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Four Area Leaders Named

Trustees of Opportunity Farm for Boys and Girls

New Gloucester, Maine—Four leaders from the Greater Portland and Lewiston-Auburn areas have been appointed to the board of trustees of Opportunity Farm, a non-profit home for at-risk youth.

New board members are:

James M. "Jim" Giffune retired from Fraser Paper, Inc. in 1995 as senior vice president for operations, after serving 37 years in various positions in the paper industry. Giffune attended the U.S. Coast Guard Academy, earned a Bachelor of Science degree from New York State College of Environmental Science and Forestry and completed post-graduate studies at Northeastern University and Harvard. He lives in New Gloucester with his wife, Mary Ellen.

Colin O'Neill, a leading expert in the field of behavioral and mental health services for youth, O'Neill is currently Behavioral Health Service Administrator at Long Creek Youth Development Center (formerly the Maine Youth Center). He received his Bachelor of Science degree from St. Lawrence University in 1990 followed by his Masters Degree in Social Work from the University of New England in 1994. He served as Opportunity Farm's clinical social worker for five years before assuming his current post. He lives in Yarmouth with his wife and three children.

Robert D. "Bob" Stone is vice president and marketing manager for Lewiston's United Kingfield Bank. Stone is a prominent member of the Lewiston-Auburn community, where he serves as chairman of the City of Lewiston's Finance Committee and is involved with Lewiston-Auburn Excels. He has a Bachelors Degree from the University of Maine and has spent more than 32 years in the banking industry.

Cheryl Bascomb is marketing director at the accounting and consulting firm of Berry Dunn McNeil & Parker in Portland. A native of Washington, D.C., Cheryl attended Dartmouth College, where she served as an admissions officer before moving to Maine in 1984. Cheryl serves on the board of Maine Businesses for Social Responsibility and enjoys providing marketing advice to start-up and non-profit businesses. She lives in New Gloucester with her husband, David Van Wie and her two young children.

Opportunity Farm is a residential style, group-home for at-risk youth that has been providing homes for boys since 1910. The Farm is now building a new campus for girls and will welcome its first female residents later this year. Opportunity Farm has been selected as this year's charitable beneficiary for the Peoples Beach to Beach 10K Road Race.

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