, of Portland, a senior at Deering High School, who is a recipient of a 2014 Principal's Award for outstanding academic achievement and citizenship, sponsored by the Maine Principals' Association. We extend our congratulations to Christopher on his receiving this award; (SLS 849)

The following members of the Lincoln Boys All-Stars, who won the boys division of the 2014 Millinocket Hoop Classic: Brandon Oliver, Brayden Lujan, Cody Hanscom, Domonic Page, Griffin Coburn, Jackson Weatherbee, Scott Dorn, Ben Smith, coach Jeremy Weatherbee and coach "Bub" Hanscom. We congratulate the team on this achievement; (SLS 850)

Pleasant River Lumber, of West Enfield, which has earned a Safety and Health Achievement Recognition Program award. Pleasant River Lumber is one of 66 SHARP worksites in Maine. There are fewer than 2,000 worksites in the United States that have earned SHARP certification. We extend our congratulations to Pleasant River Lumber on its receiving this award; (SLS 851)

Sean Gregory Stewart, of China, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 479, 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 achievement; (SLS 852)

Michael Curtis, of Wells, a member of the Wells High School Wrestling Team, who won the State Class B Wrestling Championship in the 195-pound weight class. Michael was also named the State Champion in the first ever All-State wrestling competition. We send Michael our congratulations and best wishes on these achievements; (SLS 853)

Colin Sevigney, of Wells, a member of the Wells High School Wrestling Team, who won the State Class B Wrestling Championship in the 138-pound weight class. Colin also placed 3rd in the first ever All-State wrestling competition. We send Colin our congratulations and best wishes in these achievements; (SLS 854)

Robert H. Flick, of Farmington, a United States Army veteran of the Korean War. Mr. Flick was born in Caledonia, New York and was a graduate of Griffith Institute in Springvale, New York.

He earned a degree in industrial arts from the State University of New York at Buffalo and a master's degree in guidance from New York University. He retired as a principal at Penfield High School in New York. Mr. Flick enjoyed his retirement in western Maine, devoting countless hours of volunteer work to organizations that improved the quality of life for his fellow citizens in the area. He was a member and past president of the Farmington Historical Society and a 60-year member of the Masonic Lodge. Mr. Flick belonged to the Farmington American Legion and volunteered at Franklin Memorial Hospital for 10 years. A devoted advocate for the needs of children, he enjoyed serving as a director of the RSU 9 school board. Mr. Flick will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving family and many friends; (SLS 855) (memoriam)

Elise Luce, of Carrabassett Valley, a student at Mr. Abram High School, who has been named the [I]Morning Sentinel[I] Girls Alpine Skier of the Year. Elise won the Class B giant slalom for the 4th consecutive year and the Class B slalom for the 3rd consecutive year. She finished first in the giant slalom at the Eastern Maine High School Championships. We extend our congratulations to Elise on her achievements; (SLS 856)

Dan Lesko, of Farmington, a junior at Mt. Blue High School, who has been named the [I]Morning Sentinel[I] Boys Nordic Skier of the Year. Dan achieved a pair of top 10 finishes at the Class A Nordic Ski Championships at Rangeley. We extend our congratulations to Dan on his achievements; (SLS 857)

Sarah Wade, of Farmington, a senior at Mt. Blue High School, who has been named the [I]Morning Sentinel[I] Girls Nordic Skier of the Year. Sarah won her second consecutive state title in the freestyle competition and finished second in the state classical championship for the second consecutive year. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Sarah on her achievements; (SLS 858)

Mike Miller, of Skowhegan, a sophomore at Skowhegan Area High School, who has been named the [I]Morning Sentinel[I] Boys Alpine Skier of the Year. Mike won the giant slalom at the Kennebec Valley Athletic Conference. He also placed 4th in the slalom and 7th in the giant slalom at the Class A State Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mike on his achievements; (SLS 859)

Robert B. Stevens, Sr., of Farmington, a United States Navy veteran of World War II and a longtime teacher and coach. Mr. Stevens was born in Farmington and was a 1943 graduate of Farmington High School. He enlisted in the United States Navy in that year, serving until 1946. He worked for Central Maine Consolidated Power until 1948, when he enrolled in Farmington State Teachers College and in that same year married Jeanette Thompson. They attended college in Farmington for 2 years before transferring to Boston University, from which he graduated in 1951. Mr. Stevens taught and coached numerous sports at Bridgton High School for 6 years before returning to Farmington to teach at Farmington High School in 1957. He taught and coached in Farmington until his retirement from Mt. Blue High School in 1988. He was the school's first athletic director and served in that capacity from 1968 to 1982. Following his retirement from teaching, he worked for 10 years on the security staff of Franklin Memorial Hospital and later as a hospital volunteer. Mr. Stevens and his family lived in Temple for many years and he served as a selectman for the town. He was a member of the Roderick Crosby Legion Post No. 28 in Farmington for 46 years, serving as post commander in 1974.

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Mr. Stevens will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving family and many friends; (SLS 860) (memoriam)

The 200th Anniversary of the incorporation of the Town of Hermon. In early 1814, 40 families living in Plantation No. 2, in the Second Range, petitioned the General Court of Massachusetts to establish the Town of Hermon as part of the District of Maine of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. After the petition was approved, the Town of Hermon was incorporated on June 13, 1814. The first town meeting was called on March 9, 1815 when officers of the town were selected and money was raised for schools. In 1974, the residents adopted a new town charter with a town council form of government. We join the good citizens of Hermon as they celebrate the Bicentennial of their town from January through August of 2014, and we send our best wishes for continued success; (SLS 861)

Dorothy Overlook, of Hermon, who is the recipient of the Boston Post Cane for her being the oldest citizen of the town. Mrs. Overlook is 96 years old. We send our congratulations and best wishes to Mrs. Overlook on her receiving this honor; (SLS 862)

Sheriff Glenn Ross, of Exeter, on the occasion of his retirement after 36 years in law enforcement. Sheriff Ross joined the Penobscot County Sheriff's Office in 1977 and graduated from the Maine Criminal Justice Academy as valedictorian a year later. During his time with the Penobscot County Sheriff's Office, he was a patrol deputy, sergeant, detective and chief deputy. He was appointed sheriff in 2002 by Governor Angus King, and he has been sheriff ever since, having been elected to 3 terms. Sheriff Ross is a graduate of the National FBI Academy, former board member of the Penobscot County National Alliance of the Mentally Ill Coalition and past president of the Maine Sheriffs' Association. We extend our appreciation to Sheriff Ross for his commitment to the citizens of Penobscot County and send him our best wishes in his future endeavors; (SLS 863)

Officer Paul Colley, of Bangor, on the occasion of his retirement after 25 years of service with the Bangor Police Department. Before he joined the Bangor Police Department, Officer Colley served with the Hampden Police Department for 4 years and the Orono Police Department for 2 years. After his retirement, he will serve as a courthouse marshal at the Penobscot Judicial Center. We send Officer Colley our appreciation for his many years of dedication to law enforcement and to the communities he served. We extend to him our best wishes; (SLS 864)

Officer Chris Stevens, of Bangor, on the occasion of his retirement after 25 years of service with the Bangor Police Department and 35 years in law enforcement. Officer Stevens served as a military police officer in the United States Army from 1978 to 1981. He began serving in the Bar Harbor Police Department in 1982 and joined the Bangor Police Department in 1988. We send Officer Stevens our appreciation for his many years of dedication to law enforcement and to the communities he served. We extend to him our best wishes; (SLS 865)

Lieutenant Tom Reagan, of Bangor, on the occasion of his retirement after 26 years with the Bangor Police Department. Lieutenant Reagan started his law enforcement career in 1987 with the Orono Police Department. He worked as a patrol officer with the Bangor Police Department from 1988 until his promotion to sergeant in 1998; he was promoted to lieutenant in 2007. He also served as a drug recognition course administrator and an instructor of field sobriety tests at the Maine Criminal Justice Academy. Lieutenant Reagan is a recipient of the Elks National

Enrique Camarena award for his work in drug education. He also served 21 years in the Coast Guard Reserves. We extend our appreciation to Lieutenant Reagan for his commitment to the citizens of Bangor and send him our best wishes in his future endeavors; (SLS 866)

Jacob McKay, of Bangor, who has been named a Jazz All-State Vocalist by the Maine Music Educators Association. Jacob is a senior at Bangor High School and performed in the All-State Jazz Festival Concert at Bangor High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Jacob on this achievement; (SLS 867)

Justin Faloon, of Old Town, who will be honored as a "Heart Hero" by the American Heart Association at the 15th annual Northeastern Maine Heart Ball. Mr. Faloon is a volunteer for the American Heart Association and the Down East Emergency Medical Institute in Orono. He has taught cardiopulmonary resuscitation and basic lifesaving techniques for 15 years. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. Faloon on his receiving this honor; (SLS 868)

Pete Warner, of Bangor, who has been named Maine Sportswriter of the Year by the National Sportscasters and Sportswriters Association. This is the 8th time that Mr. Warner, the [I]Bangor Daily News[/I] assistant sports editor, has received this award. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. Warner on his receiving this honor; (SLS 869)

Robert Brangwynne, of Bangor, who has been named a Jazz All-State Vocalist by the Maine Music Educators Association. Robert is a freshman at Bangor High School and performed in the All-State Jazz Festival Concert at Bangor High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Robert on this achievement; (SLS 870)

Jakob Grey-Purvis, of Bangor, who has been named a Jazz All-State Vocalist by the Maine Music Educators Association. Jakob is a sophomore at Bangor High School and performed in the All-State Jazz Festival Concert at Bangor High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Jakob on this achievement; (SLS 871)

George Washington Wood III, M.D., of Orono and Bangor, a longtime active member of his community. Dr. Wood was born in Macon, Georgia and was a 1943 graduate of the University of Florida. He received his medical degree from Cornell University Medical Center. Dr. Wood and his wife, Adelle, moved to Brewer in 1952, where he opened a private practice. In 1955, they moved to Bangor, where he served on the Bangor Planning Board, the Bangor School Board and the Bangor City Council. Dr. and Mrs. Wood were strong supporters of music and the arts, and he served on the Bangor Symphony's board. He was also active in medical associations and at local hospitals, serving on numerous boards. In 1976, Dr. Wood closed his practice and accepted a position at the University of Maine Cutler Health Center, where he eventually became director. Dr. Wood was also active in the university community and served on the Advisory Board of the Collins Center for the Arts. He retired in 1986 and had been living at the Dirigo Pines Retirement Community in Orono since 2003. Dr. Wood will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving family, his many friends and those whose lives he touched; (SLS 872) (memoriam)

Chief Steve Hinds, of West Bath, on the occasion of his retirement after 38 years as a firefighter. Chief Hinds began his firefighting career in Lewiston in 1976, after graduating from Southern Maine Vocational Technical Institute. He joined the Bath Fire Department in 1981 and was promoted to chief in 2002.

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He also served as first vice president of the Maine Fire Chiefs' Association and received a Level I certification from the organization in 2003. We extend our appreciation to Chief Hinds on his dedication to the citizens of the State and wish him well in his future endeavors; (SLS 873)

Gabriel J. Letourneau, of Saco, 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 Gabriel on this achievement; (SLS 874)

Nicholas P. Levecque, of Saco, 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; (SLS 875)

Lorraine Miles Wyman, of Old Orchard Beach, who has been recognized as the oldest citizen in the town at the age of 93. She was presented with a special honor, the apple cane, which was carved in 1983 by Mr. Ernest Brousseau from the oldest apple tree in town. Mrs. Wyman raised 8 children with her late husband of 54 years. Over the years she also worked in the billing department of Saco Lowell Mills, as a billing clerk at Portland Copper and Tank Works and for the Town of Old Orchard Beach in various positions for 27 years. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mrs. Wyman on her receiving the honor of the apple cane; (SLS 876)

Hattie Simon, of Old Orchard Beach, who is a second-time Honorable Mention Winner for the National YoungArts Foundation in Jazz Voice. Hattie has played piano since she was 9 years old and has been singing most of her life. She plays piano in Thornton Academy's jazz band and also performs at area venues with her jazz band, the Hattie Simon Trio. She recorded her debut EP, "La Vie En Jazz," in 2011. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Hattie on her receiving this recognition; (SLS 877)

Chief Jim Theriault, of Mexico, on the occasion of his retirement after 40 years of dedicated service as a police officer in Oxford County, 20 of those years with the Mexico Police Department. Chief Theriault was hired as a reserve officer in Rumford in 1972 and was appointed chief of the Mexico Police Department in 1993. We extend our appreciation to Chief Theriault for his commitment to the citizens of Oxford County and send him our best wishes in his future endeavors; (SLS 878)

Corporal Donald Miller, of Bethel, who is the recipient of the Heroism Award given by the Maine Association of Police. The Heroism Award is presented to an individual who, under adverse conditions, prevents a death or serious injury while in harm's way. Corporal Miller saved the life of a woman who was going to jump off the Memorial Bridge in Rumford. Corporal Miller was presented with the Heroism Award for his selfless actions. We extend our appreciation to Corporal Miller for his commitment to the citizens of the State and congratulate him on his receiving this award; (SLS 879)

Corporal Lawrence Winson, of Dixfield, who is the recipient of a Meritorious Service Award given by the Maine Association of Police. The Meritorious Service Award is presented to an active association member who, through outstanding police or dispatch work, prevents a death or serious injury, solves a difficult crime or crimes or performs an act that requires a great deal of courage. Corporal Winson saved the life of a man by preventing him from jumping off the Memorial Bridge in Rumford. Corporal Winson was presented with a Meritorious Service Award for his quick

thinking and even quicker actions. We extend our appreciation to Corporal Winson for his commitment to the citizens of the State and congratulate him on his receiving this award; (SLS 880)

Amber J. Strickland, of Arundel. Born in Biddeford, Ms. Strickland was a 2007 graduate of Thornton Academy. She began a welding career with Cianbro Corporation and traveled throughout Maine and to West Virginia for several years. She worked at Bath Iron Works for the past 3 years, where she earned her 1st class welding certificate. Ms. Strickland loved the outdoor activities of hunting, fishing and hiking. She will be greatly missed and long remembered by her loving family and friends; (SLS 881) (memoriam)

Paul Therrien, of Biddeford, for his longtime service to his community. Mr. Therrien recently resigned from the Solid Waste Management Commission after 24 years on the commission, serving as chair for more than 2 decades. We send him our appreciation for his commitment to the City of Biddeford; (SLS 882)

JoAnn Lapoint, of Kennebunk, who has been named the [I]Kennebunk Post's[I] Great Person of 2013. Ms. Lapoint donated one of her kidneys to Kennebunk podiatrist Dr. David Micca. Her selfless act exemplifies the generous spirit of Maine and its citizens and we extend our congratulations and best wishes on her receiving this honor; (SLS 883)

Michael LeBlanc, of Kennebunk, a junior at Kennebunk High School, who was named the [I]Journal Tribune[I] 2014 Boys Hockey Player of the Year. We extend our congratulations to Michael on his receiving this honor; (SLS 884)

The Biddeford High School cheering team, the Tigers, on its winning the co-ed division at the New England Interscholastic Spirit Championships in Lawrence, Massachusetts. The team also won the 2014 Class A State Championship. This is the first year that the Biddeford High School cheering team won titles in the regional competition, the state competition and the New England competition. The team is also the first co-ed team from Maine to win at the New England competition. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the members of the team on their achievements; (SLS 885)

[I]Tri-Town Weekly[I], of Freeport, on its receiving the Greater Freeport Chamber of Commerce Business of the Year Award. Publisher Lee Hews launched the [I]Tri-Town Weekly[I], which covers Freeport, Durham and Pownal, in July 2012. We extend our congratulations to [I]Tri-Town Weekly[I] on its receiving this award; (SLS 886)

Gorham High School's drama students, on their winning the Class A State Championship at the 2014 Maine Drama Festival. We congratulate the students on their accomplishment and we send them our best wishes; (SLS 887)

Sharon Gail Ramey, of Woodland, a longtime public nurse serving the community. Mrs. Ramey was born in Caribou and was a 1968 graduate of Caribou High School. She received her nursing degree from the University of Maine at Portland-Gorham. Mrs. Ramey began her career as a public health registered nurse in Oklahoma and Florida, returning to Caribou, where she was employed as a public health nurse for almost 25 years with the Department of Health and Human Services. She also served as the school nurse for School Union 122 for 11 years. Mrs. Ramey will be greatly missed and long remembered by her husband, Del, her family and her friends; (SLS 888) (memoriam)

James R. Moore, of Caribou, a United States Air Force veteran and active member of his community. Mr. Moore was born in New Orleans, Louisiana and attended local schools. He

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received an associate's degree from St. Leo College in Florida and his bachelor's degree from the University of Maine at Presque Isle. He joined the United States Air Force after high school and retired in 1985 as a Chief Master Sergeant from the former Loring Air Force Base, where he was an aircraft maintenance manager. After he retired, he was employed as an ombudsman with the Long-term Care Ombudsman program in Aroostook County. Mr. Moore was a member of the Lister-Knowlton V.F.W. Post 9389, the Henry B. Pratt Jr. American Legion Post 15, the Caribou Historical Society and the Aroostook County Democrats and was a founding member of the Loring Military Heritage Center. Mr. Moore will be greatly missed and long remembered by his wife of over 51 years, Carole, his loving family and many friends; (SLS 889) (memoriam)

The Caribou High School Girls Basketball Team, which received the Maine Principals' Association Eastern Maine Class B Good Sportsmanship Award at the State Championship. All the Class B teams in the region vote to determine which team receives the award. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the team on its receiving this award; (SLS 890)

Donatas "Donny" Sumyla, of Vilnius, Lithuania, who is a 2014 inductee into the University of Maine at Fort Kent Athletic Hall of Fame. Mr. Sumyla graduated from the university in 2006, and was a member of the 2-time Sunrise Conference Championship soccer teams. He was twice named Sunrise Conference Player of the Year and was twice an NAIA Academic All-American. We congratulate Mr. Sumyla on his being inducted into the University of Maine at Fort Kent Athletic Hall of Fame; (SLS 891)

Amber Garrison, of Bangor, who is a 2014 inductee into the University of Maine at Fort Kent Athletic Hall of Fame. Ms. Garrison graduated from the university in 2011 and was a 4-year starter for the women's basketball and volleyball teams. She was also a captain for both teams during her career. Ms. Garrison led her teams to 3 Sunrise Conference championships, as well as 3 NAIA National playoff appearances. She was also a 2-time first team Sunrise Conference selection. We congratulate her on her being inducted into the University of Maine at Fort Kent Athletic Hall of Fame; (SLS 892)

Jim McCloskey, of West Enfield, who is a 2014 inductee into the University of Maine at Fort Kent Athletic Hall of Fame. Mr. McCloskey graduated from the university in 1987 and scored more than 1,000 points and recorded more than 1,000 rebounds as a member of the men's basketball team. He led the team to a Northeast College Conference championship his senior year. We congratulate Mr. McCloskey on his being inducted into the University of Maine at Fort Kent Athletic Hall of Fame; (SLS 893)

Community Living Association, of Houlton, which has earned the Safety and Health Achievement Recognition Program Award. Community Living Association is one of 66 SHARP worksites in Maine. There are fewer than 2,000 worksites in the United States that have earned SHARP certification. We extend our congratulations to Community Living Association on its receiving this award; (SLS 894)

Bruce Hanken, of Hiram, who is a 2014 inductee into the University of Maine at Fort Kent Athletic Hall of Fame. Mr. Hanken scored 1,751 points as a member of the men's basketball team. He graduated from the university in 1972 and went on to a 35-year teaching career at the high school level. We congratulate Mr. Hanken on his being inducted into the University of Maine at Fort Kent Athletic Hall of Fame; (SLS 895)

Chloe Sleeper, of Caribou, who was named the 2014 Pre-Teen Miss Caribou. Chloe also was named Miss Congeniality in her age bracket. We send her our congratulations and best wishes on her receiving this honor; (SLS 896)

Olivia Picard, of Caribou, who was named the 2014 Junior Miss Caribou. Olivia also was named Miss Congeniality in her age bracket. We send her our congratulations and best wishes on her receiving this honor; (SLS 897)

Kelsey Kiehn, of Caribou, who was named the 2014 Teen Miss Caribou. Kelsey also was named Miss Congeniality in her age bracket. We send her our congratulations and best wishes on her receiving this honor; (SLS 898)

Greater Portland Landmarks, of Portland, on the occasion of its 50th Anniversary. Founded in 1964, during a time of urban renewal and in response to the demolition of Portland's historic Union Station, Greater Portland Landmarks' mission is the preservation, appreciation and revitalization of the architectural fabric, history and heritage of the built environment of the Portland area. Today, the organization continues to provide leadership, advocacy, education and expert resources regarding the buildings and landscapes that will be tomorrow's landmarks. Greater Portland Landmarks seeks to instill community pride and to encourage the people of Maine to remain participants in the planning, preservation and innovation that will shape our shared future. We congratulate Greater Portland Landmarks on its 50th Anniversary and for its past accomplishments. We send our best wishes on its future work focused upon the challenges of a changing Maine; (SLS 899)

Sophia Thayer, of Boothbay, a senior at Boothbay Region High School, who is a recipient of a 2014 Principal's Award for outstanding academic achievement and citizenship, sponsored by the Maine Principals' Association. We extend our congratulations to Sophia on her receiving this award; (SLS 900)

Eleanor Grover, of Wells, who is the Maine winner in the Salute to Senior Service Contest sponsored by the Home Instead Senior Care Network. Each year the Home Instead Senior Care Network holds a contest that celebrates seniors for their volunteer contributions nationwide. Ms. Grover has been running St. Mary's Ecumenical Food Pantry for 15 years. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Grover for her commitment to the citizens of the State and congratulate her on her achievement; (SLS 901)

Charles Feyler, of South China, a student at Kennebec Valley Community College, who has been named to the 2014 All-Maine Academic Team, recognizing Maine community college students who have demonstrated outstanding academic achievement, leadership, and service. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Feyler on his receiving this remarkable honor and send him our best wishes on his future endeavors; (SLS 902)

Scot and Jon Bubier, of Farmington, who have been named the Franklin County Soil and Water Conservation District 2013 Conservation Woodlot Owners of the Year. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the Bubiers on their receiving this award; (SLS 903)

David and Verna Pike, of Farmington, who have been named the Franklin County Soil and Water Conservation District 2013 Conservation Farmers of the Year. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the Pikes on their receiving this award; (SLS 904)

Robert Allen Howard and Sheila Mary Benson, of Salem, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, May 16, 2014.

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We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on this very special occasion; (SLS 905)

The Portland High School Boys Basketball Team, on its winning the 2014 Class A State Championship. The team finished the season with a 22-0 record. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the members of the team and Coach Joseph Russo on this achievement; (SLS 906)

The Catherine McAuley High School Girls Basketball Team, of Portland, winners of the 2014 Class A State Championship. This is the team's fourth consecutive championship victory. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the members of the team on this achievement; (SLS 907)

Robert E. Totman, of Hampden, an accomplished musician and longtime member of the community. Born in Gardiner, Mr. Totman was a 1948 graduate of Gardiner High School, where he excelled in football and enhanced his musical talents. He graduated from the University of Maine in 1952 and served in the United States Army, assigned to Japan. While still in high school, Mr. Totman was invited to join the Al Corey Big Band and was its youngest member; he continued to play the baritone saxophone until recently. For 15 years he played in the Fred Petra Band at the Mount Washington Hotel for big band weekends and he played locally in the Queen City Big Band. Mr. Totman worked for New England Telephone and NYNEX for 30 years and, after his retirement, he operated Bob Totman Appraisals for 10 years. He was a devoted family man and was an active member of St. John's Episcopal Church for over 60 years. Mr. Totman will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving wife, Patricia, his family and his many friends; (SLS 908) (memoriam)

The Charlotte White Center, of Dover-Foxcroft, on its 35th anniversary. The Charlotte White Center was founded in March 1979 by Charlotte H. White and Richard M. Brown to serve as a small day treatment center. Today, the Charlotte White Center, a non-profit organization, provides quality community health and social services for adults, children and families affected by cognitive and developmental disabilities, behavioral and mental health challenges, domestic violence and acquired brain injuries. With additional locations in Bangor and Waterville, the center offers more than 30 programs serving more than 1,400 individuals in 7 counties. We extend our appreciation to the Charlotte White Center for its commitment to the citizens of the State and congratulate the center on its 35th anniversary; (SLS 909)

The members of the Blue Hill Consolidated School K-6 chess team, who won the Maine State Scholastic Chess Championship in the K-6 Championship division: Kai Diel, Aidan Stearns, Sam Parrott, Cole Stewart, Ross Stewart, Cameron Stewart, Grayson Eaton, Parker Allen, Duncan Howell, Ian Howell and Evan Chapman and coach Cameron Wendell. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the team members on their achievement (SLS 910)

Nicholas Ryan Turner, of Brewer, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 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, leadership, personal growth and community service. For his Eagle Scout project, Nicholas created a plaque recognition board, which is hanging outside the Brewer Community School Performing Arts Center, for the Brewer schools' music program to recognize musicians who have received "Outstanding Musicianship Awards." We extend our congratulations to Nicholas on this achievement; (SLS 911)

Steven Avery Loftin, of Brewer, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 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, leadership, personal growth and community service. For his Eagle Scout project, Steven repainted the bathhouse and entrance building for the Brewer Municipal Pool as well as constructed 2 wooden benches to be used on the pool deck. We extend our congratulations to Steven on this achievement; (SLS 912)

Meg Hatch, of Waterville, who is the recipient of an Advancing the Mission Award given by the Maine Coalition Against Sexual Assault. Ms. Hatch works for the Children's Advocacy Center of Kennebec and Somerset Counties and was presented the award for her contributions to MECASA's initiatives with regard to Children's Advocacy Centers. We send our appreciation to Ms. Hatch for her commitment to the citizens of the State and congratulate her on her receiving this award; (SLS 913)

Bill Knight, of Bangor, well-known citizen and troop greeter to the military personnel coming and going through the Bangor International Airport. Mr. Knight was a 32-year veteran of the Armed Forces and he estimated in 2011 that he had shaken hands with more than a half-million troops leaving for or returning from war in the Middle East. Former Chief Petty Officer Knight was featured in an award-winning 2009 documentary film, "The Way We Get By," about the Bangor Troop Greeters. He will be greatly missed and long remembered by his many friends and the thousands of people whose lives he touched; (SLS 914) (memoriam)

The St. Thomas School's Girls Basketball Team, in Sanford, on its winning First Place at the 2014 Waterboro Class A Invitational. We extend our congratulations to the members of the team on this achievement; (SLS 915)

Morgan Fogg, of Sanford, who led the Sanford High School girls basketball team in scoring in the 2013-2104 season. Morgan received the Spartans' Most Valuable Player Award and was also an All-Southern Maine Athletic Association 2nd Team selection. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Morgan on her achievements; (SLS 916)

Imelda Dewire, of Sanford, on the celebration of her 100th birthday, May 4, 2014. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mrs. Dewire on this very special occasion; (SLS 917)

Sergeant Michael Hashey and Detective Jamie Slauenwhite, of Old Town, who have received a 2014 Real Heroes Award from the Pine Tree Chapter of the American Red Cross. Sergeant Hashey and Detective Slauenwhite saved the lives of 2 young children. While on duty at a standoff with 2 young children inside the house, Sergeant Hashey and Detective Slauenwhite were able to convince the man holding the children to release them. We extend our appreciation to Sergeant Hashey and Detective Slauenwhite for their commitment to the citizens of the State and congratulate them on their both receiving this well-deserved honor; (SLS 918)

Rabbi Rachel Isaacs, of Waterville, rabbi of Congregation Beth Israel in Waterville, who was named one of America's Most Inspiring Rabbis by the [I]Jewish Daily Forward[/I], a newspaper based in New York City. Rabbi Isaacs, who splits her time between the synagogue and Colby College, where she serves as chaplain and teaches, was one of more than 2 dozen men and women selected from hundreds of nominations. We extend our congratulations to Rabbi Isaacs on her receiving this well-deserved honor and we send her our best wishes; (SLS 919)

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Doctor Norm Dinerman, of Bangor, who is the recipient of the Ronald D. Stewart Award presented by the National Association of EMS Physicians. The Ronald D. Stewart Award was named for Dr. Ronald Stewart, a Canadian physician who was the founder of modern emergency medical services in the United States. Dr. Dinerman is responsible for bringing LifeFlight to Maine. His career at Eastern Maine Medical Center has spanned more than 25 years. In addition to his duties as an emergency medical physician, he serves in many roles at EMMC, including medical director of EMMC's Transfer Center and medical director of LifeFlight of Maine. In 2012, he was named the Air Medical Physician Association's Medical Director of the Year. We extend our appreciation to Dr. Dinerman for his commitment to the citizens of the State and congratulate him on his receiving this award; (SLS 920)

The Hampden Academy Boys Basketball Team, on its winning the 2014 Eastern Maine Class A Basketball Championship. We congratulate the members of the team on their achievement; (SLS 921)

The 100th Anniversary of the founding of Lamey-Wellehan Shoes, of Auburn. Dan Wellehan and Charlie Lamey opened their first shoe store in 1914. Now with 6 locations, Lamey-Wellehan is known as "Maine's Family Shoe Store" and is still owned and operated by the Wellehan family. We extend our congratulations to Lamey-Wellehan Shoes on its centennial, and we send our best wishes for their continued success; (SLS 922)

Daniel E. Campbell, of Auburn, who was named the Auburn Business Association's 2014 Citizen of the Year for his dedicated service and commitment to the community. Mr. Campbell is a longtime coach and counselor and a retired teacher. He taught at the former C.P. White Alternative High School, counseled troubled youth at Edward Little High School and coached cross-country running, cross-country skiing and outdoor track and field. For many years, he has opened his home to provide a safe shelter for youth who came from challenging homes and for teenagers who might be a danger to themselves or their families. Mr. Campbell has organized scores of fund-raising events from Maine to California, including the Androscoggin Triathlon, the Santa Barbara International Marathon and the Hospice House 5K and Remembrance Walk. Most recently, he coordinated the first Lake Auburn Half Marathon with Trinity Episcopal Church to raise money for the homeless and for youth athletic programs. We send our appreciation to Mr. Campbell for his exemplary involvement in his community and for helping those in need. We congratulate him on his receiving this well-deserved award; (SLS 923)

Arnold Morrison, of Gray, a dairy farmer, devoted family man and active member of his church and community. Mr. Morrison graduated second in his class at New Gloucester High School and worked on various farms throughout his life, including tending up to 40 cows on his own 80-acre dairy farm for 20 years. In the 1970s, he went to work for Opportunity Farm for Boys in New Gloucester, working with at-risk boys and teaching them the basics of farming and the value of hard work. Mr. Morrison dedicated much of his life to the New Gloucester Bible Church, which he helped build in the 1960s. He served on numerous church committees, served as a deacon, taught Sunday school and led a church youth group for many years. In recent years, Mr. Morrison was a groundskeeper at Gray Village Cemetery and later took a job at Spring Meadows Golf Club, mowing on his tractor into his 80s. He and his wife, Doris, also raised 6 children. Mr. Morrison enjoyed the peace and fulfillment that came from

farming, family and community. He will be greatly missed and long remembered by his family and friends; (SLS 924) (memoriam)

Wiscasset High School, on its winning the WGME School Spirit Challenge. Wiscasset High School beat 7 other high schools in Central and Southern Maine in the food drive and school spirit contest; the winner of the challenge receives the Spirit Cup trophy. The school raised 58,662 pounds of food through collections of food and money for the Good Shepherd Food Bank. Over 8 weeks, all the schools combined raised a total of 241,604 pounds of food. We extend our appreciation to Wiscasset High School for its commitment to the citizens of the State and congratulate the school on its winning the Spirit Cup; (SLS 925)

Merlene Williamson, of Whitefield, on the occasion of her retirement after more than 30 years of service at Maine Veterans' Home in Augusta. Ms. Williamson began working at the Veterans' Home on July 11, 1983, less than 4 months after the home opened. She worked as a Certified Nursing Assistant and Certified Medication Aide and also helped train and educate new staff and students. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Williamson for her commitment to the citizens of the State and wish her well in her future endeavors; (SLS 926)

The members of the Medomak Valley High School chess team, who won the 2014 Maine State Scholastic Reserve Chess Championship: Greg Wadsworth, Grant Bodine, Joseph Powell and Patrick White; coach Jim DuBois; and team administrator Bill McLellan. This is the team's first year in competition. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the team members on their achievement; (SLS 927)

Hannah Emery, of Detroit, a senior at Maine Central Institute, who is a recipient of a 2014 Principal's Award for outstanding academic achievement and citizenship, sponsored by the Maine Principals' Association. We extend our congratulations to Hannah on her receiving this award; (SLS 928)

Ursula Hebert-Johnson, of Waterville, a senior at Waterville Senior High School, who is a recipient of a 2014 Principal's Award for outstanding academic achievement and citizenship, sponsored by the Maine Principals' Association. We extend our congratulations to Ursula on her receiving this award; (SLS 929)

Caravan, the Maine Central Institute Vocal Jazz Ensemble, which won the Division II Jazz Choirs Championship at the State Jazz Festival. The Rhythm Section, Hunter Wintle, Charlie Ji and Arjan Orr, received the award for Outstanding Rhythm Section - Division II Jazz Choirs, and Curtis McLeod, Alexis LaMarre and Jennifer Chadwick received individual vocalist awards for Division II Jazz Choirs. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the Maine Central Institute Vocal Jazz Ensemble on its achievement; (SLS 930)

Mark Houde, of Howland, on the occasion of his winning a Gold Medal in the Post-secondary Computer Maintenance Technology category at the 2013-2014 SkillsUSA Maine Championship. The SkillsUSA Maine Championship is a state-level competition for high school and college students enrolled in trade, technical and skilled service instructional programs in which students from across the State demonstrate their talents and dedication to their education. Mark will represent Maine at the National Leadership and Skills Conference in Kansas City, Missouri in June. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mark on his achievement; (SLS 931)

Rachel Sirois, of Winslow, a senior at Winslow High School, who is a recipient of a 2014 Principal's Award for outstanding

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academic achievement and citizenship, sponsored by the Maine Principals' Association. We extend our congratulations to Rachel on her receiving this award; (SLS 932)

Trevor Lovely, of Winslow, a senior at Winslow High School, who has earned his 1,000th career point as a member of the Winslow High School Boys Basketball Team. Trevor has also been named the [I]Morning Sentinel[/I] Boys Basketball Player of the Year. We extend our congratulations to Trevor on his achievements and send him our best wishes; (SLS 933)

Isaac Shaw, Alex Demers and Ryan Fredette, of Winslow, who took first place in their respective classes at the Little Eagles Wrestling Tourney in Ellsworth. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on their achievements; (SLS 934)

Monique Sutherland, of Winslow, on the occasion of her winning the Gold Medal in the Digital Cinema Production category at the 2014 SkillsUSA Maine Championship. The SkillsUSA Maine Championship is a state-level competition for high school and college students enrolled in trade, technical and skilled service instructional programs in which students from across the State demonstrate their talents and dedication to their education. Monique will represent Maine at the National Leadership and Skills Conference in Kansas City, Missouri in June. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Monique on her achievement; (SLS 935)

Aaron Lint, of Winslow, a member of the Winslow High School Wrestling Team, who was named the [I]Morning Sentinel[/I] Wrestler of the Year. Aaron won the Class B State Championship for the 3rd consecutive year. He wrestled 54 times this season and won every match. Aaron is also a [I]Morning Sentinel[/I] Wrestling All-Star. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Aaron on his achievements; (SLS 936)

Donato J. Tramuto, of Ogunquit, who is one of the recipients of the 2014 Ripple of Hope Award from the Robert F. Kennedy Center for Justice and Human Rights. This award honors leaders of the international business, entertainment and activist communities who are committed to social change. Mr. Tramuto is the CEO and chairman of Physicians Interactive, Inc., which uses digital communications to improve connections and build trust between physicians and life sciences companies in order to improve health care processes. He led the development of many health care programs, including the first HIV/AIDS Arthur Ashe workplace education program in 1991 and the launch of a national HIV provider network focused on comprehensive disease management. Mr. Tramuto founded the Tramuto Foundation, which provides grants to children with special challenges, in honor of 2 friends and their son who were killed on September 11, 2001. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Tramuto on his receiving this award for his positive contributions to social change; (SLS 937)

Joseph Lombardi, of Kittery, a senior at Traip Academy, who is a recipient of a 2014 Principal's Award for outstanding academic achievement and citizenship, sponsored by the Maine Principals' Association. We extend our congratulations to Joseph on his receiving this award; (SLS 938)

The 99th Anniversary of the Armenian Genocide. On April 24, 1915, a campaign was launched by the Turkish regime of the Ottoman Empire against the Armenian people, resulting in the death of more than 1.5 million Armenians. Some of the survivors settled in the State of Maine, and their heirs have made significant contributions to the State. We join our citizens of Armenian heritage in remembering this event, and we express

our deepest sympathy for the families of those who perished; (SLS 939)

The following members of the Hodgdon High School Boys Basketball Team, on their winning the 2014 Class D State Championship: players Keegan Gardner, Deyrell Vargas, Sam Horton, Anthony Mazzacco, Jordyn Merritt, Chris Hudson, Daden Palmer, Blake Woods, Devin Quint, Tyler Sherman, Kyle Ramsey, Kevin McAfee, coach Rob Smith, assistant coach Seth Dorr, manager Valerie Estabrook, volunteer Sean Molloy and statistician Kara Wright. We congratulate the team on its achievement and send the members our best wishes; (SLS 940)

The members of the Cape Elizabeth High School Chess Team, who won the Maine State Chess Championships for the 3rd consecutive year: Matthew Fishbein, Matthew Reale-Hatem, Wesley Parker, Colin Smith and Carter Brock and Reserve team members Nick Shedd, Danny Brett, Lily Jordan and Roman Medina. The team won all 4 of its rounds, the only team in the tournament to do so. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the members of the team on this achievement; (SLS 941)

Wesley Parker, of Cape Elizabeth, who placed 2nd in the Maine State Individual High School Open Chess Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Wesley on this achievement; (SLS 942)

Matthew Fishbein, of Cape Elizabeth, a sophomore at Cape Elizabeth High School, who won his 3rd Maine State Individual High School Open Chess Championship. Matthew is Maine's top-rated chess player and was recently recognized as a national master. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Matthew on these achievements; (SLS 943)

Robert Williams, of South Portland, a role model to his 3 children, dedicated firefighter and coach and mentor to many. Mr. Williams was a firefighter with the South Portland Fire Department for 25 years and retired as a lieutenant in 1990. He started volunteering as a firefighter in Cape Elizabeth at the age of 16 and after retiring from the South Portland Fire Department returned to the Cape Elizabeth Fire Department and served as captain for more than 10 years. He enjoyed watching his children and grandchildren play sports and was always involved in some capacity, either as a coach or umpire. Mr. Williams will be sadly missed by his wife, Jean, his family and his many friends; (SLS 944) (memoriam)

The Honorable D. Brock Hornby, of Cape Elizabeth, who is the recipient of the Morton A. Brody Distinguished Judicial Service Award. The award is presented every 2 years to an outstanding federal or state judge who embodies the same qualities of integrity, compassion, humanity and judicial craftsmanship as were exhibited by Judge Brody throughout his lifetime. Judge Hornby is a native of Canada and earned his Bachelor of Arts degree in English and history from the University of Western Ontario and graduated from Harvard Law School in 1969. In 1970 he began teaching at the University of Virginia Law School and in 1974 he moved to Maine to practice law in Portland. Judge Hornby served from 1982 to 1988 as a United States magistrate judge in Portland, then served on the Maine Supreme Judicial Court for 2 years. President George H.W. Bush appointed him to the United States District Court in 1990, and he served as chief judge of the district from 1996 to 2003. In 2009, Judge Hornby received the Edward J. Devitt Distinguished Service to Justice Award, the highest honor that can be bestowed upon a federal judge. We extend our congratulations to Judge

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Hornby on his receiving this distinguished award and send him our best wishes; (SLS 945)

Rachel Detwiler, of Arrowsic, a senior at Morse High School, who is a recipient of a 2014 Principal's Award for outstanding academic achievement and citizenship, sponsored by the Maine Principals' Association. We extend our congratulations to Rachel on her receiving this award; (SLS 946)

Cara Stadler, of Brunswick, executive chef and co-owner of the acclaimed Brunswick restaurant Tao Yuan, who has been named as one of 2014's Best New Chefs in the United States by [I]Food and Wine[I] magazine. Ms. Stadler, a 2014 James Beard Award semifinalist, is one of 10 winners from across the country. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Ms. Stadler on her receiving this honor; (SLS 947)

The Washburn District High School Destination Imagination Technical Team, on its placing first at the 2014 Maine State Destination Imagination competition. The team is eligible to compete at the Global Finals Competition in Knoxville, Tennessee. We extend our congratulations to the members of the team on their accomplishment and we send them our best wishes; (SLS 948)

Melissa Cantafio, of Limestone, a senior at Limestone Community School, who is a recipient of a 2014 Principal's Award for outstanding academic achievement and citizenship, sponsored by the Maine Principals' Association. We extend our congratulations to Melissa on her receiving this award; (SLS 949)

Patrick A. Connors, of Brunswick and of Zephyrhills, Florida. Mr. Connors was born in Brunswick and was a 1955 graduate of Brunswick High School. He graduated from Portland University, worked for his father's trucking company, Grover Connors Trucking, and was employed by the telephone company for 35 years, retiring from NYNEX in 1996. Mr. Connors was a 50-year member of the United Lodge No. 8 AM & AF and served as Past High Priest of Royal Masonry. He was an Explorer Scout Troop Leader, the president of the Brunswick Area Snow Jammers Snowmobile Club and a board member of the Maine Snowmobile Association. Mr. Connors is survived by his wife, Lillian Foster Connors; his 2 daughters, Kristen Fenimore and her husband James and Leta Valerie Campbell and her husband Stephen; his sister Cynthia Sairio; and his 4 grandchildren, Ryan Patrick Campbell, Jami Campbell Bellefleur, Dylan James Fenimore and Emily McKenzie Mae Fenimore. Mr. Connors will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving family and his many friends; (SLS 950) (memoriam)

Danny and Carla Lafayette, of Hampden, who share the honor of having been named the 2014 Harold O. Bouchard Hampden Business Association Business Person of the Year for their significant contributions to the quality of life in Hampden. The Lafayettes, who are the owners of Lafayette Hotels, have donated their services to many Hampden community projects. We extend our congratulations to Danny and Carla Lafayette on their receiving this honor and send them our best wishes; (SLS 951)

Jacob Rioux, of Winthrop, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 604, 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, Jacob, built 6 benches for the local baseball field. We extend our congratulations to Jacob on this achievement; (SLS 952)

The St. John Catholic School Odyssey of the Mind Team, of Winslow, which placed first in its age group at the 2014 Maine

State Odyssey of the Mind Competition. The team qualifies to attend the Odyssey of the Mind World Finals to be held in Iowa in May. We extend our congratulations to the members of the team and send them our best wishes; (SLS 953)

Dennis Cox, of Orono, professor of music at the University of Maine, on the occasion of his retirement after 36 years of dedicated service to music education. Professor Cox, a Nebraska native, has led the University Singers for more than 30 years. We send him our appreciation for his commitment to his profession and to the students of music he has taught for so many years. We congratulate him on his retirement and send him our best wishes; (SLS 954)

Ludlow Hallman, of Orono, professor of music at the University of Maine, on the occasion of his retirement after 44 years of dedicated service to music education. Professor Hallman, originally from Ohio, has led the Oratorio Society since he began at the university. We send him our appreciation for his commitment to his profession and to the many students of music he has taught over the years. We congratulate him on his retirement and send him our best wishes; (SLS 955)

Century Tire Company, of Portland, for nearly nine decades of service to the community. President Dick Aronson is retiring after running the business for 53 years and has decided it is time to close up shop. Century Tire Company opened its doors in 1926 and grew to have 4 shops throughout Portland and in North Windham. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Aronson and Century Tire Company for their dedicated service to the community; (SLS 956)

The Mt. Blue High School Chamber Singers, of Farmington, who received a Gold rating at the WorldStrides Heritage Music Festival. The chamber singers were invited to participate in the Elite Series Festival at Carnegie Hall in New York. We extend our congratulations to the chamber singers on their achievement; (SLS 957)

The Mt. Blue High School Jazz Band, of Farmington, which was awarded a superior Gold rating and Outstanding Band and Adjudicator awards at the 2014 WorldStrides Heritage Music Festival. The Outstanding Band award goes to the individual group with the highest overall score regardless of group type or classification. The Adjudicator award is given based on adjudicator ratings or by personal recommendation by the adjudication team. We extend our congratulations to the members of the band on their achievements; (SLS 958)

Luke Wooden, of Wilton, a member of the Mt. Blue High School Jazz Band, who received a Maestro Award at the WorldStrides Heritage Music Festival. We extend our congratulations to Luke on his receiving this award and send him our best wishes; (SLS 959)

The music teachers, chaperones and students from Mt. Blue High School, of Farmington, who were honored with the 2014 WorldStrides Heritage Music Festival's prestigious "Spirit of Boston Award." This award is not based on music, but rather on actions and attitudes as school participants interact with each other, the staff and adjudicators at the WorldStrides Heritage Music Festival. We congratulate the Mt. Blue High School music community on its receiving this award; (SLS 960)

Eli Cohen, of Farmington, a member of the Mt. Blue High School Jazz Band, who received a Maestro Award at the WorldStrides Heritage Music Festival. We extend our congratulations to Eli on his receiving this award and send him our best wishes; (SLS 961)



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Silas Rogers, of Wilton, a member of the Mt. Blue High School Jazz Band, who received a Maestro Award at the WorldStrides Heritage Music Festival. We extend our congratulations to Silas on his receiving this award and send him our best wishes; (SLS 962)

Zack Cummings, of Wilton, a member of the Mt. Blue High School Jazz Band, who received a Maestro Award at the WorldStrides Heritage Music Festival. We extend our congratulations to Zack on his receiving this award and send him our best wishes; (SLS 963)

Dr. Roy Barry Corbin, of Bangor, a longtime prominent member of the community. Dr. Corbin moved to Maine in 1977 and had a successful podiatry practice. He was proud of his sports medicine practice and served as the University of Maine basketball podiatrist. Dr. Corbin was a devoted member of the Bangor Jewish community and was a proud former board member of the Retired Seniors Volunteer Project. He will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving family and many friends; (SLS 964) (memoriam)

Kendrick McCarthy, of Bangor, on the occasion of his winning the Gold Medal in the Public Safety and Firefighting category at the 2013 SkillsUSA Maine Championship. The SkillsUSA Maine Championship is a state-level competition for high school and college students enrolled in trade, technical and skilled service instructional programs in which students from across the State demonstrate their talents and dedication to their education. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Kendrick on his achievement; (SLS 965)

The following students from the Fourteenth Street School, of Bangor, who participated in and won an anti-bullying campaign and coloring contest: Gabby Spreng, PreK; Reese Trott, Kindergarten; Makenna Pelkey, 1st grade; Ava O'Connor, 2nd grade; and Henry Smith, 3rd grade. Officer Dan Sanborn, who patrols the west side of Bangor and is responsible for checking in with the staff and students at the Fourteenth Street School, organized the contest through Principal Dan Chadbourne. Officer Sanborn met with each grade, talked with the students and provided each of them with a picture to color. A winner was chosen from each grade. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Gabby, Reese, Makenna, Ava and Henry on their achievements; (SLS 966)

Kaitlin Sauter, of Hermon, a senior at Hermon High School, who was named an All-America high school soccer player. A 2-time first-team Penobscot Valley Conference All-Star and a Penobscot Valley Conference Player of the Year, Kaitlin is a 2-time Maine Soccer Coaches Association All-New England choice as well as a 3-time member of both the association's Class B and Eastern Maine All-Star teams. We extend our congratulations to Kaitlin on her being selected for this honor and we send her our best wishes on her future endeavors; (SLS 967)

Robert Glover, of Bangor, a professor of Political Science at the University of Maine at Orono, who is a recipient of a Donald Harward Faculty Award for Service-Learning Excellence by the Maine Campus Compact. The award is given annually to 3 college educators in the State who have made public service an integral part of their teaching. We extend our congratulations to Dr. Glover on his receiving this award; (SLS 968)

Charlie Newton, of Winterport, on the occasion of his retirement as president and chief executive officer of Penquis, a social service agency that serves more than 30,000 people of low and moderate income in Penobscot, Piscataquis and Knox counties. Mr. Newton joined Penquis, then called Penquis

Community Action Program, in 1987, when the organization was celebrating its 20th year. During his service, Penquis established such programs as the Penquis Law Project, which provides legal aid to victims of domestic violence; built 286 units of elderly and family housing in a dozen communities; merged with the Coastal Community Action Program and recently won its bid to serve as a broker for MaineCare nonemergency medical transportation. We send our appreciation to Mr. Newton for his 27 years of service to the people of Maine and we congratulate him on his retirement; (SLS 969)

Katelyn Burns, of Bangor, on the occasion of her winning the Gold Medal in the Health Occupations and Medical Terminology category at the 2014 SkillsUSA Maine Championship. The SkillsUSA Maine Championship is a state-level competition for high school and college students enrolled in trade, technical and skilled service instructional programs in which students from across the State demonstrate their talents and dedication to their education. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Katelyn on her achievement; (SLS 970)

Thomas Tracy, of Poland, the Phillips Professor of Philosophy and Religious Studies at Bates College, who is the recipient of the college's 2014 Kroepsch Award for Excellence in Teaching, an award established in 1985 by a gift from Robert Kroepsch, Class of 1933. The recipient is nominated by students and alumni and selected by a committee of previous years' winners. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Tracy on his receiving this well-deserved honor; (SLS 971)

Peter McVety, of Bangor, who received the Maine Veteran Small Business Owner of the Year Award for 2014 from the United States Small Business Administration. Mr. McVety is the owner of McVety's Hearth and Home. We extend our congratulations to Mr. McVety on his receiving this award; (SLS 972)

Reynald Souliere, of Biddeford, on the occasion of his retirement after 41 years with the Biddeford Fire Department. Mr. Souliere started with the Biddeford Fire Department's call service in 1973. He became a full-time firefighter in 1977 and continued until his retirement in 2014. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Souliere for his commitment to the citizens of the State and wish him well in his future endeavors; (SLS 973)

Erik Taylor, of Jay, a senior at Spruce Mountain High School, who is a recipient of a 2014 Principal's Award for outstanding academic achievement and citizenship, sponsored by the Maine Principals' Association. We extend our congratulations to Erik on his receiving this award; (SLS 974)

The Spruce Mountain High School Robotics Team on its winning the 2014 Industrial Safety and Entrepreneurship awards at the FIRST Robotics Pine Tree Regional meet. The team also competed in the final match and was in the runner-up alliance with 2 other teams. The Spruce Mountain High School Robotics Team is ranked 30th out of 162 teams in the New England District. We congratulate the members of the team on their achievements and send them our best wishes; (SLS 975)

Josh Davis and Bruno Tropeano, who both live in Bath, who were named the 2014 United States Small Business Administration's Young Entrepreneurs of the Year for the New England Region. Mr. Davis and Mr. Tropeano founded The Gelato Fiasco in Brunswick and are great role models and an inspiration for others to start their own businesses in Maine. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Davis and Mr. Tropeano on their receiving this honor and we send them our best wishes for continued success; (SLS 976)

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George R. Dumond, of Fort Kent, who is the recipient of the 2014 Distinguished Service Award from the University of Maine at Fort Kent for his many years of distinguished contributions to the university community, the local community and to the Nation. Mr. Dumond is a United States Air Force veteran of the Vietnam War. Upon his honorable discharge, he began his career in the insurance and financial services industry. He has been involved as a volunteer with the Maine Winter Sports Center since 1999 and has been a biathlon official at many national and international competitions, including as an Olympic official at the 2002 Winter Olympic Games in Salt Lake City, Utah. He also was an event organizer for the 2004 and 2011 International World Cup Biathlon in Fort Kent, which aired on television in Europe and North America. Mr. Dumond's many civic contributions include serving as chair of the Maine Community Foundation's Aroostook County Fund, vice chair of America's First Mile Advisory Group, director on the University of Maine at Fort Kent Foundation from 2006 to 2012 and commander of American Legion Post No. 133. He received the Outstanding Citizen Award in 2006. Mr. Dumond is now serving as international co-president for the 2014 World Acadian Congress and as president for Maine's World Acadian Congress Regional Coordinating Committee. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Dumond for his receiving the well-deserved Distinguished Service Award and we send him our appreciation for his many years of giving back to his community and Nation; (SLS 977)

Sterling R. Tibbetts, of Caribou, a longtime businessman and civic leader. Mr. Tibbetts was born in Caribou and was very involved with the community, especially with clubs and activities at Caribou High School, where he was president of the graduating class of 1944. Mr. Tibbetts served in the United States Army Air Corps during World War II. He went on to manage the family business until 1956, when he founded Tibbetts TV and Appliance, which served the community for 40 years. Mr. Tibbetts was an active outdoorsman and was a registered Maine Guide for 25 years. He was also a lieutenant in the original Caribou Police Reserves, president of the Caribou Hotel Association and a member of the Rotary Club for 61 years. Mr. Tibbetts gave back to his community by serving on the Caribou Planning Board and the Caribou School Board. Mr. Tibbetts will be greatly missed and long remembered by his family and friends; (SLS 978) (memoriam)

Courtney Sheldon, of Caribou, on her being crowned Miss Caribou 2014 at the Caribou Performing Arts Center. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Courtney on her receiving this honor; (SLS 979)

Russell Currier, of Stockholm, who earned the distinction of being named to the United States biathlon team that competed in the 2014 Winter Olympics in Sochi, Russia. Mr. Currier was the top American to finish in the International Biathlon Union Cup 5 races in Ridnaun-Val Ridanna, Italy. He raced in 2 Olympic events: the 20-kilometer individual race and the 10-kilometer sprint event. He is a graduate of Caribou High School and attended the Maine Winter Sports Center in Aroostook County. We extend our congratulations on his remarkable achievements and we send him our best wishes on his future endeavors; (SLS 980)

Sarah Bigney, of Hallowell, who has been named the 2014 Rising Star by Emerge Maine. Ms. Bigney advocates for the rights of working families as a Mobilizer at the Maine AFL-CIO, working to improve the lives of working families and to bring economic justice to the workplace and social justice to our State

and the Nation. We congratulate her on her receiving this award; (SLS 981)

The Honorable John Bridge, of Manchester, who was named the 2014 Outstanding Citizen of the Year by Le Club Calumet. Mr. Bridge, a former city councilor and mayor of Augusta, joined his family's business in 1960 and worked his way up to President of Bridge Construction Company. He was cochair of the YMCA's \$10 million fund-raising campaign and was involved in the fund-raising for and start-up of the Children's Discovery Museum, as well as finance campaigns for the Green Street United Methodist Church of Augusta. Mr. Bridge and his wife, Charlene, chaired a successful local United Way campaign and he was part of fund-raising efforts for the Lithgow Library Building Committee and the Kennebec Historical Society. He is the recipient of numerous recognition awards, such as the Chamber of Commerce Lifetime Achievement Award and the Maine Philanthropist of the Year. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Bridge on his receiving this honor and send him our best wishes; (SLS 982)

Brian Gregory Hand, of Industry, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 546 in Temple, 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 service project, Brian built a dog park at the Franklin County Animal Shelter. We extend our congratulations to him on this achievement; (SLS 983)

Tom Marble, of Wilton, who was named the 2014 Dispatcher of the Year by the Franklin County Commissioners for his willingness to go beyond the call of duty. Mr. Marble has extensive knowledge of Franklin County, which helps him direct public safety personnel to their destinations. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on his receiving this award; (SLS 984)

The Medomak Middle School Science Olympiad team, of Waldoboro, which won the State Science Olympiad Championship for the second consecutive year. The team will represent Maine in May at the Science Olympiad National Tournament at the University of Central Florida in Orlando, Florida. We extend our congratulations to the team on its achievement and wish them luck at the national competition; (SLS 985)

Carol Leone, of Edgecomb, founder of Teens to Trails, who was selected by the White House as a Champion of Change for her efforts to engage communities and youth in environmental stewardship and conservation. Ms. Leone was honored at the White House with 13 other Champions by Secretary of the Interior Sally Jewell. We send our appreciation to Ms. Leone for her efforts and dedicated commitment to the environment and to the youth of Maine. We congratulate her on being named a Champion of Change and send her our best wishes on her future endeavors; (SLS 986)

Rosemary Hentz, of Georgetown, on the occasion of her retirement after 30 years as ambulance chief of the Georgetown Volunteer Fire Department. Ms. Hentz has been with the department for more than 34 years. She was selected by her peers to serve as ambulance chief. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Hentz for her commitment to the citizens of the Town of Georgetown and wish her well in her future endeavors; (SLS 987)

DeBlois Electric, of Lewiston, one of northern New England's leading electrical contractors, on its being named the Maine 2014 Jeffrey Butland Family Owned Small Business of the Year by the United States Small Business Association. We extend our

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congratulations to DeBlois Electric on its receiving this honor and we send the company our best wishes for continued success; (SLS 988)

Cyndi Price, of Camden, owner of Loo-Hoo LLC, who was named the 2014 Home-Based Business Champion by the United States Small Business Administration. We extend our congratulations to her on her receiving this award and send her our best wishes for continued success; (SLS 989)

The Kemankeag Masonic Lodge No. 213, of Rangeley, on the occasion of its 100th Anniversary, May 7, 2014. We extend our congratulations to the members of the lodge on this anniversary and send our best wishes for continued success; (SLS 990)

The Honorable Walter Gooley, of Farmington, on the celebration of his 80th birthday, April 27, 2014. Senator Gooley was a member of the House of Representatives from the 117th Legislature to the 120th Legislature and a member of the Senate in the 123rd and 124th Legislatures. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Senator Gooley on this very special occasion; (SLS 991)

Donald Lowe, of Skowhegan, on his retirement from serving the Town of Skowhegan. Mr. Lowe worked as a police officer for 23 years and as a firefighter for 12 years. He is a semiretired builder and had previously served 10 years as a selectman before being reelected to serve on the board in 2012. We send Mr. Lowe our appreciation for his dedicated service to his community and we send him our best wishes; (SLS 992)

Mark L. Johnston, of Belgrade, on the occasion of his retirement after almost 40 years in the field of banking. Mr. Johnston, who grew up in Jefferson, has been president and chief executive officer at Kennebec Savings Bank since 1999, having joined the bank in 1992 as vice president and senior lending officer. He will continue to serve on the board of the bank. Previously, he had 17 years of banking experience, the most recent with Fleet Bank. Through the years, he also has been active in his community as a volunteer, fundraiser and member of numerous boards, including the Harold Alfond Center for Health, the United Way, the Kiwanis Club, the American Red Cross and others. We send Mr. Johnston our appreciation for his commitment and service to his profession and to the community, and we send him our best wishes on his retirement; (SLS 993)

Captain Dave Pratt, of Boothbay, who has been named Maine Fire Instructor of the Year by the Maine Fire Service Institute. The award is dedicated to the memory of Deputy Chief Marc Bellefeuille, who was widely respected as an instructor for fire training and education. It is presented to a fire service instructor whose acts and deeds serve as an example to the profession and to the instructor's department and peers. Captain Pratt was nominated by his peers and chosen for the award for demonstrating outstanding commitment and extraordinary accomplishments in fire service training. We extend our congratulations to Captain Pratt on his receiving this award and send him our best wishes; (SLS 994)

Linda Bleile, of Wiscasset, on the occasion of her retirement after 41 years as an educator. Mrs. Bleile began her career as a 7th and 8th grade reading teacher at what was then called the Wiscasset Elementary School. After her sons went off to college, Mrs. Bleile went back to school to earn her assistant principal's certificate. She was hired as the principal of the Wiscasset Middle School in 2002. Some of the accomplishments at the school since Mrs. Bleile has been principal include the renovation of the Gregoire wing, the implementation of an after

school program and receiving a grant to bring the Expeditionary Learning Model to the school. During her career, Mrs. Bleile was named the Maine Administrator of the Year and the Maine Principals' Association Middle Level Principal of the Year and received the National Distinguished Principal Award and the President of the Maine Principals' Association Award. We extend our appreciation to Mrs. Bleile for her commitment to the youth of the State and send her our best wishes in her future endeavors; (SLS 995)

Kate McAleer, of Rockland, founder of Bixby and Co., a chocolate bar business, on her winning the \$30,000 prize in the Gorham Savings Bank LaunchPad program. The prize is awarded to help entrepreneurial ideas grow into viable companies. Ms. McAleer began her company 2 years ago, and the fast-growing business distributes its product in important markets throughout New England. We extend our congratulations to her on her receiving this honor; (SLS 996)

Sierra Ventura, of Belfast, who has earned the distinction of being named Valedictorian of the 2014 graduating class at the University of Maine in Orono. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Ms. Ventura on her receiving this honor; (SLS 997)

Harold Frost, Jr., of Waterville, who received the Maine Masonic Veterans medal for being a member of the Mason organization for 50 years. We congratulate Mr. Frost on his receiving this award; (SLS 998)

Donna Rueger, of Waterville, who is the recipient of a 2014 District Award of Merit, the highest award given to a volunteer in a Scouting district. Ms. Rueger serves as a troop leader for 2 Girl Scout groups, and for the past 14 years she has been active with Boy Scout Troop No. 441. She is also a recipient of the God and Service Award. We send Ms. Rueger our appreciation for her dedicated service to the youth of the community and to Scouting, and we congratulate her on her receiving the District Award of Merit; (SLS 999)

Andrew Cogliandro, of Sanford, who won the 2014 Maine State Championship and Overall Division Championships for KRANE Ratings in the Men's Blackbelt Lightweight Fighting Division. We extend our congratulations to Andrew on his achievements and we send him our best wishes; (SLS 1000)

The members of the Sanford High School Key Club, for their impressive performance at the 2014 District Educational Conference of the New England and Bermuda District. The club won second place for its Major Emphasis Project and third place for its scrapbook and news bulletins. Club President Ellie Garnsey won the Outstanding President Award, Club Advisor Suzanne Patterson won the Outstanding Advisor Award and Club Secretary Nisha Patel won the Outstanding Secretary Award. The Key Club is a branch organization of Kiwanis International that helps teens to reach out to their communities. We congratulate the members of the Sanford High School Key Club on their achievements and awards; (SLS 1001)

John Cochin, of Sanford, sports editor of the [I]Sanford News[I], who was honored by the Maine Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association with the Print Media Award for outstanding media contributions to Maine interscholastic athletics. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Cochin for his receiving this award and we send him our best wishes; (SLS 1002)

Frances Lyons, of Portland, on the occasion of her 100th Birthday, June 15, 2014. Mrs. Lyons was born in Poland and speaks 7 languages, including Polish, Russian, Yiddish, Spanish and English. She has 2 children, 5 grandchildren, 8 great-

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grandchildren and 2 great-great-grandchildren. Mrs. Lyons still walks every day and loves to dance and sing, and she is known for her warmth and her sense of humor. We extend our congratulations to her on the centennial celebration of her life; (SLS 1003)

Betty Weaver, of York, who is the recipient of the Elks Citizen of the Year award from the York Elks Club. Ms. Weaver was recognized for her support of the annual Maine Children's Cancer Program picnic at York's Wild Kingdom. The day allows children with cancer and their families to enjoy a day at the zoo. Ms. Weaver owns the Lobster Barn Restaurant and Lobster in the Rough and is known in the York area for her generosity. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Weaver for her commitment to the citizens of the State and congratulate her on her receiving this award; (SLS 1004)

Ted Welch, of York, who is retiring after 37 years with the York school system, 24 as the Athletic Director. As Athletic Director, Mr. Welch was President of both the Campbell Conference and the Western Maine Conference. He is the 2nd-longest tenured athletic director in the Western Maine Conference. Mr. Welch was instrumental in creating the York High School Athletics Hall of Fame, which inducted its 3rd class last fall. Mr. Welch was an educational technician, a middle school physical education teacher, a vocational education teacher, a junior varsity basketball coach, a boys tennis coach and a varsity football coach. As the football coach, he led the team to the 1980 state football championship. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Welch for his commitment to the youth of the State and wish him well in his future endeavors; (SLS 1005)

Darlene Ratte, of Waterville, who is the recipient of the Outstanding Professional Award presented by the Mid-Maine Chamber of Commerce. Ms. Ratte is the assistant general manager at the Best Western Plus Grand Hotel in Waterville. She also teaches hospitality classes to local college students. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Ratte on her receiving this award and send her our best wishes; (SLS 1006)

Kennebec Behavioral Health, of Waterville, on its being named Business of the Year by the Mid-Maine Chamber of Commerce. Kennebec Behavioral Health is a nonprofit, community-based mental health and substance abuse agency and is being recognized for its commitment and contributions to the people and the future of the region. Founded in 1960, the organization provided services and support to more than 15,000 Maine residents last year. The agency's mission is to promote the well-being of people who experience mental illness, emotional difficulties or behavioral challenges. Since 2000, the agency has added services and locations and specialty programs for behavioral health and substance abuse, especially for children. It now provides clinic-based services and in-home services for children and families, as well as extensive housing programs and vocational services that are nationally recognized. In 2004, the agency received its first accreditation for exemplary health care from the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities International. The accreditation was reaffirmed in 2013. Today, Kennebec Behavioral Health partners with nearly every health care provider group in central Maine to deliver care to local people and to coordinate care with primary care. It operates clinics, housing and vocational-rehabilitation clubhouses in Waterville, Augusta, Skowhegan, Winthrop and Lewiston. We extend our appreciation to Kennebec Behavioral Health for its commitment to the citizens of the State and congratulate it on its being named Business of the Year; (SLS 1007)

John and Jackie Dalton, of Winslow, who are the recipients of the Distinguished Community Service Award presented by the Mid-Maine Chamber of Commerce. Mr. and Mrs. Dalton are both members of the Rotary Club. Mrs. Dalton is co-executive director of REM, secretary of the Kennebec Messalonskee Trails Board of Directors, a member of the Waterville Main Street board and a past president of Friends of the Maine Children's Home for Little Wanderers. Mr. Dalton is president and CEO of Inland Hospital, vice chairman of the Kennebec Valley Community College foundation board, chairman of the Central Maine Growth Council board and a member of the Waterville Opera House board and the Waterville Development Corporation. We extend our congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Dalton on their receiving this award and send them our best wishes; (SLS 1008)

Bart Stevens, of Oakland, who is the recipient of the Elias A. Joseph Award presented by the Mid-Maine Chamber of Commerce. The Elias A. Joseph Award was created to honor Mr. Joseph for his dedication of more than 28 years of volunteering, which included more than 10,000 hours of volunteer service. The award is given to those who have most displayed similar service to the chamber. Mr. Stevens has held positions with the Mid-Maine Chamber of Commerce, Habitat for Humanity, the Maine Children's Home for Little Wanderers, United Way of Mid-Maine and the Mid-Maine Homeless Shelter. In 2005, Mr. Stevens was the recipient of the Distinguished Community Service Award from the chamber. He is a graduate of the University of Maine and worked for Central Maine Power Company. In the mid-1990s, he entered the real estate business. He served as President of the Maine Association of Realtors in 2013. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Stevens on his receiving this award and send him our best wishes; (SLS 1009)

Merrill Enterprises, of Ellsworth, on its receiving the 2014 Top Drawer Award from the Ellsworth Area Chamber of Commerce, an award given annually to a member of the chamber that has made a substantial contribution to the growth, development and improvement of the region. Merrill Enterprises is a 4th-generation enterprise that includes Merrill's Blueberry Farms and Freezers and Merrill Furniture. It began in 1925 when Albert Merrill and his son, Osmon, burned their first wild blueberry field. To supplement its seasonal blueberry business, the family began to sell radios and washing machines, eventually expanding the business to include a gas station, a garage and the sale of tires and batteries. The family's furniture business, first stocked with a train car load of furniture Osmon Merrill bought, has now become one of the largest furniture stores in Maine. We extend our congratulations to Merrill Enterprises on its receiving the Top Drawer Award and send our best wishes for continued success; (SLS 1010)

Ron Adams, of Buxton, Food Service Director for the Portland Public Schools, who has won the School Nutrition Association Outstanding Director of the Year Award for Maine. Mr. Adams became Portland's Food Service Director 6 years ago and oversees 16 kitchens, which serve 5,500 meals daily. He has worked in the field of childhood nutrition since 1993 and is credentialed as a school nutrition specialist. Under his leadership, the Portland Public Schools has increased its spending on local foods and now spends 37% of its food budget on local foods. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. Adams on his receiving this well-deserved award; (SLS 1011)

Mary Allen Lindemann and Alan Spear, of South Portland, who are the recipients of the United States Small Business Administration's 2014 Small Business Person of the Year Award

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for Maine. Ms. Lindemann and Mr. Spear are the owners of Coffee By Design. They started the business in Portland in 1994 as a single coffee house and, since that time, the company has grown to 51 employees in 4 retail locations. The company also roasts more than 30 specialty coffees. Ms. Lindemann and Mr. Spear attribute their success to providing high-quality products, as well as to their commitment to the community and the environment on a local and global level. We extend our congratulations to them on their receiving this well-deserved award and send our best wishes for continued success; (SLS 1012)

Evelyn Rush, of Gorham, who won first place in the 2014 New Hampshire Public Television PBS Kids Writers Contest in the first grade category. The contest encourages children in kindergarten through third grade to explore the power of creativity by writing and illustrating their own stories. We congratulate Evelyn on her winning first place and send her our best wishes; (SLS 1013)

Robert R. Gagnon, of East Orland, a prominent member of the banking community. Mr. Gagnon was born in Livermore Falls and was a 1953 graduate of Livermore Falls High School. He attended Farmington State Teacher's College for 2 years, and he was inducted into the United States Army in 1958. Mr. Gagnon began his career in banking at Security Pacific Bank, where he would eventually rise to become a senior vice president. He spent the next 30 years in the industry at various banks in California and in Maine. Mr. Gagnon will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving family and his friends; (SLS 1014) (memoriam)

Alfred "Bunky" Dow, of Trenton, student activities director at Mount Desert Island High School, who was named the 2014 Robert J. Lahey Athletic Director of the Year. Mr. Dow holds many leadership positions in school athletics at the league and state levels. He has served as secretary of the Penobscot Valley Conference for more than 20 years and serves as a Maine Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association assistant executive director. He was a recipient of that association's State Award of Merit in 2011. Mr. Dow also served as a liaison to the Maine Principals' Association. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Dow on his receiving this award and we send him our appreciation for his dedicated service to the students of the Mount Desert Island community; (SLS 1015)

Dianne Waters, of Hancock, on the occasion of her retirement after nearly 4 decades in education. Ms. Waters has served as principal of Trenton Elementary School for the past 4 years. She began her career as a high school English teacher 39 years ago and, in 1993, was hired as the first assistant principal at Conners-Emerson School in Bar Harbor. Ms. Waters has been principal of Hancock Grammar School, Islesford Elementary School and Tremont Consolidated School. In addition to her administrative role, she has worked on professional development for teachers. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Waters for her outstanding leadership and dedication to both educators and students and send her our best wishes in her future endeavors; (SLS 1016)

Shula Yeaton, of Farmington, who has earned the distinction of being named one of the top three students at Foster Technology Center. She maintained a top level of achievement in her Career and Technical Education program in addition to her academic courses. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Shula on her achievement; (SLS 1017)

Emily Knowles, of Farmington, who has earned the distinction of being named one of the top three students at Foster Technology Center. She maintained a top level of achievement in her Career and Technical Education program in addition to her academic courses. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Emily on her achievement; (SLS 1018)

Corey Ridley, of Jay, who has earned the distinction of being named one of the top three students at Foster Technology Center. He maintained a top level of achievement in his Career and Technical Education program in addition to his academic courses. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Corey on his achievement; (SLS 1019)

John Calloway, of Avon, on the celebration of his 80th birthday, May 9, 2014. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. Calloway on this very special occasion; (SLS 1020)

The following top ten students of the 2014 Graduating Class of Mount Blue High School: Mallory Parker, Anja Nordstrom, Noah Lepage, Miranda Nicely, Sarah Wade, Hanna Deon, Macee Qi, Sophia Bunnell, Eli Cohen and Shula Yeaton. We send our congratulations and best wishes to them on their future endeavors; (SLS 1021)

The Capital Area Recreation Association, in Augusta, on the occasion of its 40th anniversary. Established in 1974 to promote sports and general recreation for the residents of the Augusta area, this all-volunteer and not-for-profit entity has developed nearly a mile of sports venues and recreational areas that provide a unique complex of family fun and exercise activities. We extend our appreciation to all of the volunteers who have contributed thousands of hours of work and to the many businesses for their contributions to the Capital Area Recreation Association, and we extend our best wishes to the association for its continued success; (SLS 1022)

Jirard "Jerry D" DerBoghosian, of Lewiston, on the occasion of his 90th birthday. Mr. DerBoghosian is a United States Navy veteran of World War II who served in a submarine. He has been involved in the community and with helping veterans for many years. We extend our congratulations to him on this celebration and send him our best wishes; (SLS 1023)

Lucien B. Gosselin, of Lewiston, on his being named the 2014 Lewiston-Auburn Citizen of the Year by the Boy Scouts of America. Mr. Gosselin is a lifelong member of the community and has a long history of dedicated public service. He has served as director on numerous committees and boards, all dedicated to contributing to not only his community but the State. Mr. Gosselin has been affiliated with organizations such as the University of Southern Maine, the Sisters of Charity Health System, the Maine Development Foundation and the Lewiston-Auburn Economic Growth Council. He is the recipient of numerous other awards and recognitions for his exemplary contributions to professional and public services. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Gosselin for his many years of commitment to the community and congratulate him on his receiving this well-deserved award; (SLS 1024)

The visit of the French naval vessel [I]Fulmar[/I] to the City of Portland and the State of Maine on May 8, 2014, Victory in Europe Day, and in welcoming Lieutenant Josian Grenet and the crew of the ship as we celebrate the 236-year alliance between the United States and France. Maine has a strong connection to France, as 30% of our population is of French and French-Canadian heritage. The first European settlement in Maine was a French settlement on St. Croix Island in 1604. France was the first ally to the United States in 1778, and French and American

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soldiers fought side-by-side in World War I and World War II. Victory in Europe Day is celebrated on both sides of the Atlantic Ocean to commemorate the victory of Allied Forces in Europe in 1945 and to remember the sacrifices of our peoples. We join the citizens of the State in welcoming Lieutenant Grenet and the members of the crew of the [I]Fulmar[/I] to Portland and to Maine, and we extend our best wishes to them; (SLS 1025)

Camden Hom, of South Portland, who is a winner of the 2014 Maine Constitution Essay and Poster Contest, an essay contest for students from kindergarten to grade 12. Camden is a 4th grade student at Holy Cross School and placed first for his poster depicting the logging industry in Maine. Winning students and their classes are invited to view the State's original 1820 Constitution at the Maine State Archives. We extend our congratulations to Camden on his being a winner of the contest; (SLS 1026)

Inga Zimba, of Waterville, a student at the Albert Hall School, who was named the winner for Maine in the Doodle4Google competition. Inga's doodle, "Save the Google Bees," depicting robotic bees that gather data on beehives to help prevent colony collapse disorder, was selected from tens of thousands of entries. We extend our congratulations to Inga on her winning the Doodle4Google competition and send her our best wishes; (SLS 1027)

Sue Nile, of Pittsfield, who has been named the 2014 Citizen of the Year by the Sebasticook Valley Elks Club. Ms. Nile is the elementary physical education teacher for School Administrative District No. 53. Each year, Ms. Nile organizes a Veterans Day celebration for her students, during which they carry small American flags and march from the school to Veterans Park in Pittsfield to participate in the patriotic observance. She also encourages students and faculty to support the town's community food bank and other charitable causes. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Nile on her being named Citizen of the Year and send her our best wishes; (SLS 1028)

Jordan Patrick Roche, of Portland, who has earned the distinction of being named the Salutatorian of the 2014 graduating class of Deering High School. We extend our congratulations to Jordan on his receiving this honor and send him our best wishes; (SLS 1029)

Zachary Duperry, of Portland, who has earned the distinction of being named the Valedictorian of the 2014 graduating class of Deering High School. We extend our congratulations to Zachary on his receiving this honor and send him our best wishes; (SLS 1030)

Kara Beal, of Fort Kent, who was named the 2014 County Teacher of the Year for Aroostook County by Educate Maine, a business-led organization whose mission is to champion college, career readiness and increased education attainment. Ms. Beal teaches English Language Arts to 8th graders at Valley Rivers Middle School in Fort Kent. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Beal on her receiving this honor; (SLS 1031)

Sarah Brokofsky, of Portland, who was named the 2014 County Teacher of the Year for Cumberland County by Educate Maine, a business-led organization whose mission is to champion college, career readiness and increased education attainment. Ms. Brokofsky teaches 5th grade at Westbrook Middle School. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Brokofsky on her receiving this honor; (SLS 1032)

Darrian Corey, of Presque Isle, on the occasion of her being crowned Miss Presque Isle for 2014. We extend our

congratulations and best wishes to her on her receiving this honor; (SLS 1033)

The members of the Cape Elizabeth High School Math Team, who won the State Class B Math Championship. We extend our congratulations to the team members on their achievement and send them our best wishes; (SLS 1034)

The members of the Cape Elizabeth High School Football Team, who are the recipients of a Maine Principals' Association Sportsmanship Award. We extend our congratulations to the team members on their receiving this award and send them our best wishes; (SLS 1035)

The Cape Elizabeth High School Science Team, which has won the North Shore Science League competition for the 3rd time since the school began participating in the competition. Cape Elizabeth High School is the only Maine high school that has fielded a team to participate in the North Shore Science League competition. The competition is organized and run by a collaborative of high schools in Massachusetts. The North Shore Science League competition is not a single-event competition. The member schools hold monthly meets throughout the school year, providing many different opportunities for students to solve creative science problems and challenging students to apply their knowledge of biological, chemical, physical and earth sciences. We extend our congratulations to the members of the team on their winning the North Shore Science League competition and send them our best wishes; (SLS 1036)

The members of the Cape Elizabeth High School Volleyball Team, who are the recipients of a Maine Principals' Association Sportsmanship Award. We extend our congratulations to the team members on their receiving this award and send them our best wishes; (SLS 1037)

The members of the Cape Elizabeth High School Girls Ice Hockey Team, who are the recipients of a Maine Principals' Association Sportsmanship Award. We extend our congratulations to the team members on their receiving this award and send them our best wishes; (SLS 1038)

Gordon Crosby, of Poland, who was named the 2014 County Teacher of the Year for Androscoggin County by Educate Maine, a business-led organization whose mission is to champion college, career readiness and increased education attainment. Mr. Crosby teaches Spanish at Poland Regional High School and has been teaching for over 23 years. We extend our congratulations to him on his receiving this honor; (SLS 1039)

Verne Paradie, Jr., of Auburn, who has been inducted into the Auburn-Lewiston Sports Hall of Fame. Mr. Paradie graduated from Edward Little High School in 1990. He was a standout baseball, basketball and football player. He played in the first Lobster Bowl and was an All-State pick in 1989. Mr. Paradie was the Gatorade Baseball Player of the Year and the Southwestern Maine Activities Association batting champion. He won state titles with the Edward Little High School baseball team in 1988 and the 1990 American Legion team. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Paradie on his induction into the Auburn-Lewiston Sports Hall of Fame and send him our best wishes; (SLS 1040)

Kelly Bennett Brown, of Lewiston, who has been inducted into the Auburn-Lewiston Sports Hall of Fame. In 1982, Ms. Brown graduated from Lewiston High School, where she played for the basketball, track and cross-country teams. She ran track at the University of Southern Maine. Ms. Brown won the state and Eastern College Athletic Conference Division III 5K and qualified for the National Collegiate Athletic Association

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Nationals. She also won the University of Southern Maine Invitational, the Can-Am Invitational and the University of Maine Invitational in record times. She was elected to the University of Southern Maine Hall of Fame in 1993. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Brown on her being inducted into the Auburn-Lewiston Sports Hall of Fame and send her our best wishes; (SLS 1041)

Ann-Marie Caron, of Lewiston, who has been inducted into the Auburn-Lewiston Sports Hall of Fame. In 1978, Ms. Caron graduated from Lewiston High School, where she excelled in softball and field hockey. She continued to play softball and field hockey at Bates College and also ran track. She earned 4-year varsity awards at Bates College and set several field hockey records. In 1981, she set a new indoor shot put record. She coached field hockey and softball at Bates College and coached field hockey and boys ice hockey at Kents Hill School. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Caron on her being inducted into the Auburn-Lewiston Sports Hall of Fame and send her our best wishes; (SLS 1042)

Dan Maloney, of Auburn, who has been inducted into the Auburn-Lewiston Sports Hall of Fame. Mr. Maloney graduated from Edward Little High School in 1981. He played football and basketball and ran track. He was a Mr. Downtown All-State Football selection in 1979 and 1980. He lettered at the University of Maine in football all 4 years and was a member of the Yankee Conference championship team in 1982. Mr. Maloney was an All-Conference pick in 1984 and an honorable mention to the Associated Press All-New England team. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Maloney on his being inducted into the Auburn-Lewiston Sports Hall of Fame and send him our best wishes; (SLS 1043)

Tammy Paradie Thibeault, of Auburn, who has been inducted into the Auburn-Lewiston Sports Hall of Fame. Ms. Thibeault was a standout basketball player at Edward Little High School and graduated in 1993. She was the first in the program to reach 1,000 points and was the leading rebounder and second in scoring in the Southwestern Maine Activities Association. While attending Westbrook College, now the University of New England, she was the Conference Player of the Year as a freshman. In 1995 she led Westbrook College to the 15th seed in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics National Tournament and became the fastest woman in Maine college history to reach 1,000 points. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Thibeault on her being inducted into the Auburn-Lewiston Sports Hall of Fame and send her our best wishes; (SLS 1044)

Cordelia Chase, of Boothbay Harbor, who was named the 2014 County Teacher of the Year for Lincoln County by Educate Maine, a business-led organization whose mission is to champion college, career readiness and increased education attainment. Ms. Chase teaches middle school students at Boothbay Region Elementary School and serves as yearbook advisor and Project Citizen advisor. We extend our congratulations to her on her receiving this honor; (SLS 1045)

Jeffrey Bailey, of Jay, who was named the 2014 County Teacher of the Year for Oxford County by Educate Maine, a business-led organization whose mission is to champion college, career readiness and increased education attainment. Mr. Bailey teaches technology at Mountain Valley High School in Rumford. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Bailey on his receiving this honor; (SLS 1046)

John Kezal, of Rumford, for his more than 50 years of running the Monday Night Pine Tree League at Oxford Lanes

Bowling and Recreation Center. Mr. Kezal, who has been bowling for more than 70 years, became president of the league upon the opening of the center in September 1963. He has remained president through the years and has also been involved in the community by serving on the Maine Veterans' Home Board of Trustees. We congratulate Mr. Kezal on his many years of commitment to his community and to the Pine Tree League, and we send him our best wishes; (SLS 1047)

The Mabel Wadsworth Women's Health Center, in Bangor, on the occasion of its 30th Anniversary. Founded in 1984, the center is the only private, nonprofit, freestanding feminist health center in Maine and one of fewer than 20 in the United States. We send the Mabel Wadsworth Health Center our congratulations on this anniversary and send our best wishes for continued success; (SLS 1048)

Jessica Chen, of Bangor, a senior at Bangor High School, on her winning the 2014 Congressional Art Competition within the Second Congressional District. Winning students are chosen by the Maine Arts Commission and are flown to Washington, D.C. to participate in an opening ceremony. Jessica's work will be on display at the United States Capitol for one year. We congratulate Jessica on her accomplishment and on her receiving this honor, and send her our best wishes; (SLS 1049)

Shirley Yuen, of Bangor, a senior at Bangor High School, who has received an Honorable Mention in the 2014 Congressional Art Competition within the Second Congressional District. We congratulate Shirley on her receiving this honor and send her our best wishes; (SLS 1050)

Morgan Kidder, of Bangor, a senior at Bangor High School, for her placing Second Runner-up in the 2014 Congressional Art Competition within the Second Congressional District. We congratulate Morgan on her receiving this honor and send her our best wishes; (SLS 1051)

Abbey Kidder, of Bangor, a senior at Bangor High School, for her placing First Runner-up in the 2014 Congressional Art Competition within the Second Congressional District. We congratulate Abbey on her receiving this honor and send her our best wishes; (SLS 1052)

Nick Fournier, of Bangor, a senior at Bangor High School, who has received an Honorable Mention in the 2014 Congressional Art Competition within the Second Congressional District. We congratulate Nick on his receiving this honor and send him our best wishes; (SLS 1053)

Norris E. Nickerson, of Holden, a dedicated educator, coach and school administrator. Mr. Nickerson began teaching biology, physical education and health and coaching football in 1962 at Bangor High School. His entire 49-year career in education was at Bangor High School, where he became assistant principal in 1974 and principal in 1989. He also held several Maine Principals' Association and National Association of Secondary School Principals offices and served on numerous committees in these associations. Mr. Nickerson retired in 2011. He will be greatly missed and long remembered by his family, his friends and the community he served with distinction; (SLS 1054) (memoriam)

The Bangor Police Department, on its receiving the Greater Bangor Convention and Visitors Bureau 2014 Impact Eagle Award for the department's outstanding contributions of time, effort and talent in preparation for the American Folk Festival and other community events. We send our appreciation to the Bangor Police Department for its strong role in making the Bangor area a welcoming community; (SLS 1055)

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Hannah Troiano, of Portland, who is a winner of the 2014 Maine Constitution Essay and Poster Contest, a contest for students from kindergarten to grade 12. Hannah is a 2nd grade student at Saccarappa School in Westbrook. Winning students and their classes are invited to view the State's original 1820 Constitution at the Maine State Archives. We extend our congratulations to Hannah on her being a winner of the contest; (SLS 1056)

Scott W. Clark, of Augusta, Director of the Office of Legislative Information Technology of the Maine State Legislature, as he steps down after more than 27 years of working for the State of Maine. Mr. Clark has been the Director of the Office of Legislative Information Technology for the past 4 years and, prior to that, he was Deputy Director for 9 years. Mr. Clark came to the Legislature from the Judicial Branch, where he was Director of the Office of Information Technology from 1989 to 2000. He began his career in information technology after graduating from the University of Maine with a bachelor of arts degree in computer science, with a concentration in business administration and economics. He received his master of public administration degree from the university in 2006. From his first position as a senior programmer analyst for Central Computer Services with the State of Maine, where he worked on projects for the Department of Education and the Legislature, Mr. Clark moved on to work for Bath Iron Works and L.L. Bean. As the IT Director for the Legislature, Mr. Clark has been responsible for all aspects of information technology services and has brought a successful team approach to his work with legislative staff as well as Legislators, government agencies, the media and the public. He has been an invaluable asset to not only the Legislature, but also to the State, having demonstrated success in all aspects of his job, from his excellent project management to his exceptional ability to work under the pressure of legislative deadlines. We send Mr. Clark our appreciation for his many years of service to the State, for his proven ability and for his dedicated support of and many contributions to information technology in the State House. We send him our best wishes on his future endeavors; (SLS 1057)

David Dutton, of Cape Elizabeth. David, a junior at Cape Elizabeth High School, was part of a two-student team that won first place in the 2014 Ford/AAA Student Auto Skills competition for Maine. This competition tests students' knowledge of and skills in automotive technology. David received a scholarship of \$10,000 and an opportunity to attend the national competition in Dearborn, Michigan. We extend our congratulations to David on his winning the Ford/AAA Student Auto Skills competition for Maine and send him our best wishes on his participation in the national event and on his future endeavors; (SLS 1058)

Alex Glidden and William Colglazier, of York, who were awarded a Global Entrepreneur Award by United Nations eGovernment Advisor Richard Kerby and Flemish Information and Communications Technology Minister Geert Bourgeois at a 3-day conference in Belgium on open data developments. Alex, 8 years of age, and William, 9 years of age, created @Me-on-the-Move, a mobile app that draws together publicly available data about events in Ghent, Belgium; Athens, Greece; Cape Town, South Africa; and York, Maine. The app breaks new ground by working in cities across 3 continents. We congratulate Alex and William on their receiving this award and send them our best wishes on their future endeavors; (SLS 1059)

Kate Smith, of South Berwick, who has been named 2014 York County Teacher of the Year by Educate Maine. Ms. Smith

teaches music to students in prekindergarten through 3rd grade at Central School. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Smith on her receiving this honor and send her our best wishes; (SLS 1060)

Lillian True, of Kittery, on the occasion of her 100th birthday, June 24, 2014. Ms. True is the recipient of the Boston Post Cane as the oldest citizen of Kittery. We send her our congratulations and best wishes to her on the centennial celebration of her life; (SLS 1061)

Harry L. Pinkham, of Boothbay Harbor, who was presented with the Boothbay Harbor Rotary Club's 2014 Lifetime Service Award for his 8 decades of service to the community. Mr. Pinkham, a lifelong resident of Boothbay Harbor, is a veteran of the Korean War and a former member of the Air Force Reserve. He worked for more than 30 years at the West Boothbay Harbor Post Office and the Boothbay Harbor Post Office and served over 60 years in the fire department as a firefighter and as treasurer, secretary and traffic control officer for the department. Mr. Pinkham is a member of the Masonic Seaside Lodge and is the only living charter member of the Boothbay Region Lions Club and has been a member of the American Legion for more than 50 years. We send our appreciation to him on his commitment to the Boothbay community and we congratulate him on his receiving this well-deserved award; (SLS 1062)

Mary Edgerly Creamer, of Whitefield, on the occasion of her 100th Birthday, March 26, 2014. Mrs. Creamer was born in Augusta and she and her family moved to Whitefield when she was 5 years of age, and she has lived there since then. She is the recipient of the Boston Post Cane as the oldest citizen of the town. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mrs. Creamer on the centennial celebration of her life; (SLS 1063)

The Loring Job Corps Center, which on August 22, 2014 is joining 125 other campuses across the nation to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of Job Corps. The program's unique residential setting allows young adults to be provided not only with high school diplomas and industry-recognized credentials, but also with the social skills and proficiency necessary to ease their transition into the workforce. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the Job Corps students going on to pursue careers in their chosen fields of study, we send the Jobs Corps our best wishes for another 50 years of success and we send our appreciation to the Loring Job Corps Center for its commitment to the community; (SLS 1064)

Eric J. Varney, of Bath, who was named the 2014 County Teacher of the Year for Sagadahoc County by Educate Maine, a business-led organization whose mission is to champion college, career readiness and increased education attainment. Mr. Varney teaches science at Morse High School. He began his teaching career at the Catalina Island Marine Institute and has a master's degree in ecological teaching and learning. We extend our congratulations to him on his receiving this honor; (SLS 1065)

The Town of Belmont, on the occasion of the 200th Anniversary of its incorporation. First settled around the year 1790, Belmont was originally a part of the Waldo patent and was incorporated on February 2, 1814. We extend our congratulations to the good citizens of Belmont as they celebrate the town's bicentennial, and we send our best wishes for its future success; (SLS 1066)

Opal Smith, of Vienna, on the celebration of her 90th birthday, May 6, 2014. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Smith on this very special occasion and send her our best wishes; (SLS 1067)



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John Hargreaves, of Farmingdale, on the occasion of his stepping down as Commander, Department of Maine American Legion. Commander Hargreaves is a United States Army veteran who served in Vietnam, and he has been a member of the American Legion for 32 years. Under his leadership, the department established a new and fully staffed service office at Togus Veterans Hospital. Commander Hargreaves is also active in his community, serving as a planning board member in Glenburn, a Babe Ruth baseball coach in Litchfield, a Cub Scout Webelos leader in Richmond and president of the Hall-Dale High School Boosters in Farmingdale. We send Commander Hargreaves our appreciation for his dedicated service to the American Legion and to the community, and we send him our best wishes; (SLS 1068)

Corporal Christopher Chase, of Wilton, a member of the Franklin County Sheriff's Office, who has received the Meritorious Award from the Franklin County Commissioners for saving the life of a motorist on February 4, 2014 in Strong. We extend our appreciation to Corporal Chase for his exemplary and heroic actions; (SLS 1069)

Jo Craemer, of Eustis, who has received the Meritorious Award from the Franklin County Commissioners for saving the life of a motorist on February 4, 2014 in Strong. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Craemer for her exemplary and heroic actions; (SLS 1070)

Sarah Reynolds, of Farmington, who was named the 2014 County Teacher of the Year for Franklin County by Educate Maine, a business-led organization whose mission is to champion college, career readiness and increased education attainment. Ms. Reynolds teaches 4th grade at Cascade Brook School in Farmington and, prior to taking on that position, taught at Belgrade Central School. We extend our congratulations to her on her receiving this honor; (SLS 1071)

Jennifer Dorman, of Farmington, who was named the 2014 County Teacher of the Year for Somerset County by Educate Maine, a business-led organization whose mission is to champion college and career readiness and increased education attainment. Ms. Dorman teaches English and language arts at Skowhegan Area Middle School. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Dorman on her receiving this honor; (SLS 1072)

Duane Hardy, of Farmington, on the occasion of his retirement after 38 years of service at Regional School Unit No. 9. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Hardy for his dedication to the youth of the State and send him our best wishes in his future endeavors; (SLS 1073)

Sharon Parlin, of Farmington, on the occasion of her retirement after 38 years of service at Regional School Unit No. 9. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Parlin for her dedication to the youth of the State and send her our best wishes in her future endeavors; (SLS 1074)

Linda Cook, of Farmington, on the occasion of her retirement after 38 years of service at Regional School Unit No. 9. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Cook for her dedication to the youth of the State and send her our best wishes in her future endeavors; (SLS 1075)

Abigail Quintela, of Lincoln, on the occasion of her being crowned Teen Miss Eastern Maine Talent Queen for 2014. We extend our congratulations to Abigail on her receiving this honor and send her our best wishes; (SLS 1076)

Sarah Hanington, of Lincoln, on the occasion of her being crowned Junior Miss Eastern Maine Photogenic Queen for 2014. She was also voted Miss Congeniality. We extend our

congratulations to Sarah on her receiving these honors and send her our best wishes; (SLS 1077)

Allison Morton, of Lincoln, on the occasion of her being crowned Junior Miss Eastern Maine Modeling Queen for 2014. We extend our congratulations to Allison on her receiving this honor and send her our best wishes; (SLS 1078)

Abby Spector, of Waterville, who has been inducted into the Maine Sports Hall of Fame. Ms. Spector is a 7-time Maine Women's Amateur golf champion. She helped change the rules for junior female golfers when she competed against boys in the early 1990s before there were separate championships for girls. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Spector on her being inducted into the Maine Sports Hall of Fame and send her our best wishes; (SLS 1079)

Courtney Dumont, of Sanford, who has been recognized by the Southwestern Maine Activities Association for her contribution to athletics and for being an excellent role model and citizen in school and in the community. Courtney is a standout on the Sanford High School lacrosse team. We extend our congratulations to Courtney on her receiving this recognition and send her our best wishes; (SLS 1080)

John Morgan, of Sanford, who has been recognized by the Southwestern Maine Activities Association for his contribution to athletics and for being an excellent role model and citizen in school and in the community. John was the leading scorer for the Sanford High School basketball team this year. We extend our congratulations to John on his receiving this recognition and send him our best wishes; (SLS 1081)

Sarah Draper, of Caribou, 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. Sarah helped the Bread of Life Soup Kitchen by building garden boxes to plant seasonal vegetables for the soup kitchen. We send our congratulations to her on this accomplishment; (SLS 1082)

Sue Fitzgerald, of Bath, on the occasion of her retirement from the Board of Directors of Maine Family Planning, on which she has served since 1989. Over the course of her time on the board, Ms. Fitzgerald has served as vice president, secretary and treasurer, and has been a member of the fundraising, nominating and executive committees. She has been involved in every major initiative undertaken by Maine Family Planning over the last 25 years. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Fitzgerald as she steps down from the Board of Directors and we send her our best wishes; (SLS 1083)

Deidre Sachs, of Freeport, 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. Deidre created and directed a free performance arts camp for low-income children. We send our congratulations to her on this accomplishment; (SLS 1084)

Ariel Bouchard, of Brunswick, 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. Ariel and her team of students worked with a local retirement community to share and record life stories. We send our congratulations to her on this accomplishment; (SLS 1085)

Jane Vaughn, of Cape Elizabeth, a senior at Cape Elizabeth High School, who was chosen by poet Richard Blanco as the first place winner of the 7th annual Merriconeag Poetry Festival.

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Jane's poem was entitled "The Tall Figures of Giacometti," and Mr. Blanco, who was the inaugural poet at President Obama's second inauguration, chose it from a series of 20 finalists. We extend our congratulations to Jane on her receiving this honor and we send her our best wishes; (SLS 1086)

The Honorable Stephen Emerson Hall, of Guilford, a former member of the Senate. Mr. Hall was a 1960 graduate of Foxcroft Academy. He moved to Houlton and was store manager for the First National chain of grocery stores. He later began a career in law enforcement as a patrol officer for the Houlton Police Department and then became a Maine State Game Warden. Mr. Hall transferred to Jackman, and then to Guilford, where he was promoted from District Warden to Sergeant, retiring as a Lieutenant. He then took on a second career as a real estate sales agent. Mr. Hall was very active in the Guilford Kiwanis Club, serving as its president and auctioneer. He also served as President of the Piscataquis Country Club, Chairman of the Piscataquis County Republican Committee and as a member of the SAD #4 school board. He served 3 terms in the Senate from 1992 to 1998. Mr. Hall will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving family, his many friends and the community he served so well; (SLS 1087) (memoriam)

The Honorable Barbara E. Strout, of Windham, longtime town clerk for Windham and former Maine Legislator. Mrs. Strout served as Windham town clerk from 1968 to 1977 and from 1978 to 1986, also serving as Casco town manager during the interim. She was elected to the Maine House of Representatives, representing District 37 during the 113th and 114th Legislatures. She was active in local politics, serving on the Windham Republican Town Committee, where she served as secretary and chair, and the Cumberland County Republican Committee, where she served as secretary. Mrs. Strout also worked at the polls for the Town of Windham for many decades. Her family and her community were very important to her, and she was a member of the Windham Hill United Church of Christ for 42 years, serving the church as treasurer for 21 years. Mrs. Strout will be greatly missed and long remembered by her loving family and friends; (SLS 1088) (memoriam)

Eleanor Jones, of Ellsworth, upon her receiving the 2014 Citizen of the Year Award from the Ellsworth Area Chamber of Commerce, an award given to an outstanding individual who embodies community spirit through volunteerism, involvement and advocacy. A retired Ellsworth school teacher, Ms. Jones has remained very active during her retirement, serving the elderly and volunteering within the community. She delivers meals to shut-ins, drives individuals to medical appointments, stores and pharmacies and provides activities and other services to residents of area nursing homes. Ms. Jones has been an active member of the Ellsworth Lioness Club for more than 30 years, where she continues to make fudge for attendees of the annual father-daughter dances. She has been an active member of the First Congregational Church of Ellsworth for more than 35 years. We send her our appreciation for her service to the community and we congratulate her on her receiving this well-deserved honor; (SLS 1089)

Ursula Hebert-Johnson, of Waterville, a senior at Waterville Senior High School, who has been named a United States Presidential Scholar. The United States Presidential Scholarship Program recognizes academic excellence, artistic accomplishments and civic contributions. Ursula was one of 120 high school senior students who were named Presidential Scholars from about 3,000 candidates. We extend our

congratulations and best wishes to Ursula on her receiving this award; (SLS 1090)

Cami Dubois, of Winslow, who won the All-Around Championship at the 2014 YMCA state gymnastics meet. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Cami on this achievement; (SLS 1091)

Alison Linscott, of Waterville, who won the All-Around Championship at the 2014 YMCA state gymnastics meet. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Alison on this achievement; (SLS 1092)

Molly Doyle, of West Newfield, an 8th grade student at Massabesic Middle School, who won first place in the Junior Division: Individual Web Site category of the Maine National History Day competition. Molly will represent Maine at the National History Day competition at the University of Maryland in College Park, Maryland. Her winning submission was "'Folks, It's a Hoax!' A Project on the Views of Holocaust Denial," a website focusing on the views of those who deny that the Holocaust ever happened. Molly was also named the "Outstanding Student of the Year" in her grade for this work by the Holocaust and Human Rights Center of Maine. We extend our congratulations to Molly on her receiving these well-deserved honors, and we send her our best wishes; (SLS 1093)

Gerald Button, of Stetson, a longtime teacher in the Bangor area. Mr. Button was born in Aberdeen, South Dakota and was a graduate of Sioux Falls College. He served in the United States Army and was stationed in Panama. Mr. Button taught at John Bapst Memorial High School and then at Brewer High School, retiring after 30 years of dedicated service to his students. He also worked for many years as an Immigration Officer for Bangor International Airport and wrote many articles for the [I]Bangor Daily News[I]. Mr. Button will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving wife, Patricia, his family and those whose lives he touched; (SLS 1094) (memoriam)

Donald Langley, of West Gardiner, on the occasion of his retiring after 40 years of dedicated service to the State as a Consumer Protection Inspector in the Division of Quality Assurance and Regulations within the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry. We send Mr. Langley our appreciation for his commitment to consumer protection and to the State, and for his many years of being an exemplary public servant. We extend our congratulations to him on his well-deserved retirement and give him our best wishes; (SLS 1095)

Lamey Wellehan, of Auburn, on its receiving the Agren Appliance Large Business Award, presented by Maine's Institute for Family-Owned Business. Lamey Wellehan is a family shoe store started in Lewiston in 1914. Lamey Wellehan now has 6 stores and 100 workers. We extend our congratulations to Lamey Wellehan on its receiving this award and send our best wishes; (SLS 1096)

Ronald Cohen, of Boothbay Harbor, who is the recipient of the Distinguished Student Award given by the University of Maine at Augusta. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. Cohen on his receiving this award; (SLS 1097)

Sophia Thayer, of Boothbay, who has earned the distinction of being named Valedictorian of the 2014 graduating class of Boothbay Region High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Sophia on this achievement; (SLS 1098)

Jack Simmons, of Falmouth, who is the 2014 recipient of the Justice Louis Scolnik Award from the American Civil Liberties Union of Maine. Mr. Simmons has distinguished himself as a passionate advocate for the rights of the accused, fighting for

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Miranda rights, the presumption of innocence and equal protection under the law. The award has been presented since 1989 to individuals who demonstrate an outstanding commitment to defending and advancing civil liberties and civil rights. Mr. Simmons, of the law firm Berman and Simmons, has a distinguished legal career spanning 50 years. We extend our congratulations to him on his receiving this award; (SLS 1099)

Brooke Benedict, of Waldoboro, who has earned the distinction of being named Valedictorian of the 2014 graduating class of Medomak Valley High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Brooke on this achievement; (SLS 1100)

Cyril Miller, of Waldoboro, who has earned the distinction of being named Salutatorian of the 2014 graduating class of Medomak Valley High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Cyril on this achievement; (SLS 1101)

Robert Campbell, of Boothbay, who has earned the distinction of being named Salutatorian of the 2014 graduating class of Boothbay Region High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Robert on this achievement; (SLS 1102)

Briana Goud, of Waldoboro, a senior at Wiscasset High School, who is the recipient of a \$5,000 Hood Sportsmanship Scholarship. Briana was recently named as a top scholar in her senior class. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Briana on her winning this scholarship; (SLS 1103)

Pawel Kruszewski, of Auburn, who is a recipient of a 2014 Real Heroes Award for Community Service from the American Red Cross of Maine, United Valley Chapter, for pulling 3 people from a burning vehicle. We congratulate Mr. Kruszewski on his receiving this well-deserved honor; (SLS 1104)

Marissa Bovie, of Vassalboro, a student of anthropology at the University of Maine, who was selected as a winner of the University of Maine's 5th annual Undergraduate Research and Academic Showcase. Marissa was awarded a Summer Research and Creative Academic Achievements Fellowship for her project entitled "Landscape Evolution and Human Agency along Croatia's Adriatic Coast." We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on her receiving this honor; (SLS 1105)

Curtis and Pearl Smith, of Strong, on the occasion of their 70th Wedding Anniversary, March 11, 2014. Mr. and Mrs. Smith have 4 children, 7 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren. We extend our congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Smith on this very special occasion and send them our best wishes; (SLS 1106)

The top graduating students of the 2014 graduating class of Mt. Abram High School, in Salem: Emma Houston, Valedictorian; Ivy Mitman, Salutatorian; Emily Listowich; Maggie Elliott; Alexandra Harden; Patia Jellison; Thomas Faraday; Christopher Daly; Amos Withee; Solomon Fast; Jonathan Hart; Colin McCarthy-Edwards; Arthur Ryan and Nicholas Cote. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the students on their achievements; (SLS 1107)

The Town of Carrabassett Valley, which has been named the Best Mountain-Biking Network in New England by [I]Yankee[/I] magazine. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the Town of Carrabassett Valley on its receiving this honor; (SLS 1108)

The Rangeley Outdoor Sporting Heritage Museum in Oquossoc, which has been named the Best Sporting Museum in New England by [I]Yankee[/I] magazine. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the Rangeley Outdoor Sporting Heritage Museum on its receiving this honor; (SLS 1109)

Judy McCurdy, of Kingfield, on the occasion of her retirement after 34 years of service at Maine School Administrative District No. 58, including 30 years as the registrar at Mt. Abram High School. We extend our appreciation to Ms. McCurdy for her dedication to the youth of the State and send her our best wishes in her future endeavors; (SLS 1110)

The Rangeley Public Library, on its winning the "Your Beautiful Library Contest" sponsored by Cengage Learning. The library received the designation of "Best Curb Appeal" and will receive a \$500 prize. In 1978, the Rangeley Public Library was honored by membership in the National Register of Historic Places. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the Rangeley Public Library on its receiving this honor; (SLS 1111)

The 25th Anniversary of the Friends of Wilson Lake association. Founded in 1989, the Friends of Wilson Lake association was incorporated in early 1990. We send our congratulations on this occasion and send our best wishes for continued success; (SLS 1112)

Brenda Stevens, of New Portland, on the occasion of her retirement after 40 years in education. Ms. Stevens is retiring from Maine School Administrative District No. 58, where she has served in the last 14 years as Assistant Principal, Principal and Superintendent. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Stevens for her dedication to the youth of the State and send her our best wishes in her future endeavors; (SLS 1113)

The Rangeley Lakes Region Logging Museum Logging Festival, which has been named one of the Top 20 Events in Maine by [I]Yankee[/I] magazine. We extend our congratulations to the Rangeley Lakes Region Logging Museum Logging Festival on its receiving this honor; (SLS 1114)

James Grant, of Industry, for his heroic efforts in saving 3 people from the icy waters of Clearwater Pond. Mr. Grant, a retiree and former firefighter and Vietnam War helicopter pilot, rescued 3 canoeists from the 40-degree water, pulling 2 women and a man to safety. Mr. Grant persisted even after his own personal watercraft overturned, and his actions exemplify the best attributes of Maine's citizens. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Grant for his selflessness and his heroic efforts to save 3 lives; (SLS 1115)

Doug Hodum of Farmington, a biology teacher and head of the Science Department at Mt. Blue High School, who was profiled in the Hope Street Group's new report, "Engaging Teachers in Policy Development." The Hope Street Group is a national public policy organization dedicated to solving our nation's critical jobs, health care and education problems. Mr. Hodum, who is also President of the Maine Science Teachers Association, is involved in an ongoing policy project to develop a teacher evaluation system as part of his policy engagement work as a Hope Street Group National Teacher Fellow. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. Hodum; (SLS 1116)

Barbara Cook, of Jay, who is the recipient of the 2014 North Jay Grange No. 10 Community Service Award for her generous volunteerism. Ms. Cook moved to Jay in 1978 and began volunteering with the Amvets Ladies Auxiliary, and in 1998, she joined the Jay-Livermore Falls Rotary. The Rotary disbanded in 2007, but Ms. Cook continued to collect coats for the needy and she now organizes the Spirit of Season Christmas parade with others. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Cook on her receiving this award; (SLS 1117)

Hallie Twomey, of Auburn, who is a recipient of a 2014 Real Heroes Award for Community Service from the American Red Cross of Maine, United Valley Chapter, for raising thousands of

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dollars for the New England Organ Bank and organizing an annual blood drive, in memory of her son, C.J. Twomey. We congratulate Ms. Twomey on her receiving this well-deserved honor; (SLS 1118)

The Lewiston Fire Department, the Auburn Fire Department, the Lewiston Police Department and the Auburn Police Department, who are recipients of a 2014 Real Heroes Award for Community Service from the American Red Cross of Maine, United Valley Branch. The departments are receiving the award in recognition of their joint efforts in fighting 3 major fires in one week's time, including a 30-acre brush fire. We congratulate the members of the departments on their receiving this well-deserved honor; (SLS 1119)

Andrew Bilodeau, of Lewiston, who is a recipient of a 2014 Real Heroes Award for Community Service from the American Red Cross of Maine, United Valley Chapter, for pulling a 7-year-old boy from the Androscoggin River and saving his life. We congratulate Andrew on his receiving this well-deserved honor; (SLS 1120)

Mary Bonauto, of Portland, who has received the 2014 Tribute to Women Industry Award from the Maine Women's Fund. This award is given to recognize a woman who is a leader in her field and who has achieved significant accomplishments. Ms. Bonauto, a Portland lawyer, served as lead counsel in the effort to legalize same-sex marriage in Massachusetts. She also led the challenge that overturned the federal Defense of Marriage Act and served as the civil rights project director at the Gay and Lesbian Advocates Defenders office in Boston, Massachusetts for 2 decades. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Bonauto on her receiving this well-deserved award; (SLS 1121)

Cuppy Johndro, of Caribou, who was named the 2014 Volunteer of the Year by the Caribou Area Chamber of Commerce for her contributions to the community. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Ms. Johndro on her receiving this well-deserved award; (SLS 1122)

Abigail Cote, of Mapleton, Darby Clark, of Ashland, and McKenna Condon, of Ashland, who are recipients of a 2014 Real Heroes Award for Community Service from the American Red Cross of Maine, for their roles in providing assistance to a teacher who had collapsed. We congratulate Abigail, Darby and McKenna on their receiving this well-deserved honor; (SLS 1123)

Caleb Gordon, of Caribou, who was named 2014 Student of the Year at the Caribou Regional Technology Center. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Caleb on his receiving this honor; (SLS 1124)

Kathy Mazzuchelli, of Caribou, Superintendent of the Caribou Parks and Recreation Department, who was presented the 2014 Lifetime Achievement Award by the Caribou Area Chamber of Commerce for all that she's accomplished in her 39 years of serving the city and its residents. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Ms. Mazzuchelli on her receiving this honor; (SLS 1125)

Eldon Jandreau, of Portage Lake, who is a recipient of a 2014 Real Heroes Award for Community Service from the American Red Cross of Maine, for his role in helping a man in danger of developing hypothermia after the man fell through the ice and later collapsed. We congratulate Mr. Jandreau on his receiving this well-deserved award; (SLS 1126)

Lorraine and Joe Chamberlain, of Caribou, who are recipients of a 2014 Real Heroes Award for Community Service from the American Red Cross of Maine, for their tireless efforts in coordinating the Andy Santerre Snowmobile Run, the major

source of funding for the Sexual Assault Services program. We congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Chamberlain on their receiving this well-deserved honor; (SLS 1127)

Robert James McKenzie, of Caribou, who is a recipient of a 2014 Real Heroes Award for Community Service from the American Red Cross of Maine, for his role in aiding his grandmother, who had fallen on an icy driveway and slid under a parked vehicle. We congratulate him on his receiving this well-deserved honor; (SLS 1128)

Kourtney West, of Limestone, on the occasion of her being crowned 2014 Miss Pre-Teen Limestone. We send Kourtney our congratulations and best wishes on her receiving this honor; (SLS 1129)

Abigayle St. Peter, of Limestone, on the occasion of her being crowned 2014 Little Miss Limestone. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Abigayle on her receiving this honor; (SLS 1130)

Ellyzabeth Bencivenga, of Limestone, on the occasion of her being crowned the 2014 Miss Limestone. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Ellyzabeth on her receiving this honor; (SLS 1131)

Steve Mazerolle, of Caribou, who is a recipient of a 2014 Real Heroes Award for Community Service from the American Red Cross of Maine, for his exemplary work in helping those in need at the local soup kitchen. We congratulate Mr. Mazerolle on his receiving this well-deserved honor; (SLS 1132)

Renee Bahmani, of Gorham, whose entry, "Grammie Lucy's Cupcake," won the best cake or cupcake award at the 28th annual Chocolate Lovers Fling. The Chocolate Lovers Fling is sponsored by Sexual Assault Response Services of Southern Maine and is the organization's largest fund-raiser. We send her our congratulations on her receiving this award; (SLS 1133)

Trish Moulton, of Gorham, who was named the 2014 Gorham Business Exchange Business Person of the Year for her commitment to the community's youth. Ms. Moulton, the owner of Dance Studio of Maine, is known for her passionate approach to helping Gorham's youth grow by mentoring and becoming involved in community events. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Moulton on her receiving this well-deserved honor; (SLS 1134)

Eric Dowd, of Richmond, a student at Castleton State College, who is the recipient of the Student Life College Service Award for the 2013-2014 academic year for his outstanding contributions to the college through his participation in extracurricular activities. He also received the Student Government Association Good Citizenship Award for his devotion to the welfare of the college and for his outstanding performance as a campus leader. We send Eric our congratulations on his receiving these honors; (SLS 1135)

Kyle A. Hietala, who was named a 2014 United States Presidential Scholar. Kyle, a senior at Morse High School in Bath, is one of 2 United States Presidential Scholars from Maine. The program was established in 1964 to honor the academic excellence, artistic accomplishments and civic contributions of exemplary graduating high school students and is one of the nation's highest honors given to high school seniors. Kyle was one of 141 senior students selected from 3,000 nominees. We extend our congratulations to him on his receiving this honor and we send him our best wishes for continued success; (SLS 1136)

Carol Labbe, of Rome, on the occasion of her retirement after 33 years as an office coordinator in the Maranacook

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schools. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Ms. Labbe on her retirement; (SLS 1137)

John Whitney, of Vienna, on the occasion of his retirement after 32 years of teaching, 24 of which were in Regional School Unit No. 38 at Maranacook Community High School. We send Mr. Whitney our appreciation for his commitment to the youth of Maine, and we congratulate him on his retirement; (SLS 1138)

Kyler Wilson, of Greenbush, 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 Kyler on his receiving this honor; (SLS 1139)

Molly LeBlanc, of Enfield, on the occasion of her being crowned 2014 Beta Gamma Junior Miss. We congratulate Molly on her receiving this honor and send her our best wishes; (SLS 1140)

Meagan Butler, of Lincoln, on the occasion of her receiving the Beta Gamma "Ray of Hope" Award. We extend our congratulations to Meagan on her receiving this honor; (SLS 1141)

Macy Grant, of Mattawamkeag, on the occasion of her being crowned the 2014 Beta Gamma Little Miss. We congratulate Macy on her receiving this honor and send her our best wishes; (SLS 1142)

Mark Simpson, of Farmington, a teacher at Mt. Blue Middle School, on the occasion of his retirement after 37 years of teaching. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him; (SLS 1143)

Therese Hersey, of Farmington, a teacher at Mt. Blue High School, on the occasion of her retirement after 23 years in teaching. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her; (SLS 1144)

Patricia West, of Wilton, a Title 1 teacher at Gerald D. Cushing School, on the occasion of her retirement after 28 years in education. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her; (SLS 1145)

Barry Maguire, of Wilton, a teacher at Academy Hill School, on the occasion of his retirement after 39 years in education. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him; (SLS 1146)

Jocelyn Lorrey, of Kittery, a senior at Traip Academy, who is a recipient of a Daughters of the American Revolution Good Citizen Award for her dependability, leadership, service and patriotism. We extend our congratulations to Jocelyn on her receiving this award; (SLS 1147)

Chief Deputy Shawn Ryan Donahue, Sr., of Baileyville, devoted husband and father. In 1995, Mr. Donahue started his law enforcement career with the Calais Police Department. After graduating from the Municipal/County Basic Police School, he worked for the Baileyville Police Department, working his way up to the rank of Sergeant. In 2009, he worked as a patrol deputy for the Washington County Sheriff's Department until he accepted the position of Chief for the Baileyville Police Department, a position he held until 2013. In January 2013, he returned to the Washington County Sheriff's Department and served as its Chief Deputy. Mr. Donahue was a member of the Maine Sheriffs Association, the Maine Chiefs of Police Association, the Spednic Club and the Crossroads Snowmobiling Club. He loved the outdoors and enjoyed hunting, fishing, softball and snowmobiling. Mr. Donahue will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving family, his many friends and the community he served; (SLS 1148) (memoriam)

Sarah Victoria Hanley, of Wiscasset, who has earned the distinction of being named a Top Scholar of the 2014 graduating class of Wiscasset High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Sarah on her receiving this honor; (SLS 1149)

Briana Lynn Goud, of Wiscasset, who has earned the distinction of being named a Top Scholar of the 2014 graduating class of Wiscasset High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Briana on her receiving this honor; (SLS 1150)

Nathan M. Panarese, of Wiscasset, who has earned the distinction of being named a Top Scholar of the 2014 graduating class of Wiscasset High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Nathan on his receiving this honor; (SLS 1151)

The top ten graduating students of the 2014 graduating class of Wells High School: Cassidy Healey, Valedictorian; Nicole Moody, Salutatorian; Kasey Bullard; Emily Chrisemer; Anthony Crawford; Timothy Finley; Zoe Gatzogiannis; Tristan Jordan; Jasmine Loukola; Elizabeth Thompson; and Amelia Verges. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the students on their achievements; (SLS 1152)

Mildred Hall, of Mount Vernon, who is the recipient of the Mount Vernon Longevity Cane as the town's oldest citizen. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on her receiving this honor; (SLS 1153)

Betsy Turcotte, of New Vineyard, librarian at W.G. Mallett School, on the occasion of her retirement after over 20 years in education, 17 of which as librarian. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her; (SLS 1154)

Kyle LaRochelle, of Rangeley, who is a 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 Kyle on his receiving this honor; (SLS 1155)

Airada Sriwong, of Strong, who is a 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 Airada on her receiving this honor; (SLS 1156)

Chenoa Savage, of Kingfield, who is a 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 Chenoa on her receiving this honor; (SLS 1157)

Alexandra Ryan, of Phillips, who is a 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 Alexandra on her receiving this honor; (SLS 1158)

Anna Libby and Adrienne Perron, of Wells, who have been chosen to be part of the Macy's Great American Marching Band for the 2014 Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade in New York City. The Macy's Great American Marching Band selects only the best musicians, guard students and dancers to be a part of the ensemble. Selection is limited by state and Maine is allowed only 2 representatives. Both of Maine's representatives have been chosen from Wells High School this year. We extend our congratulations to Anna and Adrienne on their receiving this prestigious honor and send them our best wishes; (SLS 1159)

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The following Cape Elizabeth High School students who participated in the Dartmouth Model United Nations Conference: Sara Paclat, Daniel Menz, Tom Gleason and Alex Mukai, who received Verbal Commendations; Luke Gilman and Jana Freedman, who were cited for having the best position papers; Andrew Hollyday, who was given an Honorable Mention; Addie Wood, Matthew Reale-Hatem and Nick Shedd, who received Outstanding Delegate Awards; and Jack Hall, who was named Best Delegate. We congratulate the students on their participation and accomplishments in the conference, and we send them our best wishes on their future endeavors; (SLS 1160)

Helen Louise Sherman, of Island Falls, on the celebration of her 100th birthday, June 12, 2014. Mrs. Sherman was born in Patten, the oldest of 14 children. She and her daughter attended college at the same time. Mrs. Sherman became a practical nurse. She was a medical secretary at Houlton Regional Hospital. She is a long-standing member of the Island Falls Baptist Church. We extend our congratulations to Mrs. Sherman and send her our best wishes on this very special occasion; (SLS 1161)

James E. Ryan, Jr., of Hampden, on the occasion of his retirement as Executive Director of the Penobscot Regional Communications Center for Penobscot County. He developed the core values that represent the center: Integrity, Compassion, Professionalism and Team Spirit. Mr. Ryan also served more than 30 years with the Maine State Police, serving as its Communications Director. He is also a retired Master Sergeant of the United States Navy, serving onboard a ship during the Vietnam War and during Desert Storm, when he was called to duty. We send Mr. Ryan our appreciation for his many years of service to his profession, to his State and to the Nation. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on his retirement; (SLS 1162)

The Honorable Thomas A. Duffy, of Otis, who served 4 terms in the House of Representatives, on the occasion of his retirement as Facility Manager for Penobscot County. Mr. Duffy has devoted many years to public service, and we send him our appreciation for his commitment to his community and to the State. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on his retirement; (SLS 1163)

Abigail Ward, of Buxton, who has earned the distinction of being named Valedictorian of the 2014 graduating class of Bonny Eagle High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Abigail on her receiving this honor; (SLS 1164)

Kelsey Sicard, of Hollis, who has earned the distinction of being named Salutatorian of the 2014 graduating class of Bonny Eagle High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Kelsey on her receiving this honor. (SLS 1165)

Earl and Annette Rancourt, of Waterville, who were named 2014 Spirit of America Volunteers of the Year by the City of Waterville. Mr. and Mrs. Rancourt have been tireless volunteers for the city as warden and ward clerk for the last 15 years and have been responsible for managing many aspects of the voting process. They are outstanding members of the community and are active members of the business and church communities. They are part of a group of parishioners who started Notre Dame Credit Union in 1956 and have helped the credit union grow over the years. We extend our congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Rancourt on their receiving this honor and send them our best wishes; (SLS 1166)

Florence Donovan, of Waterville, who has been recognized by Hospice Volunteers of Waterville Area, HVWA, for her

involvement with and support of HVWA. Mrs. Donovan has logged many hours as a volunteer with HVWA since 2012. She volunteers at the HVWA resale shop. She has also volunteered for the American Red Cross, the Thayer Hospital children's book program and the Canaan Fire and Rescue Auxiliary. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Donovan for her dedication to the citizens of the State and send her our best wishes; (SLS 1167)

Nancy DeRoche, of Benton, who has been recognized by Hospice Volunteers of Waterville Area, HVWA, for her involvement with and support of HVWA. Mrs. DeRoche has been a volunteer with HVWA since 2012 and has logged more than 250 hours in the resale shop. Mrs. DeRoche participated in HVWA's Direct Care training and is now certified by the State to provide compassionate nonmedical care and support to individuals and their families during the last phases of life. We extend our appreciation to Mrs. DeRoche for her dedication to the citizens of the State and send her our best wishes; (SLS 1168)

The Caribou High School girls and boys track teams, on their winning the Aroostook League Track and Field Championships. We congratulate the members of the teams on their accomplishment and we send them our best wishes; (SLS 1169)

Ruth Wheeler Wood, of Waterville, on the occasion of her 100th Birthday, June 8, 2014. Mrs. Wood was born in Oakland and graduated from Colby College with a bachelor's degree in science and also earned a degree in science from Columbia University. She married Elmore Wood in 1943 at her mother's house, and they were married for 52 years, raising 2 children. Her late husband was a guard in the United States Air Force and served in World War II, and they traveled throughout the world and lived in Putney, England from 1950 to 1952. Mrs. Wood worked at Iowa State College, was Librarian at Dartmouth University and worked at the Maine State Library for 30 years until her retirement in 1977. She enjoys spending her golden years in the latest theater productions, solving puzzles and relaxing with her family and friends. We extend our congratulations to her on the centennial celebration of her life and send her our best wishes; (SLS 1170)

Betty Robinson, of Auburn, on the occasion of her retirement after 20 years of dedicated service with the University of Southern Maine, Lewiston-Auburn College. Ms. Robinson was a faculty member and served as Dean of Lewiston-Auburn College from 1996 to 2003. She was attracted to Lewiston-Auburn College by the innovative interdisciplinary concept and the close affiliation with the community. Ms. Robinson has received many awards for her contributions to higher education. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Robinson for her commitment to the citizens of the State and wish her well in her future endeavors; (SLS 1171)

Alexandra Rydlizky, of Ellsworth, who has earned the distinction of being named Valedictorian of the 2014 graduating class of Ellsworth High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Alexandra on her receiving this honor; (SLS 1172)

Brayden Beardsley, of Surry, who has earned the distinction of being named Salutatorian of the 2014 graduating class of Ellsworth High School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Brayden on his receiving this honor; (SLS 1173)

Matthew Reale-Hatem and Alex Mukai, students at Cape Elizabeth High School who received Outstanding Delegate awards at the Brown University Model United Nations Conference. We congratulate Matthew and Alex on their

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participation and accomplishments at the conference, and we send them our best wishes on their future endeavors; (SLS 1174)

Jennifer Granata, of Scarborough, who was selected for the 2014 Nurse Manager Award by the Emergency Nurses Association for her work as an emergency department nurse manager. Ms. Granata is an emergency department nurse manager at Southern Maine Health Care in Biddeford and also provides hands-on nursing at the SMHC Walk-In Care clinic. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Ms. Granata on her receiving this well-deserved award; (SLS 1175)

Ruth A. Lyons, of Topsham, on the occasion of her retirement as Town Clerk after nearly 24 years of service to the town. Ms. Lyons attended Casco Bay College and worked a variety of jobs, including owning and operating a general store, before going to work for the Town of Topsham in 1990. She started with the town as an assistant tax collector, soon became a deputy clerk and a year later was promoted to Town Clerk. She was named the 2013 Clerk of the Year by the Maine Town and City Clerks' Association. We send Ms. Lyons our appreciation for her service to her community and to the State, and we congratulate her on her retirement; (SLS 1176)

Jordyn Hopkins, of Limestone, who has earned the distinction of being named Valedictorian of the 2014 graduating class of Limestone Community School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Jordyn on her receiving this honor; (SLS 1177)

The Cary Medical Center, in Caribou, on its receiving an "A" Hospital Safety Score from the Leapfrog Group. Cary Medical Center was one of only 250 hospitals nationwide to score an "A" for 5 consecutive reporting periods. We extend our appreciation to the Cary Medical Center and its staff for its commitment to the citizens of the State and congratulate it on its receiving this honor; (SLS 1178)

Melissa Cantafio, of Limestone, who has earned the distinction of being named Salutatorian of the 2014 graduating class of Limestone Community School. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Melissa on her receiving this honor; (SLS 1179)

The following members of the Maine School of Science and Mathematics Envirothon Team, in Limestone, who won the Northern Regional Envirothon: Jasmine Waite, Samantha Heino, Josephine Sehon, Sixuan Wu and Elizareta Maslak. We extend our congratulations to the members of the team on this achievement; (SLS 1180)

Wendy Bossie, of Caribou, who is the recipient of the 2014 Aroostook Spirit Award from the Caribou Area Chamber of Commerce for her work in helping to preserve the city's history. We extend our congratulations to her on her receiving this award; (SLS 1181)

John D. Phinney, of Gorham, on the occasion of his retirement from the Board of Directors for Gorham Savings Bank. Mr. Phinney, president of Phinney Lumber, has roots in the community going back to 1736. He became a corporator of the bank in 1975 and joined the board of directors in 1989. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. Phinney on his retirement; (SLS 1182)

Lucy Tumavicus, of Portland, who won the 2014 Maine State Spelling Bee. Lucy, who is an 8th-grade student at Lincoln Middle School, won in the 94th round after a 5-hour competition. She represented Maine at the Scripps National Spelling Bee on May 27-29, 2014 in National Harbor, Maryland. We congratulate

Lucy and send her our best wishes on this outstanding accomplishment; (SLS 1183)

Mason Bosse, of Auburn, a student at Edward Little High School, who is a recipient of a Daughters of the American Revolution Good Citizenship Medal Award for his dependability, leadership, service and patriotism. We extend our congratulations to Mason on his receiving this award; (SLS 1184)

Ken Blais, of Auburn, who is the recipient of a Spirit of America Award from the Spirit of America Foundation. The Spirit of America Foundation was established to encourage and promote volunteerism, and the award is presented to honor local individuals, organizations or projects in appreciation of community service. We send our congratulations to Mr. Blais on his receiving this award; (SLS 1185)

The Tri-Town Food Bank and Thrift Shop, in Poland, on its receiving the Spirit of America Award from the Spirit of America Foundation. The Spirit of America Foundation was established to encourage and promote volunteerism, and the award is presented to honor local individuals, organizations or projects in appreciation of community service. We send our congratulations to the Tri-Town Food Bank and Thrift Shop on its receiving this award; (SLS 1186)

Judith (Jutka) Magyar Isaacson and Irving Isaacson, of Auburn, who were presented with a Joint Lifetime Achievement Award by the Holocaust and Human Rights Center of Maine. Mrs. Isaacson met her husband, then a United States Army captain serving with the Office of Strategic Services in Europe, when she had been recently liberated from a satellite camp of Buchenwald. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the Isaacsons on their receiving this honor; (SLS 1187)

Kennedy Hubbard, of Auburn, a student at Edward Little High School, who is a recipient of a Daughters of the American Revolution Good Citizen Award for her dependability, leadership, service and patriotism. We extend our congratulations to Kennedy on her receiving this award; (SLS 1188)

The members of Boy Scout Troop No. 145 and Cub Scout Pack No. 145, of Durham, who are 2014 recipients of the Spirit of America Award given by the Spirit of America Foundation for outstanding community service. The Spirit of America Foundation was established to encourage and promote volunteerism, and the award is presented to honor local individuals, organizations or projects in appreciation of community service. We send our congratulations to the scouts on their receiving this award; (SLS 1189)

Julia Sleeper, of Lewiston, executive director and co-founder of Tree Street Youth, aiding inner-city children, who is the recipient of a Spirit of America Award from the Spirit of America Foundation. The Spirit of America Foundation was established to encourage and promote volunteerism, and the award is presented to honor local individuals, organizations or projects in appreciation of community service. We send our congratulations to Ms. Sleeper on her receiving this award; (SLS 1190)

The Lewiston High School Boys Outdoor Track and Field Team on its winning the 2014 Kennebec Valley Athletic Conference Championship in boys track and field. We congratulate the team on this achievement; (SLS 1191)

The Waterville Senior High School Boys Track Team, on its winning the 2014 Class B Track and Field State Championship. The team placed first in the 110-meter hurdles, the 300-meter hurdles and the triple jump. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the members of the team on this achievement; (SLS 1192)

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Suzanne Janelle, of Saco, on the occasion of her retirement after 25 years as a foreign language teacher at Cape Elizabeth Middle School and Pond Cove Elementary School. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Janelle for her commitment to the youth of the State and wish her well in her future endeavors; (SLS 1193)

Andrea Cayer, of Falmouth, on the occasion of her retirement after 39 years of teaching at Cape Elizabeth High School. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Cayer for her commitment to the youth of the State and wish her well in her future endeavors; (SLS 1194)

Linda Paul, of Scarborough, on the occasion of her retirement after more than 22 years as an elementary school teacher and educational technician. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Paul for her commitment to the youth of the State and wish her well in her future endeavors; (SLS 1195)

The Waterville Senior High School Girls Track Team, on its winning the 2014 Class B Track and Field State Championship. The team placed first in the 100-meter hurdles, the 300-meter hurdles, the shot put and the pole vault. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the members of the team on this achievement; (SLS 1196)

Carsyn Koch, of Washburn, a student at Washburn District High School, who won the 2014 Class C Outdoor Track and Field State Championship in the high jump event. We congratulate Carsyn on this achievement; (SLS 1197)

Mitchell St. Peter, of Caribou, a student at Caribou High School, who placed second in the race walk event at the 2014 Class B Outdoor Track and Field State Championship. We congratulate Mitchell on this achievement; (SLS 1198)

Tori Koch, Tyra Shaw, Joan Overman and Carsyn Koch, of Washburn, students at Washburn District High School, who won the 2014 Class C Outdoor Track and Field State Championship in the 4 x 100-meter relay event. We congratulate these students on their achievement; (SLS 1199)

Jane Lane, of Kingfield, on the occasion of her retirement from Maine School Administrative District 58 after 37 years as a custodian and bus driver. We extend our appreciation to her for her commitment to the community and to the youth of Maine and congratulate her on her retirement; (SLS 1200)

Helen Pillsbury, of Strong, on the occasion of her retirement from Maine School Administrative District 58 after 34 years of being a custodian. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Pillsbury for her commitment to the community and to the youth of Maine and congratulate her on her retirement; (SLS 1201)

Sandy Schneipp, of Carabassett Valley, on the occasion of her retirement from Maine School Administrative District 58 after 29 years of serving in various capacities as an educator. We extend our appreciation to her for her commitment to education and to the youth of Maine and congratulate her on her retirement; (SLS 1202)

Scott Martin, of Strong, on the occasion of his retirement from Maine School Administrative District 58 after 39 years of teaching. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Martin for his commitment to education and to the youth of Maine and congratulate him on his retirement; (SLS 1203)

Mary Jane Martin, of Strong, on the occasion of her retirement from Maine School Administrative District 58 after 36 years of teaching. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Martin for her commitment to education and to the youth of Maine and congratulate her on her retirement; (SLS 1204)

L. Herbert York, of Farmington, who placed first in the 2013 National Corn Growers Yield Contest in the Non-Irrigated Class and the A No-Till/Strip-Till Non-Irrigated Class. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. York on this achievement; (SLS 1205)

The band Shepherd's Pie, of Farmington, which received the 2014 Salt and Light Award from the Farmington Area Ecumenical Ministry. Shepherd's Pie, consisting of members Tim Wallace, Patty Schoen, Chris Yardley, Jodie Gunther, Jon Abell and Kat Poulson, helped the Farmington Area Ecumenical Ministry in raising thousands of dollars for the area fuel assistance program. We extend our appreciation to Shepherd's Pie for helping to make lives better for Maine's citizens and congratulate the band on its receiving this award; (SLS 1206)

Farmington Police Officers Darin Gilbert, of Farmington, and Derrick Doucette, of Auburn, who saved the life of an unresponsive driver by performing cardiopulmonary resuscitation on the driver. We extend our appreciation to Officer Gilbert and Officer Doucette for their exemplary and heroic actions; (SLS 1207)

Kathleen McDonald, of Wilton, who is the recipient of the Wilson Grange No. 321 Community Service Award for her many years of managing the Wilton Food Pantry. We extend our appreciation to Ms. McDonald on her commitment to the citizens of the State and congratulate her on her receiving this award; (SLS 1208)

The men and women who volunteer their time at the Phillips Area Food Pantry who have had the Town Report dedicated to them: Volunteers Lorraine Berry, of Phillips; Betty and Robert Gould, of Madrid; Larry Pinkham, of Phillips; and Dorothy Savage, of Avon; directors Angel Huntoon, of Madrid; Glenis Jackson, of Avon; Evelyn Wilbur, of Phillips; and supervisor and secretary Lynn White, of Phillips. We send our appreciation to those volunteers, named and unnamed, who donate so much of their time to the Phillips Area Food Pantry; (SLS 1209)

The top ten students of the 2014 graduating class of Cony High School, in Augusta: Nicholas Cameron, Valedictorian; Alexis Dostie, Salutatorian; Miranda Faye Colfer; Faith Emery; Isaac Gingras; Josie Heath; Riley Hopkins; Rayna Knight; Sarah Smith; and Lauren Wheelock. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the students on their achievements; (SLS 1210)

The top ten students of the 2014 graduating class of Erskine Academy, in South China: Marissa White, Valedictorian; Cory Pedersen, Salutatorian; Alexis Wright; Emma Wilkinson; Meagan Sturgis; Moriah Cloutier; Taylor Bailey; Mikaylah Cloutier; Kala Freytag Wistar; and Richard Preston. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the students on their achievements; (SLS 1211)

Cantor Kurt Messerschmidt, of Portland, who is the recipient of the 2014 Maine Jewish Museum Lifetime Achievement Award. Cantor Messerschmidt, who is celebrating his 64th year of community service in Maine, has enriched Temple Beth El and his community and is admired and respected internationally for his musical talent and cantorial artistry. His willingness to share his experiences as a survivor of the Shoah has helped educate others about the Holocaust and has touched people in many ways. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Cantor Messerschmidt on his receiving this well-deserved honor; (SLS 1212)

Duane McCoy and Nathan McCoy, of Waterboro, who have been named Firefighters of the Year by the Firefighters



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Association of York County. We extend our appreciation to the McCoy's for their commitment to the citizens of the State and congratulate them on their receiving this honor; (SLS 1213)

The York High School Boys Track Team, on its winning the 2014 Western Maine Conference Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the members of the team on this achievement; (SLS 1214)

Katie Fleming, of York, who has received the Girl Scout Silver Award. This is the second highest award in Girl Scouting and is given for excellence in skills development, leadership, personal growth and community service. Katie's Girl Scout Silver Award project was "Bullying: How To Deal With It." We send our congratulations to Katie on this accomplishment; (SLS 1215)

The Orono High School Girls Track and Field Team, on its winning the 2014 Class C Track and Field State Championship. The team placed first in the 4 x 400-meter and 4 x 800-meter relays and the 100-meter and the 200-meter events. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the members of the team on this achievement; (SLS 1216)

Ian M. Smith, of Buxton, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 323, 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 service project, Ian restored the grounds of the Buxton Chicopee Fire Station, which included creating a garden with plantings and a bench, and restoring the memorial plaque and flagpole area. We extend our congratulations to him on this achievement; (SLS 1217)

David E. Boulter, of Brunswick, on the occasion of his retirement after 36 years of dedicated service to the State. Mr. Boulter began his career with the State in 1978 in the Department of Environmental Protection, first as an Environmental Specialist, then as the Director of Licensing and Enforcement. In 1989, he became Director of the Maine Land Use Regulation Commission and served with distinction. In 1994, he began his 20-year period of service in the Legislative Branch with his appointment as Director of the Office of Policy and Legal Analysis. He became Executive Director of the Legislative Council in 2001, serving the 120th through the 126th Legislatures. Mr. Boulter's significant accomplishments during his employment in State Government include his establishing a licensing program for and developing regulations for the evaluation of hazardous waste activities, developing various strategic planning, major policy and procedure improvements, implementing significant cost-saving initiatives, undertaking major State House facilities projects and making improvements in Capitol Park. We congratulate him on his retirement and acknowledge and extend our appreciation for his years of service and commitment to the people of Maine. We send him our best wishes regarding his future endeavors; (SLS 1218)

The Old York Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution on the occasion of its 100th Anniversary. This chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution was founded in 1914, and each member can trace her ancestry back to a progenitor who served in the Revolutionary War. Through the years, the members have participated in many projects, including providing many hours of volunteer time to veterans and current members of the Armed Forces. The group also awards scholarships and medals to outstanding high school seniors through the DAR Good Citizen Award Program and participates in projects that preserve America's cultural heritage. We send our congratulations to the Old York Chapter of the

Daughters of the American Revolution on its 100th anniversary and our best wishes; (SLS 1219)

Benjamin Gildersleeve, of South Berwick, who earned a Gold Medal on the National Latin Exam. The National Latin Exam is given to students enrolled in Latin to test them on grammar, comprehension, mythology and Roman history, culture and life. In 2014, more than 143,000 students in 49 states, 17 countries and the District of Columbia took the exam, and fewer than 9% earned a gold medal. Out of 1,002 students in Maine that took the exam, fewer than 6% earned a gold medal. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Benjamin on this achievement; (SLS 1220)

Riley Dinsmore-Patch, of South Berwick, who earned a Gold Medal on the National Latin Exam. The National Latin Exam is given to students enrolled in Latin to test them on grammar, comprehension, mythology and Roman history, culture and life. In 2014, more than 143,000 students in 49 states, 17 countries and the District of Columbia took the exam, and fewer than 9% earned a gold medal. Out of 1,002 students in Maine that took the exam, fewer than 6% earned a gold medal. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Riley on this achievement; (SLS 1221)

Reilly Nichols, of South Berwick, who earned a Gold Medal on the National Latin Exam. The National Latin Exam is given to students enrolled in Latin to test them on grammar, comprehension, mythology and Roman history, culture and life. In 2014, more than 143,000 students in 49 states, 17 countries and the District of Columbia took the exam, and fewer than 9% earned a gold medal. Out of 1,002 students in Maine that took the exam, fewer than 6% earned a gold medal. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Reilly on this achievement; (SLS 1222)

Paige Singer, of South Berwick, who received a perfect score on the National Latin Exam. The National Latin Exam is given to students enrolled in Latin to test them on grammar, comprehension, mythology and Roman history, culture and life. In 2014, more than 143,000 students in 49 states, 17 countries and the District of Columbia took the exam, and 2,280 received a perfect score. Out of 1,002 students in Maine that took the exam, 11 received a perfect score. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Paige on this achievement; (SLS 1223)

Emma MacDonald, of South Berwick, who earned a Silver Medal on the National Latin Exam. The National Latin Exam is given to students enrolled in Latin to test them on grammar, comprehension, mythology and Roman history, culture and life. In 2014, more than 143,000 students in 49 states, 17 countries and the District of Columbia took the exam, and fewer than 9.5% earned a silver medal. Out of 1,002 students in Maine that took the exam, fewer than 9% earned a silver medal. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Emma on this achievement; (SLS 1224)

The Caribou Middle School Baseball Team, on its winning the 2014 Aroostook County championship. We send our congratulations to the members of the team on their achievement; (SLS 1225)

The memory of the late Gail K. Whittier, of Union, to whom the 2014 Annual Town Report of the Town of Union was dedicated for her longtime dedication to her community. A lifelong citizen of the town, Mrs. Whittier was well-known throughout the area. She drove a school bus for 45 years and later became head of the transportation department for Maine School Administrative District No. 40. In addition to working full-

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time, Mrs. Whittier ran a dairy farm with her husband. We join with the Town of Union in recognizing Mrs. Whittier's contributions to the community; (SLS 1226)

Heather Nelson, of Rockland, who is the recipient of the Distinguished Alumni Award from Kennebec Valley Community College for her advocacy in the autism community. Ms. Nelson has worked tirelessly to help families in Maine by providing autism education, raising awareness of autism and supplying tools such as autism kits to local families and has worked alongside groups like the Autism Society of Maine to organize countless events and raise thousands of dollars. Ms. Nelson organized a Wandering Database with the Chief of the Rockland Police Department, which is designed to serve individuals in the Midcoast area with autism and Alzheimer's disease and other conditions that can make them prone to wander. We extend our appreciation to Ms. Nelson for her commitment to the citizens of the State and congratulate her on her receiving this award; (SLS 1227)

Jack Wyman, of South Freeport, who placed second at the 50th annual Paul Bunyan Amateur Golf Tournament. We extend our congratulations to him on his achievement; (SLS 1228)

Captain Leonard H. Dermott, of Hope. Captain Dermott was born in Lakeland, Florida and graduated with a bachelor of arts in fine arts from Principia College. He served during the Vietnam War in the United States Marine Corps as an artillery officer and later as a combat artist. He earned a Bronze Star Medal and a Navy Commendation Medal for his actions and was later assigned to work with NASA as its first artist from the Armed Forces. After his military career, Captain Dermott moved to Bar Harbor and opened a gallery. He will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving wife, Katy, his family and his friends; (SLS 1229) (memoriam)

The Thornton Academy Girls Outdoor Track Team, of Saco, on its winning the 2014 SMAA Southwestern League's Track and Field Championship. We extend our congratulations to the members of the team on this achievement; (SLS 1230)

The following students from Bangor High School's Debate Team who have qualified for the National Forensic League's National Speech and Debate Tournament in Overland Park, Kansas: Jan Thompkins, Malik Robinson, Sharon Audibert, Vanessa Graham, Elizabeth Robbins and Nick Danby. We extend our congratulations to the team members and wish them well at the tournament; (SLS 1231)

The Third Grade at Agnes L. Gray Elementary School, in West Paris, on its winning First Place in its category at the iMovie Film Festival at Oxford Hills Comprehensive High School. We congratulate the class on its achievement; (SLS 1232)

Dale and Judith Fairbanks, of Industry, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, June 19, 2014. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Fairbanks on this very special occasion; (SLS 1233)

Dorothy Lapham, of Augusta and Hallowell, on the celebration of her 100th birthday, June 16, 2014. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mrs. Lapham on this very special occasion; (SLS 1234)

The Honorable Harry W. Bailey, of Grand Lake Stream, former member of the House of Representatives. Mr. Bailey was born in Princeton and was a 1959 graduate of Princeton High School. He served in the United States Air Force, and after his service he worked for Pratt and Whitney Aircraft in Connecticut before starting a career in law enforcement in 1966 with the Maine State Police. Mr. Bailey earned the rank of sergeant in

1977 and received the Meritorious Service Award from the Maine State Police in 1978. While employed with the Maine State Police, he became the supervisor for an elite multistate federal Drug Enforcement Agency anti-drug smuggling task force. For his work with this unit, Mr. Bailey received the Sons of the American Revolution Law Enforcement Commendation and in 1985 he received the Outstanding Sergeant of the Year Award. In 2006 he received the Legendary Trooper Award from the Maine State Police, the highest honor for a retired trooper. Mr. Bailey and his unit were responsible for 600 successful prosecutions, the seizure of tons of illegal narcotics and \$3,000,000 in forfeitures. Following his retirement in 1986 from the Maine State Police, he started a private investigation business and later worked for Vescom, where he worked as the Northeast Region Manager and eventually was promoted to Vice President of Operations. Most recently, he was a private investigator for a law firm in Portland. Mr. Bailey served 3 terms in the House of Representatives, from 1991 to 1996. He was a member of Lewys Island Lodge #138 A.F. & A.M., the Anah Shriners in Bangor, the Princeton Rod & Gun Club, where he was past President, and the Maine Professional Guides Association. He was instrumental in the creation of the St. Croix Regional Family Health Center in Princeton, where he served as chairman of the board. Mr. Bailey will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving family, his friends and the many people whose lives he touched; (SLS 1235) (memoriam)

The following members of the Washington Academy Varsity Baseball Team on their winning the 2014 Class C State Championship: Jordan Drouin, Dustin Emery, Fred MacLean, Ethan Sawyer, Gage Feeney, Brandon Guerra, Patrick Massaad, Colin Pineo, Jared Taylor, Kyle Taylor, Ian Currier, Spencer Johnson, Cameron Varney, Damon Barker, Kade Feeney and Alex Renshaw; managers Charles Fabri and Chelsea Holmes; assistant coach Ryan Schoppee; and coach Derek Feeney. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the team on this achievement; (SLS 1236)

Carolyn Liziewski, of Gray, who has earned the distinction of being named the Valedictorian of the 2014 graduating class of Catherine McAuley High School in Portland. During her time at the school, Carolyn served on the student council and was a member of the Mock Trial and the varsity basketball teams. She was an intern for the Maine Senate Republican Caucus, a delegate to the United States Senate Youth Program and a United States Senate Page during her junior year. In addition, Carolyn was the recipient of both the Harvard Book Award and the Princeton Book Award, and was recognized as a National Merit Commended Scholar. We extend our congratulations to her on her achievements and send her our best wishes on her future endeavors; (SLS 1237)

Lorraine Goodness, of Sanford, on the occasion of her retirement after 29 years as a school crossing guard for the City of Sanford. We send her our appreciation for her many years of faithfully serving the community and send her our best wishes on her well-deserved retirement; (SLS 1238)

Shirley Pagel, of Lincoln, who has been honored as a Hometown Hero by the local Modern Woodmen of America members for her countless hours of service to her community. Ms. Pagel is a monthly volunteer at her local food cupboard, where she is also a member of the board of directors and a trustee. In addition, she is the manager of the food cupboard's thrift store. She is also active with WomenHeart.org as a WomenHeart Champion and Coordinator for the Lincoln Lakes

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and Katahdin Region, providing heart education to women. Ms. Pagel is also active in her church, the First Congregational Church in Lincoln, where she is a trustee, sings in the choir, serves on the hospitality committee, is the secretary for the Pilgrim Daughters, donates to the monthly bean supper and contributes to the River Drivers Supper. We send our appreciation to Ms. Pagel for her dedicated commitment to her community and congratulate her on her being named a Hometown Hero; (SLS 1239)

The Penobscot Valley High School Girls Tennis Team, of Howland, on its receiving the 2014 Eastern Maine Class C Good Sportsmanship Award from the Maine Principals' Association. We congratulate the members of the team on their receiving this honor; (SLS 1240)

Gail Wallace, of Enfield, who is the recipient of the 2014 Patricia Jameson Award for Hospice Volunteer Excellence from Hospice of Eastern Maine for her distinguished volunteer service. Ms. Wallace has been an active, dedicated patient care volunteer with Hospice of Eastern Maine since 2004, coserving Community Health and Counseling Services Hospice patients in the Howland and Lincoln area. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Wallace on her receiving this well-deserved honor; (SLS 1241)

Hidden Valley Nature Center, in Jefferson, on its receiving the 2014 North East Region Outstanding Tree Farmer of the Year Award from the American Tree Farm System. Cofounded by David Moskovitz and Bambi Jones, Hidden Valley Nature Center was also the recipient of the 2014 Outstanding Tree Farm Award from the Maine Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry. We extend our congratulations to Hidden Valley Nature Center on its receiving this well-deserved award; (SLS 1242)

The following members of the Massabesic High School Girls Lacrosse Team, who have won the 2014 Class A State Championship in a thrilling quintuple overtime game over Cheverus: Delia Sylvain, MacKenzie Kidder, Keilly Lynch, Jacqueline Guillemette, Maquila Dimastrantonio, Gabrielle Sawyer, Nicole Sproul, Margaret Redman, Deidre Lantagne, Karlie Pike, Mira Kuni, Josie Ring, Madison Russell, Sierra Arral, Emma Desrochers, Rayne Whitten, Colby Williams, Madeline Beauchesne, Alexis Foglio, Allison Irish, Megan Hill, Jolena Lampron, Ashley Rondeau, Samantha Strandburg, Katelyn Bourque and Taylor Manning; manager Catherine Guillerault; assistant coaches Katherine Fournier and Jason Tremblay; and head coach Brooks Bowen. We extend our congratulations to the team on this achievement; (SLS 1243)

Upward Bound, a program within the United States Department of Education, on the celebration of its 50th anniversary. Upward Bound began as part of President Lyndon B. Johnson's War on Poverty in 1964 as an experimental program to help low-income, first-generation students get a college education. Since 1964, more than 2 million students nationwide have participated in Upward Bound. Maine has Upward Bound programs at the University of Maine at Presque Isle, the University of Maine at Orono, the University of Maine at Farmington, the University of Southern Maine and Bowdoin College. We extend our congratulations to all who are or have been involved with Upward Bound on this special occasion and appreciate the program's success in assisting students in furthering their education; (SLS 1244)

Sherwood W. and Mary Elizabeth Anderson, of New Vineyard, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Anderson were married in Pennsylvania on June 27,

1964. We extend our congratulations to them on their Golden Anniversary; (SLS 1245)

Ted Carver, of Brunswick, on the occasion of his retirement as a school bus driver after 43 years of dedicated service. Mr. Carver has had the same West Brunswick route throughout his career. We join the citizens of Brunswick in sending him our appreciation for his many years of commitment to the youth of Brunswick and to the community; (SLS 1246)

Zachariah H. Meserve, of Hollis, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 323, 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 service project, Zachariah established a scenic hiking trail on town property in Hollis. The project included his marking trails and building benches and a picnic table. We extend our congratulations to him on this achievement; (SLS 1247)

Don Winslow, of Bangor, former Chief of the Bangor Police Department. Mr. Winslow attended Old Town High School and began his public service career as a junior firefighter for the Old Town Fire Department, a job he started while still attending high school. He became a full-time firefighter in 1976. In 1979, Mr. Winslow joined the Bangor Police Department. He worked his way up through the ranks and became Chief in 1998, a position he held for 8 years until he retired in 2007. Mr. Winslow served as the police department's first community relations officer in 1987, establishing positive interactions with city residents and area children. He taught Drug Awareness Resistance Education classes and helped organize neighborhood watch programs. Mr. Winslow will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving family, his many friends and the community he served so well; (SLS 1248) (memoriam)

Anthony Joseph Begenwald III, of Winthrop, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 604, 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 service project, A.J. constructed a garden and a new flagpole at Camp Mechuwana in Winthrop. We extend our congratulations to him on this achievement; (SLS 1249)

Kimberly Godsoe, of Hartland, Town Manager of the Town of Corinna. Ms. Godsoe was a graduate of Dexter High School and attended Beal College. She worked as an administrative assistant in St. Albans and was employed in the Hartland town office before becoming Town Manager of Corinna in 2011. She will be greatly missed and long remembered by her loving family, her friends and the communities she served so well; (SLS 1250) (memoriam)

John Noble, of Caribou, upon his receiving the Veterans of Foreign Wars Legacy Award for his dedicated service to veterans in his State and Nation. We send our appreciation to Mr. Noble for his service during the Korean War and his decades of commitment supporting veterans' causes. Mr. Noble and his wife Joyce were instrumental in the establishment of a veterans cemetery in Aroostook County by donating land for that purpose. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Noble for his receiving this well-deserved honor; (SLS 1251)

The Capitol City Rifle & Pistol Club, of Augusta, on the occasion of its 50th Anniversary. In addition, the Capitol City Junior Rifle Club, one of the best in the country, is celebrating its 40th Anniversary. We extend our congratulations to the clubs on

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their anniversaries and send them our best wishes for continued success; (SLS 1252)

Kenneth V. Barden, of Augusta, on the occasion of his 100th Birthday, September 12, 2014. Mr. Barden was a longtime resident of Augusta and owned and operated Barden's Shop Rite, with locations in Augusta and Gardiner. He now resides in Winthrop. We send him our congratulations and best wishes on the centennial celebration of his life; (SLS 1253)

Louise N. Lake, of Wilton, on her 80th Birthday, July 14, 2014. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on this occasion; (SLS 1254)

Kelton Cullenberg, of Chesterville, who was named the inaugural America East Man of the Year. The award recognizes the male senior student-athlete who best exemplifies a commitment to service, leadership, athletics and academics during his collegiate career. Mr. Cullenberg has captained 3 University of Maine sports teams and has been named the America East Athlete of the Week multiple times during his career. He has been selected to All-Conference teams in cross-country and indoor and outdoor track and field. We extend our congratulations to him on his achievements and send him our best wishes on his future endeavors; (SLS 1255)

Zac Conlogue, of Farmington, who coaches tennis at Mt. Blue High School, on his being named the 2014 Kennebec Valley Athletic Conference Boys Class A Tennis Coach of the Year. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Conlogue on his receiving this honor; (SLS 1256)

Vicki L. Hardy, of Farmington, on the occasion of her retirement as the Clerk of the Franklin County Superior Court, after nearly 38 years with the judicial system in Maine. We send her our appreciation for her dedicated service to the law and to the State, and we congratulate her on her retirement; (SLS 1257)

Fred O. Smith, of Farmington, on the occasion of his 80th Birthday, July 17, 2014. We send Mr. Smith our congratulations and best wishes; (SLS 1258)

Bigelow Laboratory for Ocean Sciences, of East Boothbay, on the occasion of its 40th anniversary. Bigelow Laboratory began on July 1, 1974, when the 43-foot boat named [I]Bigelow[/I] landed at the West Boothbay Harbor dock, laden down with oceanographic sampling equipment. The laboratory was established by Drs. Charles and Clarice Yentsch as a private, nonprofit research institution named for the oceanographer Henry Bryant Bigelow. The laboratory's research ranges from microbial oceanography to the dynamics of the worldwide ocean. The laboratory's education activities include high school, undergraduate and professional training programs; postdoctoral training and mentoring; public events and programs based on the international Cafe Scientifique model; and online resources for teachers and students. We extend our congratulations to Bigelow Laboratory on this very special occasion and wish the laboratory continued success; (SLS 1259)

The Town of Boothbay, on the occasion of the 250th Anniversary of its incorporation. The town, which lies between the Damariscotta River and the Sheepscot River, received the name it now bears in memory of Old Boothby of Lincolnshire, England, at Welton le Marsh. We send our congratulations and best wishes to the good citizens of Boothbay as they celebrate this 250th Anniversary; (SLS 1260)

The 400th anniversary of the landing of Captain John Smith on Monhegan Island in April 1614. Although Native Americans had long visited the island and there had been earlier European visits, Smith's visit marked the start of European trade and fishing

there. Captain Smith also founded the first European settlement on Monhegan, which was one of the first European settlements in New England. The island served as his base while he made the first modern map of the New England coast. Samoset, a member of the Abenaki tribe in Maine, who is credited by many with making the later settlement at Plymouth by the Pilgrims successful, learned to speak English from the settlers at Monhegan. We join with the citizens of Monhegan in celebrating this event; (SLS 1261)

Barbara Steele, of Blue Hill, upon the celebration of her 100th birthday, June 28, 2014. Mrs. Steele was born in Bennington, Vermont and received degrees from Middlebury College and Columbia University. As a librarian and genealogy researcher, she worked in corporate libraries and at the Daughters of the American Revolution Library in Washington, D.C., and she raised 2 sons, Peter and Jeffrey Steele. She began summering in Surry in 1949 and eventually became one of the first residents of Parker Ridge in Blue Hill. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on the centennial celebration of her life; (SLS 1262)

Emily Boucher, of Madawaska, who was named the 2014 Miss Teen Aroostook at the Miss Northern Maine Pageant. We send her our congratulations and best wishes; (SLS 1263)

Brooke Estey, of Mapleton, who was named the 2014 Miss Mini Aroostook at the Miss Northern Maine Pageant. We send her our congratulations and best wishes; (SLS 1264)

Claire Ouellette, of Caribou, who was named the 2014 Miss Petite Northern Maine at the Miss Northern Maine Pageant. We send her our congratulations and best wishes; (SLS 1265)

Kevin McCartney, of Caribou, who is the recipient of a Paul Harris Fellow award from the Presque Isle Rotary Club for his many contributions to the club and the community. This is one of the most prestigious awards given by the Rotary. Mr. McCartney is the founder and director of the Northern Maine Museum of Science, the creator of the Maine Solar System Model and a cofounder of Planet Head Day. He has been involved in the Northern Maine Agricultural Fair and served as the president of the board for 2 years. He also helped establish the art auction held in conjunction with the club's annual radio and television auction. We send him our appreciation for his contributions to the Rotary Club and to his community; (SLS 1266)

The Caribou High School Baseball Team on its winning the 2014 Eastern Class B Championship. We extend our congratulations to the members of the team on this achievement; (SLS 1267)

Diane DuBois, of Caribou, Director of the Caribou Public Library, on the occasion of her retirement after 24 years of service to the community. We congratulate her on her retirement and send her our best wishes on her future endeavors; (SLS 1268)

Ann King, of Caribou, who was named Caregiver of the Year by Cary Medical Center. Ms. King is a Registered Nurse, a certified inspection control nurse and a critical care emergency medicine transport paramedic. She was also nominated for the Maine Hospital Association's annual statewide Caregiver of the Year Award. She was recognized for her passion for her work and going above and beyond the call of duty. We extend our congratulations to Ms. King on her receiving this honor; (SLS 1269)

John Wallace, of Limestone, who was honored by Cary Medical Center for his more than 30 years of advocacy for veterans. Mr. Wallace has traveled over a million miles attending

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meetings for veterans throughout the country. He is a veteran of the Vietnam War and helped establish the Vietnam Veterans of America in Maine. We send Mr. Wallace our appreciation for his dedicated service to the veterans of Maine and the Nation; (SLS 1270)

Connor Smith, of York, a student at York High School, who was selected as the Grand Prize Winner at the 37th Maine Student Film and Video Festival. We extend our congratulations to Connor on his receiving this honor and send him our best wishes for his future success; (SLS 1271)

Robert Stevens, of York, principal of York High School, on the occasion of his retirement after 37 years of serving the York community. Mr. Stevens began his career in education teaching history, math and building construction in Pittsfield, New Hampshire. When he was 26, he became the assistant and acting principal in Pittsfield for grades one through 12, and the following year he was principal for the same grades in Weare, New Hampshire, a position he held for 4 years until he became principal at York High School in 1978. We send Mr. Stevens our appreciation for his commitment to his profession and to the youth of Maine. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on his well-deserved retirement; (SLS 1272)

Visiting Nurses of Aroostook on the occasion of its 45th Anniversary. Visiting Nurses of Aroostook offers high-quality home health and hospice services in Aroostook County. The agency was established in 1969 as the Aroostook Home Care Agency, Inc., but in 1989 the name was changed to better reflect the services the agency provides. We send our appreciation and best wishes to Visiting Nurses of Aroostook on this anniversary; (SLS 1273)

Betty Buzzell, of Caribou, who is a recipient of a "TNT" Client Development Award from the Fortune 500 investment firm Edward Jones. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Buzzell on her receiving this award; (SLS 1274)

Thomas Capobianco, of Frye Island, for his dedicated service to his community. Mr. Capobianco, who is 85 years of age and is a veteran of the United States Army, has worked tirelessly in the construction and maintenance of the town ball field and currently works there every day, lending a hand wherever it is needed. On August 2, 2014, the Town of Frye Island officially renamed the ball field Cappy Park after Mr. Capobianco, in honor of his commitment and volunteer service to the town. We congratulate Mr. Capobianco on his receiving this honor, and thank him for his service to his community; (SLS 1275)

The completion of the Casco Bay Lines Terminal renovation project. The terminal was built in 1988 on property owned by the City of Portland along the western edge of the Maine State Pier and serves nearly one million people, which is more than double the number the terminal was designed to serve. We join the citizens of the Casco Bay region in celebrating the completion of the renovations to the Casco Bay Lines Terminal and send our best wishes for continued excellent service to the islands of the bay; (SLS 1276)

Josh O'Brien, of York, the director of the Oxford Street Shelter in Portland, on his dedicated service to the people of Portland and of the State. Mr. O'Brien has been director of Portland's largest homeless shelter for the past decade and is leaving his position as director to become shelter director for the Pine Street Inn in Boston, the largest provider of services to the homeless in New England. In 2012, he received the Robert B. Ganley Public Service Award from the City of Portland. He is

known for his ability to see the humanity of those he serves. We extend our appreciation to Mr. O'Brien for his dedication to service and we send him our best wishes for continued success; (SLS 1277)

Brooks Bowen, of Limington, who was named Coach of the Year by the [I]Portland Press Herald/Maine Sunday Telegram[/I]. Mr. Bowen coaches the Massabesic High School Girls Lacrosse Team. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Bowen on his receiving this honor and send him our best wishes; (SLS 1278)

Denise McNamara, of Yarmouth, who teaches 4th grade at the Helena H. Dyer Elementary School in South Portland, on the occasion of her retirement after 35 years of service. We send our appreciation to Ms. McNamara for her dedication to education and to the youth of Maine and send her our best wishes on her retirement; (SLS 1279)

Colleen O'Donnell, of Waterville, a senior at Waterville Senior High School, who has been named the [I]Morning Sentinel[/I] Girls Tennis Player of the Year. Colleen has been one of the top tennis players in the State since her freshman year, and this season was her best. She reached the semifinals of the State singles tournament and led Waterville to the Class B final. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Colleen on her achievement; (SLS 1280)

Zach Disch, of Waterville, a senior at Waterville Senior High School, who has been named the [I]Morning Sentinel[/I] Boys Tennis Player of the Year. Zach is the top player on the Waterville Senior High School boys tennis team and was undefeated for the Purple Panthers. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Zach on his achievement; (SLS 1281)

The members of the Cape Elizabeth High School Boys Lacrosse Team, the Capers, on their winning the 2014 Class B State Championship. This was the Capers' second consecutive title, their 9th championship since the sport became a Maine Principals Association-sanctioned sport in 1998, and their 18th championship in school history. We extend our congratulations to the team on this achievement; (SLS 1282)

Joyce Thompson, of South Portland, who teaches kindergarten at Small Elementary School in South Portland, on the occasion of her retirement after 33 years of service. We send our appreciation to Ms. Thompson on her dedication to education and to the youth of Maine and send her our best wishes on her retirement; (SLS 1283)

Janice Jacobson, of Portland, who teaches Art at Memorial Middle School in South Portland, on the occasion of her retirement after 24 years. We send our appreciation to Ms. Jacobson on her dedication to education and to the youth of Maine and send her our best wishes on her retirement; (SLS 1284)

The following members of the Gorham Cal Ripken 9-and-under all-star baseball team, who won the 2014 Maine State Championship: Cole Whitehead, Jack Reidy, Noah Flynn, Cooper Whitehead, Colin Albert, Malachi Scribner, Kaden Shaw, Caden Smith, Jasper Crane, Asa Farley, Killian Kolb, Tyler Matheson and Quinn Dillon. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the members of the team; (SLS 1285)

Ronald Shepard, of Gorham, who is retiring as Police Chief of the Gorham Police Department after 42 years of service. Police Chief Shepard joined the police department in 1972 and was appointed chief on September 27, 1995. We extend to him our appreciation for his service and our best wishes; (SLS 1286)

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Lieutenant Colonel Eric Samuelson, of Gorham, who is retiring from the Air National Guard after 24 years of service in the guard and the United States Air Force. Lieutenant Colonel Samuelson was commissioned an officer in 1990 and served 10 years of active duty. He is also senior pastor at The Rock Church, which he has been leading for the past 9 years. We extend our appreciation to Lieutenant Colonel Samuelson for his service and offer him our best wishes; (SLS 1287)

The members of the Ararat Cal Ripken U10 Baseball Team, of Brunswick, who won the District 4 Tournament: Kobe Clark, Cole Alexander, Austin Berry, Ty Henke, Ben Millson, Tucker Swanson, Casey D'Orio, Jason Kearney, Damien Weed, Carson Taylor, Cody Bowker and Ryan Robertson and manager Bubba Henke, coach Mark Bowker and coach Wade Robertson. The win qualifies the team to play in the Cal Ripken State Tournament. We extend our congratulations to the team on their accomplishment and send them our best wishes; (SLS 1288)

Bowdoin College, of Brunswick, on its receiving the [I]Institutional Investor's[/I] Endowment of the Year Award, presented by [I]Institutional Investor[/I] magazine. We extend our congratulations to Bowdoin College on its receiving this award; (SLS 1289)

Sienna Mazone, of Dresden, on her winning the 2014 Healthy Lunchtime Challenge Maine competition. Sienna is one of 54 national winners, representing each of the 50 states, 3 territories and the District of Columbia, who will attend a Kids State Dinner at the White House with First Lady Michelle Obama. The Healthy Lunchtime Challenge was established to promote healthy eating among America's youth and had more than 1,500 entries this year. We extend our congratulations to Sienna on her winning this competition with her "Mexican Haystack" recipe, a recipe that met the requirements of being "healthy, affordable, original and delicious." We send her our best wishes; (SLS 1290)

Hannah Stoutamy, of Mapleton, on the occasion of her being crowned Maine Potato Queen 2014. We extend our congratulations to Hannah on her receiving this honor and send her our best wishes; (SLS 1291)

Chloe Sleeper, of Caribou, on the occasion of her being crowned Pre-Teen Miss Maine Potato Queen 2014. We extend our congratulations to Chloe on her receiving this honor and send her our best wishes; (SLS 1292)

Rossalyn Buck, of Mapleton, on the occasion of her being crowned Little Miss Maine Potato Queen 2014. We extend our congratulations to Rossalyn on her receiving this honor and send her our best wishes; (SLS 1293)

The members of the Northstars Little League Team, of Caribou, who won the Caribou Little League Championship. We extend our congratulations to the team members on their achievement and send them our best wishes; (SLS 1294)

The Penobscot Job Corps Center, which on August 22, 2014 is joining 125 other campuses across the nation to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of Job Corps. The program's unique residential setting allows young adults to be provided not only with high school diplomas and industry-recognized credentials, but also with the social skills and proficiency necessary to ease their transition into the workforce. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the Job Corps students going on to pursue careers in their chosen fields of study, we send the Jobs Corps our best wishes for another 50 years of success and we send our appreciation to the Penobscot Job Corps Center for its commitment to the community; (SLS 1295)

The following innovative students at Hermon Middle School, who attended the Maine Invention Convention state competition, which included more than 100 students from 15 middle schools and the homeschooling community. Nathan Raymond, 8th grader, placed first overall in the competition. Neily Raymond placed first in the 6th grade division, Rachael Balmas placed second in the 6th grade division, Evan Staples placed third in the 6th grade division and Andrew Howes placed third in the 8th grade division. The students developed their projects, step by step, from the beginning of the year, with supervision from science teachers Amanda Lovejoy and Jim Fratini. We extend our congratulations to the students on their achievements and send them our best wishes; (SLS 1296)

John Glass, of Old Orchard Beach, on the occasion of his retirement as Fire Chief from the Old Orchard Beach Fire Department. Mr. Glass has worked as a firefighter and emergency medical technician for 37 years, 18 of those years being with the Old Orchard Beach Fire Department. During his tenure as Fire Chief, Mr. Glass directed the department's involvement with many department and community events and programs, including the Memorial Day parade, Season by the Sea activities, the annual Chamber of Commerce/Fire Department Car Show, Christopher Cash races, Revolution 3 activities, MIA Recognition weekend and the annual Fire Department Halloween Party. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Glass for his commitment to the citizens of the State and wish him well in his future endeavors; (SLS 1297)

The Thornton Academy Girls Outdoor Track Team, of Saco, on its winning the 2014 Class A Track and Field Championship. We extend our congratulations to the members of the team on this achievement; (SLS 1298)

The Saco Drive-In on the occasion of its 75th Anniversary. The drive-in, the first one in Maine, first opened in 1939 and has remained a place for families, teenagers and movie lovers alike to enjoy a unique outdoor viewing experience. It has undergone changes through the years and was recently updated with a digital projector. We extend our congratulations to everyone involved with the Saco Drive-In and send our best wishes for its future success; (SLS 1299)

Peter Paul Dube, Jr., 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. For his service project, Peter constructed a shelter used by the Knights of Columbus to sell Christmas trees. We extend our congratulations to Peter on this achievement; (SLS 1300)

Rangeley Lake Cruise, in Rangeley, which has received a Best of Maine Readers' Choice award from [I]Down East[/I] magazine. Rangeley Lake Cruise was voted Best Boat Cruise in the State. We extend our congratulations to Rangeley Lake Cruise on its receiving this award; (SLS 1301)

The sister Lions Clubs of Stratton-Eustis, Maine and Lac-Megantic, Quebec, Canada, as they celebrate their 60th Anniversary. The Stratton-Eustis Lions Club and the Lac-Megantic Lions Club were both sponsored in 1954 by the Rangeley Lions Club. Lions Clubs International is the world's largest service club organization, offering help where help is needed. We send our congratulations to the members of these clubs on this anniversary and send our best wishes for continued success; (SLS 1302)

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Richard and Judy Bjorn, of Farmington, who are the recipients of the 2014 Farmington Gem Award presented by the Farmington Downtown Association. The couple was presented the award for their many acts of kindness and support for Farmington. No other couple in Farmington's history has been as significant a benefactor of the town. We extend to them our best wishes and our congratulations on their receiving this award; (SLS 1303)

Janet Kandoian, of Portland, who teaches 4th grade at Brown Elementary School in South Portland, on the occasion of her retirement after 43 years of service. We send our appreciation to Ms. Kandoian on her dedication to education and to the youth of Maine and send her our best wishes on her retirement; (SLS 1304)

Denise Harriman, of Stockton Springs, who has been named EMT of the Year by the American Legion, Department of Maine. Ms. Harriman has volunteered with the Stockton Springs Ambulance Service since 1991. She also works as a medical assistant at Stockton Springs Regional Health Center. We extend to Ms. Harriman our congratulations on her receiving this honor, and we offer her our best wishes; (SLS 1305)

Devon O'Connor and Elias Younes, of Augusta, on the occasion of their saving the life of their friend, Kyle Armstrong, who suffered a seizure while swimming in a pool. Devon and Elias retrieved Kyle from underwater and got him out of the pool and called for emergency assistance. We congratulate Devon and Elias on their acts of heroism and send them our best wishes; (SLS 1306)

John Casey, of Cape Elizabeth, who is retiring after a 33-year teaching career at Cape Elizabeth Middle School. Mr. Casey served 21 years as a teacher and 12 years as assistant principal, and he coached the high school baseball and basketball teams for a number of years. We extend to Mr. Casey our appreciation for his service and offer him our best wishes; (SLS 1307)

Jennifer Sherwood, of Topsham, who has been selected as the 2014 State Star by the Maine Small Business Development Centers. This annual award recognizes the exemplary performance and the strong commitment to small business success of a Maine Small Business Development Centers staff member. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Sherwood on her receiving this recognition and offer her our best wishes; (SLS 1308)

Linda Dion, of Wells, on the occasion of her retirement after serving 30 years as a York Police Department Dispatcher. Ms. Dion started public service 40 years ago in 1974 as a dispatcher in Ogunquit for police, fire and ambulances. We send her our appreciation for her long service to law enforcement and public safety and we congratulate her on her well-deserved retirement; (SLS 1309)

Theresa M. Lahey, of Litchfield, on the occasion of her retirement after almost 33 years of dedicated service to the Maine State Legislature. Theresa began her career with the Legislature's Office of Legislative Research in 1981 as a Legislative Research Technician. In 1986, that office reverted to its original name, the Office of the Revisor of Statutes, and in 1987 Theresa became a Senior Legislative Technician. Through the years, Theresa's high-quality work has been relied upon by everyone in the office, and her assembling of [L]aws of the State of Maine [I] has been of service not only to the Legislature but to the larger legal community as well. She has earned the respect and appreciation of all of her colleagues and has earned our

sincerest gratitude for her longtime commitment to the Legislature and the State of Maine. We send Theresa our congratulations on her well-deserved retirement and our best wishes; (SLS 1310)

Thurley Briggs, of Caribou, who has received the Allagash Award from the Natural Resources Council of Maine. The Allagash Award has recently been created by the Natural Resources Council of Maine to recognize annually those individuals and groups that have been members of the council for 20 years or more and that have demonstrated an extraordinary commitment to protecting Maine's environment. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Briggs and offer her our best wishes; (SLS 1311)

Kathryn Olmstead, of Caribou, who has received the Allagash Award from the Natural Resources Council of Maine. The Allagash Award has recently been created by the Natural Resources Council of Maine to recognize annually those individuals and groups that have been members of the council for 20 years or more and that have demonstrated an extraordinary commitment to protecting Maine's environment. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Olmstead and offer her our best wishes; (SLS 1312)

Ashley Littlefield, of Belfast, who was named the 2013-14 Schoolgirl Athlete of the Year by Courier Publications. Ashley is a 2014 graduate of Belfast Area High School who played 4 sports. She earned second-team all-conference honors in soccer and softball, was the girls basketball team's best all-around player and was the football team's placekicker, making 20 out of 25 extra-point attempts. We congratulate Ashley on her being named the 2013-14 Schoolgirl Athlete of the Year and send her our best wishes on her future endeavors; (SLS 1313)

Barry and Jane Thorndike, of Avon, formerly of Phillips, who were honored at the Phillips Old Home Days for their contributions to the community. Mr. and Mrs. Thorndike were both born and raised in the Phillips/Avon area. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to them on their receiving this honor; (SLS 1314)

Leo Pepin, of Stratton, who has been posthumously inducted into the Rangeley Lakes Region Logging Museum's Logger's Hall of Fame. The Logger's Hall of Fame honors people who have worked in the woods for a significant part of their lives and who have made valuable contributions to lumbering in the western Maine mountains. Mr. Pepin passed away in 2012, but his wife, Lucille, accepted a plaque commemorating his induction during the 34th Annual Logging Festival's Evening Program on July 25th. Mr. Pepin was born in Notre-Dame-De-Bois, Quebec and began working in the woods as a young man. After moving to Maine, he worked for the Brown Company, and then he worked for Adrian and Andrew Brochu as a foreman for many years. We congratulate Mr. Pepin's family on his induction into the Logger's Hall of Fame, and we offer them our best wishes; (SLS 1315)

Luc Morin, of Weld, who has been inducted into the Rangeley Lakes Region Logging Museum's Logger's Hall of Fame. The Logger's Hall of Fame honors people who have worked in the woods for a significant part of their lives and who have made valuable contributions to lumbering in the western Maine mountains. Mr. Morin was inducted on July 25th during the 34th Annual Logging Festival's Evening Program. He was born in 1925 in Saint-Martin, Quebec and began working in the woods at 16 years of age. He came to western Maine in 1948 and has logged there ever since. We congratulate Mr. Morin on his induction into the Logger's Hall of Fame, and we offer him our best wishes; (SLS 1316)

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Paul "Bucky" Sproul, of Farmington, a longtime teacher, coach, referee and umpire. Mr. Sproul was born in Augusta and served in the United States Air Force before earning his bachelor's degree at Farmington State Teachers College. He was an elementary school teacher for 25 years, working in Jay, Wilton and Farmington. After he retired from teaching, he worked for many years as a custodian for the Mt. Blue Regional School District. Mr. Sproul was best known, however, as a coach, referee and umpire. He coached a championship youth basketball team during his service in Germany, and he began refereeing basketball in 1956 and became a well-known fixture in the community for this service. In 2006 the International Association of Approved Basketball Officials honored him for his 50 years of service as a basketball referee. In 1994 he was selected as head linesman for the Maine Shrine Lobster Bowl Classic. Mr. Sproul will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving family and his friends; (SLS 1317) (memoriam)

The First Congregational Church of Farmington on the occasion of the 200th anniversary of its founding as it celebrates with a day of music and fellowship. The First Congregational Society organized in Farmington on December 14, 1814 with 12 members. In 1892, after a fire destroyed the old meeting house and much of the rest of the town and the current church building was built, the congregation incorporated the First Congregational Church, which became known as "the Old South Church." We congratulate the Old South Church on this anniversary, and we send the congregation our best wishes; (SLS 1318)

Peter Nielson, of Oakland, on the occasion of his retirement as the Town Manager of Oakland, where he served for 5 years. Mr. Nielson's 24-year career as town manager also included service in the communities of Wilton, Wayne and Clinton. Mr. Nielson plans to return to his hometown of Winthrop to be a school bus driver, a position he held in the 1980s. We send our appreciation and best wishes to Mr. Nielson on his service to his communities; (SLS 1319)

The Honorable William R. Stokes, of Augusta, on his stepping down as Deputy Attorney General and Mayor of the City of Augusta to become a Justice of the Maine Superior Court. Mr. Stokes, a graduate of Suffolk University Law School, served nearly 37 years at the Office of the Maine Attorney General with dedication and distinction, having started in that office in 1977 as an assistant attorney general. Through the years, he worked in the Civil Litigation Division, the Opinions and General Government Division and the Criminal Division. Mr. Stokes became Deputy Attorney General in the Criminal Division in 2001. He also served stints as an Assistant United States Attorney and as an associate in the law practice of Lipman and Katz. Mr. Stokes has been very active in professional and community organizations and is presently on the Grievance Commission of the Board of Bar Overseers. He served on the Augusta School Board and on the Augusta City Council and, since 2011, as Mayor of the City of Augusta. We send Mr. Stokes our appreciation for his commitment to the people of the State of Maine, and we extend to him our best wishes as he continues to serve the State in his new role as a Superior Court Justice; (SLS 1320)

Mildred Rennie, of Springvale, on the occasion of her 106th birthday, December 1, 2014. She was born in Slatersville, Rhode Island in 1908. She married Elwood Rennie in 1936. She has 5 children, 17 grandchildren, 47 great-grandchildren and 4 great-great-grandchildren. We send Mrs. Rennie our congratulations and best wishes on her birthday; (SLS 1321)

Dr. Michael Pinette, of Cape Elizabeth, on the occasion of the March of Dimes Signature Chefs Auction, which is being held in his honor. The March of Dimes is dedicated to improving the health of infants by preventing birth defects, premature birth and infant mortality. Dr. Pinette is Medical Director of Maternal-Fetal Medicine at Maine Medical Center. His work has contributed to the State's low preterm and perinatal infant mortality rates. In 2012 Maine was one of only 2 states in the Nation to receive an A grade for these rates on the March of Dimes Premature Birth Report Card, a distinction largely due to the Maternal-Fetal Medicine team that Dr. Pinette leads. We thank Dr. Pinette for his dedication to the people of the State and offer him our best wishes; (SLS 1322)

Jim Gailey, City Manager of South Portland, who was selected as the 2014 Linc Stackpole Manager of the Year by the Maine Town, City and County Management Association. This award is given to a town manager who has contributed to the public management field in an outstanding fashion and is named for the late Lincoln Stackpole, former Town Manager of Machias. Mr. Gailey has worked for South Portland since he was a teenager, starting in the Parks Department. He also worked in the city's Public Works, Finance, and Planning and Development departments before becoming Assistant City Manager; he became City Manager in 2007. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. Gailey on his receiving this well-deserved honor; (SLS 1323)

Alan Lindquist, of Houlton, who has received the Cameron Duncan Award from EqualityMaine. The Cameron Duncan Award recognizes extraordinary accomplishment, commitment and service within the HIV/AIDS community. We thank Mr. Lindquist for his service to the citizens of the State and congratulate him on his being recognized; (SLS 1324)

Alberta Gilbert, of Caribou, who celebrated her 103rd Birthday on September 2, 2014. We send Ms. Gilbert our congratulations and offer her our best wishes; (SLS 1325)

Darrin Moody, of Stockton Springs, who has been named Law Enforcement Officer of the Year by the American Legion. Deputy Moody serves with the Waldo County Sheriff's Office and the Searsport and Stockton Springs police departments. We extend to Deputy Moody our congratulations on his receiving this honor and offer him our best wishes; (SLS 1326)

George Dunn, of Otis, who has been selected as a 2014 recipient of the Federal Aviation Administration's Wright Brothers Master Pilot Award. This award recognizes pilots who have demonstrated professionalism, skill and aviation expertise by maintaining safe operations for 50 or more years, and it is the top honor for a general aviation pilot. Mr. Dunn has been flying for 62 years. His wife, Donna, was also selected as a recipient of the Federal Aviation Administration's Wright Brothers Master Pilot Spouse Pin. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Dunn on his receiving this award; (SLS 1327)

The Eliot Firefighters Association, on the occasion of the 100th Anniversary of the establishment of the Eliot Fire Department. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the members, past and present, on their commitment to firefighting and to their community; (SLS 1328)

Ruth Farnsworth, of Wells, who is retiring after 33 years with the Wells Police Department. Lieutenant Farnsworth graduated in 1981 from the University of Lowell with a degree in public administration, law and justice. She started police work as a summer reserve officer and worked her way up through the ranks from patrol officer to lieutenant. During her career, she worked



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difficult juvenile abuse and sex abuse cases, taught the national drug awareness program and managed the summer reserve program in which she herself started police work. We thank Lieutenant Farnsworth for her service to the citizens of Wells and the State and offer her our congratulations on her well-deserved retirement; (SLS 1329)

Kelton Cullenberg, of Chesterville, who has been named the 2013-14 America East Male Scholar-Athlete of the Year by the America East Conference. Mr. Cullenberg, a cross country and track and field athlete, was chosen by a committee of athletic administrators and National Collegiate Athletic Association faculty athletics representatives from a select group of 19 student-athletes representing championship sports. He is one of only 2 Maine student-athletes ever to win this prestigious honor. Mr. Cullenberg was also named the conference's first-ever Man of the Year for his outstanding academic achievement, athletic excellence, service and leadership. We extend to Mr. Cullenberg our congratulations on his receiving these well-deserved honors; (SLS 1330)

HealthQuest Chiropractic, in Farmington, which has received the Work Healthy Gold Award from the Healthy Community Coalition of Greater Franklin County for its outstanding efforts in promoting good health for its employees; (SLS 1331)

The University of Maine Farmington, which has received the Work Healthy Gold Award from the Healthy Community Coalition of Greater Franklin County for its outstanding efforts in promoting good health for its employees; (SLS 1332)

Life Enrichment Advancing People, or LEAP, in Farmington, which has received the Work Healthy Gold Award from the Healthy Community Coalition of Greater Franklin County for its outstanding efforts in promoting good health for its employees; (SLS 1333)

Care and Comfort of Wilton, which has received the Work Healthy Bronze Award from the Healthy Community Coalition of Greater Franklin County for its outstanding efforts in promoting good health for its employees; (SLS 1334)

Stuart "Toby" Pennells, of Casco, United States Army veteran and prominent citizen. Mr. Pennells was born in Chicago, Illinois in 1959. He graduated from Windham High School in 1977 and the University of Massachusetts in 1981, where he met Brenda Mierzejewski, whom he married in 1983. He was a commissioned officer in the United States Army, retiring as a Colonel in 2011 after 30 years of active and reserve service. Mr. Pennells was a highly decorated Army Ranger whose awards included the Legion of Merit, 2 Bronze Stars and a Combat Action Badge. He served on the Windham School Committee for 12 years, was a member and past president of the Sebago Lakes Rotary Club, was president of the Windham Veterans Association and was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the American Legion. At the time of his death, Mr. Pennells was running for election to the Maine State Senate. He will be long remembered and sadly missed by his wife, Brenda, his family and all those whose lives he touched; (SLS 1335) (memoriam)

The University of Maine at Fort Kent, which has been selected as a national College of Distinction for the 2014-15 academic year, one of only 200 in the country. The university was selected for its engaged students, great teaching, vibrant campus community and successful outcomes; (SLS 1336)

The Friends of the Eastern Promenade, on the occasion of the Bicentennial Celebration of Fort Allen in Portland. In April 2011, the Friends of the Eastern Promenade, a nonprofit group, approached the City of Portland with a restoration plan for the

Fort Allen Park landscape, and the group and the city formed a unique collaborative to accomplish this historic undertaking. The group raised \$280,000 towards the refurbishment of 2 Civil War cannons and the USS Maine cannon and for other site furnishings such as interpretive signage, wrought iron fencing and viewfinders. Fort Allen and the park have been beautifully restored to their former grandeur. We congratulate the Friends of the Eastern Promenade on this exceptional accomplishment for the benefit of the City of Portland, the State of Maine and all the park's visitors for generations to come; (SLS 1337)

John Cakouros, of Bath, United States Army veteran, longtime educator and prominent local citizen. Mr. Cakouros was born in Brooklyn, New York in 1925 and attended Brooklyn schools before joining the United States Army and serving in France during World War II. For his military service and the wounds he received, Mr. Cakouros was awarded the Bronze Star and Purple Heart medals. After the war, he met Jeanette Kinney. They married in Dover-Foxcroft and were together for over 60 years. They moved to Bath and later to Woolwich, where they lived many years. Mr. Cakouros became a teacher at Bath Junior High School and taught there for 25 years. He coached cross-country and track and instituted the Bath Junior School Invitational. After retiring and working at the Bath Post Office, he returned to teaching as a substitute teacher, stopping only after suffering a stroke at 80 years of age. Mr. Cakouros served as a trustee of the Patten Free Library and on the boards of the YMCA and the social service agency Elmhurst, Inc. He was also very active in the then Bath United Church of Christ, Congregational. Mr. Cakouros served the residents of Woolwich on the school board for 12 years and on 2 school building committees. He was Woolwich Health Officer for 30 years, working especially to get children out of substandard living conditions. We acknowledge Mr. Cakouros's service to his community, his State and his Nation and his dedication to children. He will be greatly missed and long remembered by his wife, Jeanette, his family and all those whose lives he touched; (SLS 1338) (memoriam)

Dr. James Laurita, of Hope, Curator and Co-founder of Hope Elephants. Dr. Laurita, a veterinarian, and his brother, Tom, founded the nonprofit agency in 2011 to care for 2 retired circus elephants that they brought to the State in 2012. When the brothers were young, they worked with the Carson & Barnes Circus in the Midwest, and one of their jobs was working with elephants, including the Asian elephants they eventually brought to Maine, Rosie and Opal. Dr. Laurita worked at the Bronx Zoo and as the head elephant trainer for a wildlife safari park in Oregon and traveled to India to work with elephants there before he settled in Hope and started a veterinary practice in Rockport. He worked to be at the forefront of geriatric elephant care, and the Hope elephants have become popular with schoolchildren and others in the midcoast area. We recognize Dr. Laurita's compassion for animals and his innovative vision for their care. He will be greatly missed and long remembered by his family and friends; (SLS 1339) (memoriam)

Bernice "Bunnie" Wright, of East Machias, upon her retirement as Clerk of the Town of East Machias. Ms. Wright has been a faithful employee of the town for over 20 years and has served with distinction. We send her our appreciation for her commitment to the community and to the State, and we congratulate her on her retirement; (SLS 1340)

Fred and Nancy Hastings, of Cutler, publishers of [I]The Downeast Coastal Press[/I], who have provided high-quality journalism for the people of coastal Washington County for more

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than 26 years. The Hastings launched [I]The Downeast Coastal Press[I] in July of 1988, with 20 pages in the first issue. It has been published 51 weeks every year for more than 26 years. The newspaper has been well received over the years, with every issue outselling the previous one until the recession of 2008. The newspaper will print its last edition in November of 2014. We extend our congratulations and appreciation to the Hastings and wish them all the best upon their retirement; (SLS 1341)

Huhtamaki, Inc., in Waterville, which has been presented with the Maine MEP 2014 Manufacturing Excellence Award by the Maine Manufacturing Extension Partnership. The award is presented in recognition of the company's efforts toward achieving world-class manufacturing status and implementing Next Generation Manufacturing Strategies and the company's commitment to improving the lives of their customers and others. We extend our congratulations to Huhtamaki, Inc. on its receiving this award; (SLS 1342)

Rebecca Hazel Cook, of Bridgton, as she celebrates her 101st birthday. Mrs. Cook was born in Bath on October 4, 1913. She worked for 35 years as a schoolteacher, teaching French and Latin. She established the Bridgton Chapter of the National Honor Society. Mrs. Cook has lived in Bridgton since 1945 and she and her husband Enoch were married for 67 years, raising 2 children together. We join with her friends in sending her our congratulations and best wishes on this special occasion; (SLS 1343)

Leo Joseph Pepin, of Augusta, United States Army veteran, musician, teacher and composer. Mr. Pepin was born in Augusta and served in the United States Army in Europe during World War II. He was later employed by the Maine State Department of Health and Welfare. Playing, teaching and composing music, however, were his life's work. He graduated from the Frank Gaviani Conservatory in Boston, the Mainete School of Music in Lewiston and the Northern Conservatory of Music in Bangor and opened his own studio in Augusta, the Leo Pepin School of Music. He taught instrumental music for over 30 years until his retirement. He composed "The Dirigo March," which in 2012 became the official march of the State. Mr. Pepin was inducted into the Franco-American Hall of Fame in March of this year. We acknowledge Mr. Pepin's cultural contributions to his community and the State. He will be sadly missed by his family and friends and all those whose lives he touched; (SLS 1344) (memoriam)

Steven Nadeau, of Raymond, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 800, 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 service project, Steven built an outdoor seating pavilion at the Windham Public Library. We extend our congratulations to him on this achievement; (SLS 1345)

Kenneth Joseph Ferland, of Bangor, on the occasion of his 90th birthday. He was born on October 11, 1924. We extend to Mr. Ferland our congratulations and best wishes; (SLS 1346)

Lisa Goodwin, of Bangor, City Clerk of Bangor, who has received the 2014 Lorraine M. Fleury Award from the Secretary of State. The award honors an individual who has made a significant contribution to the election process and who exemplifies the qualities of fairness, experience, knowledge and service. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Goodwin on her receiving this well-deserved award, and we send her our best wishes; (SLS 1347)

Jennifer A. Dorman, of Farmington, who was named the 2015 Maine Teacher of the Year by Educate Maine, a business-led organization whose mission is to champion college and career readiness and increased education attainment. Ms. Dorman is a special education teacher and reading interventionist at Skowhegan Area Middle School, a position she has held since 2006. From 1993 to 2006, she was the K-6 special education teacher for Maine School Administrative District No. 54. She was previously named the 2014 County Teacher of the Year for Somerset County. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Dorman on her receiving this high honor; (SLS 1348)

Larry G. White, Sr., of Jay, Chief of Police at the Jay Police Department. Chief White was born in Lewiston, graduated from Lewiston High School and studied criminal justice at the University of Maine, Lewiston. He was very proud of his career in law enforcement. He spent time working dispatch, in the jail and on patrol for local law enforcement agencies, including the Lewiston Police Department, the Androscoggin County Sheriff's Office, the Sabattus Police Department and the Livermore Falls Police Department, before finally joining the Jay Police Department in 1987. In Jay, Chief White began as patrolman and served as detective, DARE officer, sergeant, police chief and director of public safety (fire chief). Chief White will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving family, his many friends and the community he served so faithfully; (SLS 1349) (memoriam)

Peter Thompson, of Readfield, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Kennebec Valley Chamber of Commerce, who has received the President's Recognition Award from the Maine State Chamber of Commerce. The President's Recognition Award is presented to a company or individual who demonstrates involvement in promoting the mission and activities of the Maine State Chamber of Commerce. We extend to Mr. Thompson our congratulations and our thanks for his many years of service to the business community; (SLS 1350)

Joseph Murphy, of Mount Desert, who has received the 2014 Cadillac Award from the Bar Harbor Chamber of Commerce. This award is given to an individual who epitomizes the virtues of leadership, service and sacrifice and the quest for personal excellence through work and who has demonstrated dedication to the highest standards of business practice, ethical conduct and public service. Mr. Murphy began working at Bar Harbor Bank & Trust as its chief executive officer in 2002 and retired in 2013. He serves on the bank's board of directors, is active in the Maine Bankers Association and has served on the boards of numerous prominent organizations and institutions in Bar Harbor. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Murphy on his receiving this award; (SLS 1351)

Don Hewitt, of Somerville, who is the recipient of a 2014 Spirit of America Award for his many years of dedicated service to his community. The Spirit of America Foundation was established to encourage and promote volunteerism, and the award is presented to honor local individuals, organizations or projects in appreciation of community service. Mr. Hewitt was a selectman for Somerville for 33 years and has served in numerous other civic roles in the town, including 37 years as moderator and 29 years on the planning board. He also spearheaded the reincorporation of Somerville as a town. We send our congratulations to him on his receiving this award; (SLS 1352)

The Honorable Joy J. O'Brien, of Portland, Secretary of the Maine State Senate. Born in Brockton, Massachusetts, Ms.

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O'Brien grew up in Deering Center in Portland, graduating from Deering High School and New England College in New Hampshire. She began her career with the New Hampshire Legislature. Her service in Maine began in 1980 when she served in the Maine State Legislature's Senate Democratic Office as a special assistant. In 1982 she was sworn in as Secretary of the Senate and worked in the Senate until her passing. No Secretary of the Maine State Senate served longer than Ms. O'Brien, and her service was exemplary. She was an excellent parliamentarian and a very skilled administrator. She also was instrumental in the major remodeling of the Senate Chamber, and under her direction the Senate balcony was reopened for public use. She was indispensable to the workings of the Senate and relied upon by everyone. Joy O'Brien will be sadly missed and long remembered by her family, her friends and her colleagues at the Legislature and throughout State Government; (SLS 1353) (memoriam)

Topsham Grange No. 37, which is celebrating its 140th Anniversary. The Topsham Grange was founded November 17, 1874. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the Grange members in Topsham on this occasion; (SLS 1354)

Shelby Briggs, of Westbrook, who is the recipient of the Making a Difference Award from Day One for her leadership in the effort to prevent drug overdoses in Portland. We congratulate Ms. Briggs on her receiving this well-deserved award; (SLS 1355)

John Wolfram, of South Portland, Cheverus High School football coach and educator, who is the recipient of the Community Leadership Award from Day One for his 30 years of dedicated work with youth in the community. We congratulate Mr. Wolfram on his receiving this well-deserved award; (SLS 1356)

Andrea Cayer, of Cape Elizabeth, who is the recipient of the Community Vision Award from Day One for her 27-year partnership and leadership with Day One's Natural Helpers of Maine program at Cape Elizabeth High School. We congratulate Ms. Cayer on her receiving this well-deserved award; (SLS 1357)

John Gallagher, of Damariscotta, who has received the Maine State Grange Community Service Outstanding EMS Award. Mr. Gallagher has served the community as a firefighter and ambulance attendant for 50 years. For 42 years he has been involved with Central Lincoln County Ambulance Service. We extend to Mr. Gallagher our congratulations and best wishes; (SLS 1358)

Jerry DeWitt, of Lewiston, who has received the Giving Voice Award from Tri-County Mental Health Services. This award recognizes the extraordinary efforts made in behalf of mental health consumers in the area by an individual or group of individuals. We extend to Mr. DeWitt our congratulations and best wishes; (SLS 1359)

Mike Lee, of Lewiston, who has received the Inspiration Award from Tri-County Mental Health Services. This award recognizes a Tri-County Mental Health Services employee's excellence in and exemplary commitment to serving the clients and achieving the mission of the agency. We extend to Mr. Lee our congratulations and best wishes; (SLS 1360)

Mary Saunders, of Limestone, as she retires from her position as caretaker administrative assistant at Loring Development Authority, a position that she has held for nearly 21 years. Ms. Saunders was hired at the authority when the former Loring Air Force Base was closing down and evolving into the Loring Commerce Centre. We send her our appreciation for her dedicated service to Loring Development Authority and her

commitment to the community, and we send her our best wishes on her retirement; (SLS 1361)

Troy Heald, of Caribou, who has retired as Fire Chief of Washburn Fire and Rescue. Mr. Heald served the department for 18 years. We extend to Mr. Heald thanks for his service and our congratulations on a well-deserved retirement; (SLS 1362)

Gail Maynard, of Woodland, who has received the Conservation Leadership Award from the Natural Resources Council of Maine. She has received this recognition for her unwavering commitment to ensuring the State implements strong, commonsense regulations to protect the State's waters, wildlife and citizens from dangerous mining pollution. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Maynard; (SLS 1363)

Shelly Mountain, of Mapleton, who has received the Conservation Leadership Award from the Natural Resources Council of Maine. She has received this recognition for her unwavering commitment to ensuring the State implements strong, commonsense regulations to protect the State's waters, wildlife and citizens from dangerous mining pollution. We extend our congratulations to Ms. Mountain; (SLS 1364)

Larry Murphy, of Fort Kent, who has been inducted into the Maine Sports Legends Hall of Honors. Men and women are inducted into the hall for their extraordinary commitment and work behind the scenes to help students both academically and athletically. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Murphy on his induction; (SLS 1365)

Philip Caverhill, of Caribou, who has been inducted into the Maine Sports Legends Hall of Honors. Men and women are inducted into the hall for their extraordinary commitment and work behind the scenes to help students both academically and athletically. We extend our congratulations to Mr. Caverhill on his induction; (SLS 1366)

The Caribou Historical Society, which has celebrated its 40th anniversary. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the members of the society; (SLS 1367)

Dr. Melik Khoury, of Fort Kent, who has been named the 2014 UMFK Outstanding Young Alumnus by the University of Maine at Fort Kent. The honor is given for Dr. Khoury's service to the university and for his teaching career. We congratulate Dr. Khoury on the occasion of his receiving this honor; (SLS 1368)

Aimee Holabird, of Fort Kent, who has been named the 2014 UMFK Outstanding Future Alumna by the University of Maine at Fort Kent. The honor is given for Ms. Holabird's academic achievements and service at the university and in the community. We congratulate Ms. Holabird on the occasion of her receiving this honor; (SLS 1369)

Darrell Ouellette, of New Sweden, who has been named the 2014 UMFK Outstanding Alumnus by the University of Maine at Fort Kent. The honor is given for Mr. Ouellette's many years of dedicated police service and for his teaching career. We congratulate Mr. Ouellette on the occasion of his receiving this honor; (SLS 1370)

Dhanis L. Burgess, of Clinton. Mr. Burgess was born in New Britain, Connecticut and was educated in Waterville schools. He was a proud member of the United States Navy, serving aboard the USS John F. Kennedy until his honorable discharge in 1975. Mr. Burgess was a second-generation race car driver in the Burgess family and worked as a mechanic for many years. He also had his own cab, DNB taxi, for many years as well as working for other companies. He was a member of the Decker-Simmons American Legion Post 51 in Oakland. Mr. Burgess will

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be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving family and many friends; (SLS 1371) (memoriam)

Christopher A. Fogg, of Trenton, Executive Director of the Bar Harbor Chamber of Commerce, who has been named Chamber Executive of the Year by the Maine State Chamber of Commerce. This award is given annually in recognition of a local chamber of commerce executive's hard work, dedication and achievements in efforts such as economic development initiatives, successful events and an improved bottom line. We congratulate Mr. Fogg on his receiving this well-deserved honor; (SLS 1372)

Mark and Suzanne Patterson, of Sanford, who together have received the Kiwanian of the Year award. The award is given by the President of the Kiwanis Club of Sanford for a member's outstanding contributions to the club and to the community. Kiwanis is a global service organization of volunteers serving children and communities. We extend to Mr. and Mrs. Patterson our congratulations and best wishes; (SLS 1373)

Hazen Carpenter, of Springvale, who received the Merle E. Porell Distinguished Divisional Service Award from the Sanford Kiwanis Club for his significant contributions to the Kiwanis organization and to the community. Among his many contributions are his 2 decades of effort to create a system of trails along the Sanford area's premier water resource, the Mousam River. We extend our appreciation to Mr. Carpenter for his commitment to his community and congratulate him on his receiving this well-deserved award; (SLS 1374)

GAC Chemical Corporation, of Searsport, on its receiving a 2014 Governor's Award for Business Excellence. This award is given to business leaders for their commitment to their communities and their contributions to Maine's economy. GAC Chemical Corporation manufactures and distributes industrial, specialty and fine chemicals and is the worldwide leader in the production of high-purity ammonium sulfate, which is used in the pharmaceutical, food and water treatment industries. In 2013, GAC Chemical Corporation partnered with a manufacturer based in Mexico, and this partnership resulted in the first foreign direct investment in Maine from that country. GAC Chemical Corporation employs 65 people and is celebrating 20 years of business in the State. We extend our congratulations to GAC Chemical Corporation on its receiving this award; (SLS 1375)

The Kennebec District of the Garden Club Federation of Maine on the occasion of the dedication ceremony for the Blue Star Memorial Marker at the Maine Veterans' Memorial Cemetery. With the installation of the Blue Star Memorial Marker, the Kennebec District, in cooperation with the St. Croix District of the Garden Club Federation of Maine, honors the past, present and future armed forces personnel of the State. We send our appreciation to the Kennebec District, and to the St. Croix District, for this generous gift; (SLS 1376)

Ezra Garland Smith, of Winthrop, a veteran of World War II. Mr. Smith was born in Wayne and was a 1940 graduate of Kents Hill School. As a patriot and a lover of his country, he devoted his life to serving others, whether it was through volunteering with the 4-H club or with his children's school activities, and he was a good friend to everyone he met. Mr. Smith, with his late wife, Ada, raised his family in Winthrop and was a co-owner of Wilson's Dollar Store. He will be greatly missed and long remembered by his loving family and his many friends; (SLS 1377) (memoriam)

The York High School Field Hockey Team, which has won the Class B State Championship. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to the team; (SLS 1378)

Herbert S. Whittier, of Monmouth, on the occasion of his retirement as the Public Works Director of the Town of Monmouth. Mr. Whittier has served in the public works department for 44 years, 38 of which were as director. His many accomplishments include the building of the addition to the public works garage, the overhauling of the transfer station and the single-sort recycling program and the compiling of over 35 years of various winter meteorological records. Mr. Whittier has been honored with more than 20 annual public works excellence awards from the American Public Works Association. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to him on his well-earned retirement; (SLS 1379)

Ron Gray, of Lincoln, who has retired as Superintendent of the Lincoln Water District. Mr. Gray served the district for over 51 years. He started in April of 1963 after taking a temporary job to help with upgrades and other needs and never left. Mr. Gray's tenure as superintendent began in 1973. His time at the district was notable for the improvements that were made, including the addition of pumping stations, transmission lines and various other facilities, the improvement of mains, wells and meters and other projects. We extend to Mr. Gray our congratulations on his well-earned retirement and our best wishes; (SLS 1380)

Florence McEachern, of Old Town, who is celebrating her 100th Birthday. Mrs. McEachern was born on December 7, 1914. She is a Maine native, born in Hampden and currently residing at The Meadows in Old Town. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mrs. McEachern on this special occasion; (SLS 1381)

Justin D. Pelletier, of Vassalboro, a senior at Waterville High School and a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 410, 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 service project, Justin built trail beds and bog bridges for the Kennebec Land Trust's Webber Pond Trail System. We extend our congratulations to him on this achievement; (SLS 1382)

Seth Reed, of Vassalboro, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 410, 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, Seth designed and built bridges and a kiosk at the Vassalboro Town Forest Trail. We extend our congratulations to Seth on this achievement; (SLS 1383)

The VA Maine Women's Clinic Design Team, which has been awarded the VISN 1 Network Director's I CARE Award. The I CARE Award, given to those who exemplify the Veterans Administration values of integrity, commitment, advocacy, respect and excellence, has been presented to the team for its demonstrating exceptional respect in the design, construction and opening of the new Women's Health Clinic. Members of the team include: Roger Carroll, Richard Chase, Eric Desjardins, Richard Doughty, Travis Fitzherbert, Larhonda Harris, Erin King, Richard McNaughton, Floyd Morin, John Norton, Patricia Oakes, Susan Quick, Harold Reitdyk, Stephen Stewart, Richard Theriault and Tyler Watson. We extend to the members of the team our congratulations and our best wishes; (SLS 1384)

Derek Pierce, of Portland, Principal of Casco Bay High School, who has received the Larry O'Toole Award from the Nellie Mae Education Foundation. The award includes a \$100,000 grant to be given to Casco Bay High School to advance

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student-centered learning. This is the first time that a citizen of the State has received the award. We extend to Mr. Pierce our congratulations and best wishes; (SLS 1385)

Philip Francis William Dow, of Windham, a member of Boy Scout Troop No. 51, 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 service project, Philip planned and constructed an 8-foot-by-12-foot addition to a building on the site of Windham's future living history park. We extend our congratulations to Philip on this achievement; (SLS 1386)

The members of the Ellsworth High School Boys Soccer Team, who have won the Eastern Maine Class B Boys Soccer Championship. Members of the team include: players Nick Bagley, Conor Maguire, Brady White, Jeff Weeks, Jarred Whitney, Kyle Golding, Griffin Nightingale, Jack Weeks, Anthony Gardner, Dagan Berenyi, Volter Moeller, Matt Curtis, Trent Goodman, Jack McKechnie, Zach McGraw, Bruce St. Peter, John Fendl, Lukas Firestone, Alex Braley, Jacob Jordan, Jared Brown and Colby Clarke; Manager/Scorekeeper Hannah Crane; Assistant Coach Trevor Vadas and Assistant Coach Darby Higgins; and Head Coach Brian Higgins. We extend to all the members of the team our congratulations and best wishes; (SLS 1387)

Alice Baldwin Kamm, of Strong. Mrs. Kamm was born in Manila, the Philippines. During World War II, she was sent to the Santo Tomas Internment Camp by the Japanese. After the war, she attended the Katherine Gibbs School in Boston before returning to the Philippines to work for the family business. She married Charles Roberts Kamm in 1949, and the couple then moved to Cape Town, South Africa. Mrs. Kamm and her husband raised 5 children while living in various countries around the world, including South Africa, Brazil and Peru. While living in Lima, Peru, Mrs. Kamm was the Ladies Golf Champion of Peru for many years. She also was chair of the American Field Service in Lima. After Mr. Kamm passed away, Mrs. Kamm lived at the family farm in Strong, tending her beautiful, prolific gardens and painting. She was an active member of the Franklin County Extension Homemakers and Strong Seniors. Mrs. Kamm will be long remembered and sadly missed by her family and friends; (SLS 1388) (memoriam)

Sara J. Burns, of Manchester, who is the recipient of the 2014 Claddagh Award, which is given by the Maine Irish Heritage Center to honor a distinguished Maine Irish-American for service to the community and to the State of Maine. Ms. Burns, President and Chief Executive Officer of Central Maine Power, a subsidiary of Iberdrola USA, is a graduate of Colby College and serves on numerous boards, including Maine Health, the Maine State Chamber of Commerce, Maine & Company, the Gulf of Maine Research Institute and the George Mitchell Institute. She is the recipient of many business and community awards and was named Business Leader of the Year for Maine's largest companies by [I]Maine Biz[/I] in 2013. We send her our appreciation for her commitment to her community and to the State and congratulate her on her receiving this well-deserved honor; (SLS 1389)

Harold Weaver, 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. For his Eagle Scout service project, Harold

constructed a sign, complete with a roof for the protection of the sign, for the Wells Activity Center. We extend our congratulations to Harold on this achievement; (SLS 1390)

The Thornton Academy football team, the Golden Trojans, which has won the Class A State Football Championship. This is the team's 2nd state title in 3 seasons and their 4th overall since the state playoff system began in 1967. Members of the team include players Ben Lambert, Austin McCrum, Josh LePauloue, Corey Hart, Ethan Wiggan, Cameron Cadorette, Michael Laverriere, Tyler Lynn, Matthew Cleary, Greg Ruff, C.J. Michaud, Nate Glaude, Justin Boure, Dylan Smith, Tianxiao Zhu, Louis Bisson, Colby Doran, Connor Donahue, Demel Ruff, Owen Elliott, Derek Boissonnault, Ben Lovejoy, John Hothersall, Rome Pura, Jack Lemoine, Steven Field, Chris Harris, Jimmy Remmes, Tanner Collard, Josh Penafloida, Isaac Patry, Michael Kowash, Tyler Fleurant, Noah Letellier, Jonah Wells, Jared King, Jack Cianchette, Nick Bartholomew, Kyle Holman, Andrew St. Peter, Xavier LeClair, Jack Leskowsky, Gary Oakes, Ashton Lord, Elijah Ayotte, Tyler Drouin, D'Andre Morgan, Ben Zuke, Brian Martin, Michael Leedberg, Hazen Kunde, Ronald Breeden, Edgar Lozano, Evan Russell, Jackson Sawyer, Brandon Harmon, Chris Kowash and Kevin Barrett; and Head Coach Kevin Kezal. We extend our congratulations to all the members of the team; (SLS 1391)

Norma Clark, of York, who has been named the 2012 Citizen of the Year by the Greater York Region Chamber of Commerce for her contributions to the community. Ms. Clark is the owner of Norma's Restaurant, which has long been the place in the area to hold spaghetti dinner fund-raisers or to have donation jars to help people in need. She is a lifelong resident of York, having been raised in York Beach. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to her on her receiving this honor; (SLS 1392)