

# Offices Closed Memorial Day

Our offices will be closed Monday, May 27 for Memorial Day. We wish everyone a safe and happy weekend.

We will be back at work Tuesday, May 28 at 8 a.m.

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## Proud to Sponsor a Celebration of National Maritime Day in Belfast – May 18

The Propeller Club of the United States' Searsport/Bucksport Chapter announces the area's first celebration of National Maritime Day, to take place on Saturday, May 18, at Heritage Park in the City of Belfast. The celebration will call attention to our region's rich commercial maritime heritage, and feature companies and organizations that support growth and safe operations within Penobscot Bay's active seaports.

Planned activities include: USCG Color Guard honoring mariners lost at sea, guided tours aboard commercial and training vessels, boat trips, pilot gig rowing, law enforcement vessels, pilot boats, tug boats, and many other port support vessels. There will be a live tug boat demonstration by Penobscot Bay Tractor Tug Company tug FOURNIER TRACTOR, and a demonstration of the Bangor Fire Department's new fire and rescue boat. Folk live music by the Windbuyer's. Exhibits from 24 + local companies.

Event Schedule

10:00 AM	Opening Ceremonies	Pres. Capt. David Gelinias
11:00 AM	Honoring those Lost at Sea Hymn "Eternal Father" Blessing & Prayers Laying of the Wreath	U.S.C.G. Color Guard St. Margaret's Choir Reverend Joel Kreuger. Capt William Abbott
11:30 AM	Award Maritime Person of the Year	Presented to Mr. Peter Vigue
12:00 PM	Live Music	The Windbuyers folk trio
2:00 PM	Demonstration of Fire Fighting Live Tug Boat Demonstration with all water cannons blazing	Bangor Fire Department Penobscot Bay Tractor Tug Company, Belfast
4:00 PM	Closing Ceremonies	Pres. Capt. David Gelinias & V. Pres. Capt. Worth

## History of National Maritime Day

In 1933 the U.S. Congress designated May 22 as National Maritime Day to honor those who serve the nation as merchant mariners. On or about that day, the nation celebrates commercial seafarers for safely and responsibly promoting commerce and for protecting our freedom. The day is also intended to highlight the importance of the industry and our maritime heritage.

## Maritime Person of the Year Award

The Propeller Club of Searsport and Bucksport are proud to announce that the recipient of the Club's first Maritime Person of the Year Award for 2013 is Mr. Peter Vigue, Chair and CEO of the Cianbro Corporation. A Maine native, he received a B.S. in Marine Engineering from Maine Maritime Academy. After work in the Merchant Marine, he joined Cianbro in 1970 and soon became a leader in the construction industry. Under the leadership of Mr. Vigue, Cianbro has used Maine's working ports in new and creative ways: they have brought valuable work to the port of Rockland, and overhauled the former Eastern Fine Paper facility in Brewer into a modular fabrication facility. For his influence in improving infrastructure in the region, his appreciation for the strategic significance of Maine's working ports, and his

ability to bring jobs and opportunity to the State, we are honoring Mr. Peter Vigue with our award as Maritime Person of the Year.

**Background:** In 2007, Cianbro started the overhaul of the former Eastern Fine Paper facility in Brewer, turning the former mill site into a modular fabrication facility. The site's location adjacent to the Penobscot River was an especially attractive attribute for Cianbro, as the finished modules could be shipped out by barge. The first shipment was made in March of 2009, marking the first time in decades that manufactured goods had been exported down-river, and established the return of Brewer as a working port. In June of 2010, Cianbro was successful in securing a contract to do overhaul work on a 748' deep-sea drill ship, the STENA FORTH. The project utilized the Port of Rockland as a staging and logistical base to successfully execute this task.

Attending Vessels and Exhibitors in alphabetical order

- Bangor Fire department: 26' Fire & Rescue Boat
- Cianbro Corporation
- Come Boating
- Cummins Northeast LLC
- Dragon Cement Products
- First Wind
- Front Street Shipyard
- Great Northern Paper/Thermogen Industries
- Hamilton Marine
- Harbor tours aboard *M/V Fish Hawk* at discounted ticket price
- Hartley Marine Services
- H.O. Bouchard
- Irving Oil
- Lane Construction Corporation

- Maine dept. of Environmental Protection
- Maine Dept. of Marine Resources
- Maine Maritime Academy
- Maine Marine Patrol: 47' patrol boat *Guardian*
- Maine Port Authority
- National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)/  
National Ocean Service (NOS)
- NEARACOOS (Northeast Regional Association of Coastal and  
Ocean Observing Systems)
- Nautical Scribe Books of Belfast
- Oil Spill Response Vessel Alvin McNeil
- Penobscot Bay and River Pilots: 47' Pilot Boat *Penobscot  
Pilot.*
- Penobscot Bay Tractor Tug Company (one or more tugboats  
open for tours.)
- Penobscot River Oil Pollution Abatement Committee  
(PROPAC)- oil spill response vessels and equipment
- Penobscot Marine Museum, Searsport
- Prock Marine Corporation
- Reed & Reed
- Searsport Pilot Boat "*Ciloway III*" *Courtesy Hamilton  
Marine*
- Sprague Energy Corporation
- Tug *Pentagoet*; "*Motor Vessel Ned*" *Courtesy Maine  
Maritime Marine*
- U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary
- U.S.C.G. Color Guard North Eastern Sector Portland  
division
- Webber Energy/Webber Tanks

Sponsorship is being provided by the following Companies in alphabetical order:

- Allen Insurance and Financial
- Cianbro Corporation

- Cummins Northeast LLC
- First Wind
- Hamilton Marine
- Irving Oil
- Lane Construction Company
- Mainely Solutions
- Montreal, Maine and Atlantic Railroad
- Monhegan Boat Line
- Nautical Scribe Books of Belfast
- Penobscot Bay and River Pilots Association
- Penobscot Bay Tractor Tug Company serving the Penobscot Region
- Prock Marine Corporation
- Prock Marine Tug & Barge
- R & R Ltd
- Reed & Reed
- Sprague Energy
- Thermogen Industries/Cate Street Capital
- Wardwell Construction

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**Now Open In Belfast!**



Allen Insurance and Financial is pleased to announce the opening of the company's Belfast office at 156 High Street. This is the company's fourth Maine location and will offer business and personal insurance and financial planning services.

"We work with a growing number of individuals, families and businesses in Belfast and the surrounding towns in Waldo County. Opening a Belfast location is about customer service – plus it makes good business sense for our company," said Michael Pierce, president of Allen Insurance and Financial. "We are looking forward to meeting our neighbors and becoming more involved in the community."

The Allen Insurance and Financial Belfast office will be staffed by (from left, in photo above): Brian Beaulieu, financial advisor; Joella Rossignol, personal insurance specialist; Mallory (Follett) Arsenault, commercial insurance service and Gene Newton, financial paraplanner.

Allen Insurance and Financial has other offices in Rockland, Camden and Southwest Harbor, where the company operates as L.S. Robinson Co. Allen is an employee-owned, community-minded company providing insurance and financial planning services to people in Maine and all over the world.

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# Supporting the Penobscot Bay YMCA's Healthy Kids Day



Allen Insurance and Financial and Harvard Pilgrim Health Care are pleased to sponsor the 2013 Healthy Kids Day at the Penobscot Bay YMCA in Rockport.

“Healthy kids and healthy communities are at the heart of this partnership,” said Dan Wyman, employee benefits manager at Allen Insurance and Financial, pictured here with Troy Curtis, Executive Director at the Penobscot Bay YMCA.

YMCA Healthy Kids Day, set for April 27, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Penobscot Bay YMCA in Rockport, is a day of free events and active play designed to encourage children and their families to try new and fun activities. YMCA Healthy Kids Day is celebrated nationwide at more than 1,700 YMCAs.

Harvard Pilgrim Health Care is a not-for-profit health plan serving more than one million members in New England. Founded in 1969, the health plan has built its reputation on pragmatic innovation with a goal of lowering costs, improving care and enhancing the overall member experience. Harvard Pilgrim is known for its excellent clinical programs, customer service, health improvement strategies and innovative tools that offer consumers greater transparency and empower them to make better decisions about their health care. Ranked as the top private health plan in America for nine consecutive year by the National Committee for Quality Assurance, Harvard Pilgrim says: "Count Us In" to the members and communities it serves.

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# **Offices Closing Early Wednesday**

Our offices will be closing Tuesday, March 19, at 3 p.m., due to the weather. We will reopen Wednesday at 8 a.m. We hope everyone gets home safely.

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# Supporting the Rockland Public Library

Allen Insurance and Financial recently made a donation to the Rockland Public Library Endowment Association. Pictured here are Kit Stone, president, RPLEA, and Meesha Luce, personal insurance specialist from Allen Insurance and Financial's Rockland office. RPLEA raises funds for both the current and long-term needs of the library.



# Builders Alliance Focuses on Affordable Care Act

✘ [Dan Wyman](#), Insured Benefits Manager at Allen Insurance and Financial, will be the guest speaker at the Maine Contractors & Builders Alliance Lincoln County meeting on Wednesday, March 13. Dan will focus on the Affordable Care Act and what it means for alliance members.

The meeting begins at 5:30 p.m. at Montsweag Road House in Woolwich. Cost is \$25 for members and \$35 for non-members. RSVP with meal choice (chicken, steak or fish) to Lisa at I&S Insulation: [isoffice@tidewater.net](mailto:isoffice@tidewater.net)

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## Supporting Waldo Community Action Partners 2013



Allen Insurance and Financial recently made a donation to Waldo Community Action Partners, with the money going toward the completion of the installation of energy efficient windows at the Belfast Head Start Center on High Street. Pictured here are Business Insurance Specialist Richard Crossman of Allen Insurance and Financial and Keith Small, executive director of WCAP.

A multi-service agency serving Waldo County since 1965, WCAP is the largest provider of low-cost and free transportation and early childhood education in Waldo County. Allen Insurance and Financial, an independent agency providing insurance and financial planning services, has offices in Rockland, Camden and SouthwestHarbor.

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# **Offices Closing Due to Weather**

Our offices are closing at 2 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 8 and will reopen at 8:30 a.m. Monday, Feb. 11.

We wish everyone a warm and safe weekend.

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## **Mallory Follett Presents to Camden Club About Her Rotary Leadership Experience**

Earlier this week Mallory Follett, a commercial insurance processor in our Camden office, gave a presentation to the Camden Rotary Club about her experience with the Rotary Young Leadership Awards program. Says Mallory: "I was very nervous at first, but once I looked up and saw some familiar, and all smiling faces, my nerves were calmed. I felt pretty good about my presentation after all was said and done."



“RYLA means something different for everyone. For me, RYLA was an eye opening experience that got me out of my comfort zone, and thinking about my role not only in the community, but the world.

“I admit, I was apprehensive at first, but once I arrived and saw all the smiling faces, I knew it would be an unforgettable weekend.

“RYLA helps you to discover your true potential and develop the skills needed to be a positive and effective leader in your community, career, and everyday life.

“Through RYLA I developed stronger teambuilding and leadership skills, as well as self esteem and self confidence.

“I learned that if you establish a goal and take steps towards accomplishing that goal, anything is possible. I also learned that being a leader includes being a follower, a listener, a volunteer, even a friend. I know that I would not be the person and leader I am today if it had not been for my experience at RYLA.

“I can honestly say that I learned more in one weekend at RYLA than I ever expected. I encourage people to become more familiar with RYLA and what it really is. In a world of clichés,

we hear the phrase “life-changing experience” far too often, but RYLA really is.”