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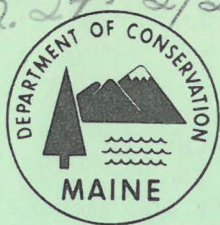
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CHRISTMAS PARTY - The Department of Conservation Christmas party will be held on Friday, December 16th at the American Legion Post # 2 Hall on Capital Street Extension in Augusta (off Western Avenue by the State Armory; maps will be available on request). All DOC employees and their guests are encouraged to attend for surprises, gifts, games, contests, and lots of fun. There will be a buffet-style meal catered by Rebecca's of Augusta which will include: finger rolls, marinated mushrooms, shrimp and potato salads, vegetable salad, jello molds, chips, punch and pastries. The cost will be \$4.00 per person which includes rental of the hall, bartender, decorations, food and clean-up. There will be an open bar for those who wish to indulge: Beer - \$1.00 and mixed drinks - \$1.25. There will be a band downstairs at 8:30 p.m. for a fee of \$2.00 for those who want to exhibit their dancing skills. We are hoping for a large turnout and would like to see people out in the field attend. If anyone has suggestions and ideas for entertainment please contact one of the Committee members listed: Tom Cieslinski or Ken Meyer at 289-3821; Carol Holden at 289-3061; Bob Johnston or Melanie Lancot at 289-2801; Donna McLaughlin at 289-2631, Tom Rumpf, Kris Oliveri or Don Moen at 289-2791, Andrea Erskine at 289-2211 and Debbie Everett or Dick Anderson, Administrative Services, 289-2211. Please fill out the form below and return it to Donna McLaughlin BEFORE December 8, 1983.

DOC CHRISTMAS PARTY - December 16, 1983

NAME _____

Number attending _____ X \$4.00 each = _____

Make checks payable to: Donna McLaughlin and mail to LURC,
State House Station # 22, Augusta, ME 04333

ROAD RACE - Norm Rodrigue and Tom Rumpf primed their Thanksgiving Day appetites by running in the Fifth Annual Gasping Gobbler 10K Road Race held in Augusta on Thursday morning. Both Norm and Tom bemoaned the difficulty of the course but were quick to point out that they broke personal records for the 10K race - 41:37 for Norm and 41:26 for Tom.

SLIDE SHOW - Looking for something interesting to do during lunch time? Lloyd Ireland, State Economist will be presenting a slide show titled "Growing Three Feet A Year: Timber Management In Oregon's Douglas Fir Region" on Thursday, December 1 (tomorrow) at 12:00 noon in the DEP Board Room.

DEER HUNTERS - Successful deer hunters from the Bureau of Parks and Recreation included Steve Curtis, George Hannum, Myrle Scott, Tom Skolfield, Wimpy Burnham, Dalton Kirk, Matt LaRoche and Ron Hunt. Congratulations!

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PERSONNEL - Richard Whiting, former seasonal Forest Technician with the Bureau of Public Lands has been hired permanently to assist in regional land management activities, especially an accelerated timber harvest due to the impact of severe budworm defoliation in eastern Maine. Richard is assigned to the Bureau's Eastern Region in Old Town...Pat Reardon, Assistant Ranger in the AWW, has been hired as Automotive Mechanic for the Snowmobile Division. This seasonal position is responsible for maintaining the division's trucks and trail grooming equipment. He will begin his new duties on December 12...Judy Andrews has been selected to full the position of Secretary to the Director of the Maine Forest Service replacing Priscilla Daiute who retired recently. CONGRATULATIONS to all of you!

PARK PROJECTS - The Engineering Division of the Bureau of Parks and Recreation reports the following projects underway: West Branch of the Penobscot River - GNP will survey the boundaries of campsites and lunchsites for inclusion in the leases being negotiated...George Hannum is working on the concept plan. George and Dick Coffin are overseeing the improvements taking place at Popham Beach...Al Wagner is winding down the Swan Lake construction as well as supervising repair of Songo Locks...Doug Tyler is dividing his time between West Quoddy Head and Cobscook Bay.

FARMING PROGRAM - Through an agreement with the Bureau of Public Lands, staff and inmates of Thomaston State Prison were able to plant and recently harvest about 55 tons of potatoes from 5 acres of public land located in the town of Warren. The potatoes, together with vegetables raised on 15 acres of prison land are expected to reduce food costs at the prison by as much as \$30,000 this year. Robb Spivey, Southern Regional Manager for the Bureau stated, "we're pleased that the agreement allowed the land to be used and managed in a way that reduces costs at another State agency."

TRAVELERS - Steve and Kris Oliveri traveled to Tennessee to spend the Thanksgiving holiday with relatives. They will be returning on December 5th...Judy Tyler and her family traveled to Florida recently visiting Disney World...Don Norman and his wife Lucy also took a vacation in Florida to visit friends...Ben Wilson recently traveled to Pensacola, Florida to attend the wedding of his oldest son.

BABY TALK - Matt and Ruth LaRoche recently became the proud parents of a baby boy, Levi Joseph, born on November 11. Levi weighed in at 9 pounds, 6 ounces. Congratulations!

LAND USE CONTROL:
MAKING THE LAWS WORK Because of growing evidence that Maine's land use laws are not fulfilling the objectives for which they were designed, a one-day conference has been scheduled to look at the factors contributing to the current situation and to investigate ways to increase the effectiveness of Maine's land-use laws. The conference is scheduled for Thursday, December 15 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and will be held in the Cushnoc Auditorium at the Augusta Civic Center. Registration is limited and on a "first come" basis. For further information and registration forms, contact the Natural Resources Council of Maine, at 622-3101.