

OFFICIAL EVENT PROGRAM

BATTLE OF THE BEARS

MAINE ALUMNI VS BRUINS ALUMNI



HOCKEY FOR HEALING AND HOPE

IN MEMORY OF
FIREFIGHTER CROSS
ASSISTANT CHIEF WOODBURY

SEPTEMBER 19TH ALFOND ARENA ORONO, ME

"MORE
THAN
A GAME"

A
STRONGER
TOMORROW
TOGETHER

ORONO, MAINE | SEPTEMBER 19, 2026



OFFICIAL COMMEMORATIVE EVENT PROGRAM

SEPTEMBER 19, 2026 • ALFOND ARENA • ORONO, MAINE

Hockey for Healing, Remembrance, and Hope

Presented by Canteen 19 and Unified Special Hockey of Maine



BATTLE OF THE BEARS

WELCOME

More Than a Hockey Game

Tonight, the Battle of the Bears brings together hockey, public safety and community for an evening of remembrance, gratitude, fellowship and hope.

On May 15, 2026, the explosion and fire at Robbins Lumber in Searsmont forever changed families, departments, workplaces and communities across Waldo County. First responders, mill employees, medical teams, mutual-aid partners and neighbors answered an extraordinary call.

Tonight we gather at Alford Arena not in response to an emergency, but in support of the people who answered it. We remember those whose lives were lost, honor those who survived, recognize the families and departments who continue to carry the weight of that day, and celebrate the strength of a community that continues to stand together.

Tonight, we play for something bigger than the game.



BATTLE OF THE BEARS

THE ORGANIZATIONS

Service • Community • Inclusion

WALDO COUNTY FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION

The Waldo County Firefighters Association brings together firefighters and fire departments from throughout Waldo County in a shared commitment to service, training, cooperation and mutual support. Through collaboration, communication and fellowship, the Association strengthens the relationships that make mutual aid possible. The Battle of the Bears supports the Association's Benefit Fund for personnel impacted by the Robbins Lumber tragedy.



CANTEEN 19

Canteen 19 is a nonprofit organization dedicated to supporting firefighters, EMS personnel, emergency management agencies and other first responders during emergency incidents, training exercises and major regional events. Working across multiple jurisdictions, Canteen 19 provides food, hydration, rehabilitation support, logistical assistance and care for personnel working long and difficult operations. During the Robbins Lumber incident, Canteen 19 worked as part of Waldo County Emergency Management Agency logistics, coordinating food for more than 300 personnel throughout the duration of the incident.



UNIFIED SPECIAL HOCKEY OF MAINE

Unified Special Hockey of Maine uses hockey to create opportunities for athletes with intellectual, developmental and physical disabilities to experience the game they love — building confidence, friendships, teamwork and belonging. Through the Maine Highlanders and community partnerships, the organization promotes acceptance, inclusion and meaningful participation on the ice and throughout the community.



BATTLE OF THE BEARS

OFFICIAL EVENT SCHEDULE

Pregame Ceremony & Game Presentation

TIME	EVENT
5:00 PM	Doors Open <i>Please visit our vendor organization tables and stop by to say hello to the Burn Survivors of New England table to say hello and learn about resources available.</i>
5:30 - 5:45 PM	Team Warm-Ups
5:45 - 5:50 PM	Burn Survivors of New England Video Introduction
5:50 - 6:00 PM	Opening Ceremony Introduction Video – <i>Simon French</i> Scotland the Brave – <i>Roderick Charette, Maine State Police</i> Presentation of Colors – <i>Bangor Fire Department Honor Guard</i> National Anthem – <i>Josiah Dyer, American Idol Contestant</i> Retire Colors (<i>Players to your benches</i>)
6:00 PM	Welcome remarks – <i>Sarah Joliat</i> Video message Introductory remarks – <i>Bill Gillespie, President, Maine Fire Chiefs Association</i> Memorial words and moment of silence – <i>Chaplain TJ Caldwell, Old Town Public Safety</i> Amazing Grace – <i>Roderick Charette, Maine State Police</i> Guest Speaker – <i>Thomas Higgins, Orono Fire Chief and New England Division President of the International Association of Fire Chiefs</i> Player Introductions Ceremonial Puck Drop – <i>Firefighter Jacob Spaulding</i> <i>Honored Guest and representing a member of the Survivors of the Robbins Lumber incident. Jacob is a member of Montville Fire Department.</i>
	Puck Drop (First Period)
Intermission	Alumni Autograph Signing & Unified Special Hockey of Maine Maine Highlanders Demonstration / Skills Showcase Video Introduction
Second Period	Second Period



SPECIAL GUEST RECOGNITION

Honoring Service, Leadership & Community

We are honored to welcome representatives of Maine's fire service, public safety community and regional fire-service leadership.



Bill Gillespie

Introductory Remarks

President, Maine Fire Chiefs Association

Bill Gillespie has served as Chief of Liberty Fire and Rescue since 2009 and President of the Waldo County Fire Chiefs since 2012. He is the current President of the Maine Fire Chiefs Association and the 2019 recipient of the Fire Chief of the Year award. Bill served as Incident Commander of the Robbins Lumber Mill fire immediately following the explosion through final extinguishment. He is a dedicated advocate for Maine's fire service, working in Augusta to advance positive change, strengthen resources, and support fire service personnel across the state.

Chaplain TJ Caldwell

Moment of Silence

Old Town Public Safety

Memorial words and reflection.



Thomas Higgins

Special Guest Remarks

Orono Fire Chief and New England Division President of the International Association of Fire Chiefs

Tom was a career firefighter with the Bangor Fire Department. He rose through the ranks and retired as the Fire Chief of Bangor. He was the 2018 recipient of the Fire Chief of the year and is the newly inducted New England District Representative for the International Association of Fire Chiefs. Tom is currently the Fire Chief of Orono Fire Department.

Final speaking order and participating guests subject to confirmation.

CEREMONIAL HONORS & NATIONAL ANTHEM

Honoring Tradition, Service and Community



BANGOR FIRE DEPARTMENT HONOR GUARD

The Bangor Fire Department Honor Guard proudly represents the Bangor Fire Department at ceremonial events throughout the community. The team's mission is to honor the department, the fire service, and those who have made the ultimate sacrifice through precision, professionalism, and dignity.

The Honor Guard participates in public safety ceremonies, memorial services, parades and community events, carrying on a tradition of service, respect and remembrance.



MAINE STATE POLICE PIPE AND DRUM UNIT

The Maine State Police Pipe and Drum Unit has been a consistent representation of departmental pride and esprit de corps since its first public performance in 1998. With the help of musical leadership from members of the Maine EMS and the Maine DEP, rank and file sworn and retired personnel have played regularly at graduations, memorial services, funerals and parades.

Membership in the unit is available to all sworn personnel who have the motivation, drive and commitment to learn to play the snare, tenor, or bass drum or even the Great Highland Bagpipe. Instruction is free and comes from within the unit. Those members interested in wearing the Maine State Tartan © and joining the only departmental pipe and drum unit within the State of Maine are encouraged to contact any current piper or drummer.



JOSHIAH DYER – NATIONAL ANTHEM PERFORMER

At just 21 years old, Josiah Dyer is turning heads in the country music world with a voice that echoes the soul of a seasoned artist. Hailing from Charleston, Maine, Josiah blends the heart of traditional country with a fresh, modern edge—creating a sound that's both timeless and current.

A musician since the age of 11, Josiah has spent years refining his craft—playing guitar, developing a rich vocal range, and writing songs that resonate with authenticity and emotion. His talent has already earned him prestigious vocal and songwriting awards in both Maine and Tennessee. His debut album, *Time Won't Last Forever*, is available in both CD and digital formats and showcases his signature blend of heartfelt storytelling and classic country grit.

Josiah was invited by the producers of American Idol to audition in front of the celebrity judges; Lionel Richie, Carrie Underwood and Luke Bryan. His audition aired in the premiere of American Idol on January 26th which is available to watch on ABC. Keep an eye on him as an up and coming new voice to the American country tradition.

Final speaking order and participating guests subject to confirmation.

BURN SURVIVORS OF NEW ENGLAND

COMMUNITY • PEER SUPPORT • EDUCATION • ADVOCACY

Healing after a burn injury reaches far beyond the hospital. Burn Survivors of New England (BSONE) is a Massachusetts-based nonprofit community dedicated to helping burn survivors and their families move forward with connection, practical support, education, and hope.



A COMMUNITY BUILT AROUND RECOVERY

BSONE emphasizes meaningful relationships among survivors, families, caregivers, healthcare professionals, and the fire service. Its work recognizes that recovery can include physical rehabilitation as well as emotional adjustment, confidence, family support, return to community life, and the value of meeting others who understand the experience.

A LEGACY OF STRENGTH

Co-Founder George Pessotti has devoted decades to helping burn survivors and their families navigate recovery. Through peer support, education, and advocacy, BNONE works to create a place where survivors can find understanding, encouragement, and a sense that they do not have to navigate the long-term journey alone.

Monthly Burn Support Group

Find Strength Together: Monthly Group Discussions

Join us every second Tuesday of the month for our burn support group Zoom meeting, dedicated to Burn Survivors, their families, caregivers, clinicians, and first responders. Engage in insightful discussions on long-term recovery, stay updated on the latest burn research,

MONTHLY BURN SUPPORT GROUP

Find Strength Together

BSONE hosts a Zoom support group on the **second Tuesday of each month** for burn survivors, families, caregivers, clinicians, and first responders. Discussions may include long-term recovery, burn research, shared experiences, questions, and peer encouragement. Participants are welcome to listen or take part in the conversation.

WHY THIS MATTERS AT BATTLE OF THE BEARS

The Battle of the Bears is centered on standing beside people whose lives have been changed by fire and catastrophic injury. BNONE's mission helps illustrate an important truth: survival is only the beginning. Long-term recovery is strengthened by knowledgeable care, peer connection, family support, accessible resources, and communities willing to remain present long after the emergency is over.

For survivors and families: asking for support is part of recovery. Peer-support organizations can complement—not replace—medical, rehabilitation, and mental-health care by connecting people with others who have lived through similar challenges.

Program information adapted from materials supplied by Burn Survivors of New England for this event program.

FIRST RESPONDER ASSISTANCE & RESOURCES

Support, Recovery, Resilience & Connection

For those who serve - and for the families who stand beside them - help is available. These organizations provide specialized pathways for behavioral health, burn recovery, post-traumatic growth, resilience and disaster support.

IAFF

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ORGANIZATION

IAFF CENTER OF EXCELLENCE

A confidential behavioral-health treatment center created specifically for IAFF members. It provides specialized care for occupational trauma, PTSD, depression, anxiety, substance-use disorders and related behavioral-health challenges, with clinicians who understand fire-service culture.

Visit: [IAFF Center of Excellence](#)

BSONE

RESOURCE
ORGANIZATION

BURN SURVIVORS OF NEW ENGLAND

A New England nonprofit supporting burn survivors and their loved ones through peer support, education, community connection and recovery resources. Its one-to-one and group programs connect survivors and families with people who understand the long-term journey after a burn injury.

Visit: [Burn Survivors of New England](#)

TMF

RESOURCE
ORGANIZATION

TRAVIS MILLS FOUNDATION - WARRIOR PATHH

Warrior PATHH serves combat veterans and first responders through intensive, peer-led training focused on Post-Traumatic Growth. The program begins with an immersive experience in Maine and continues with structured peer support and accountability, at no cost to participants.

Visit: [Travis Mills Foundation - Warrior PATHH](#)

RR

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ORGANIZATION

THE RESILIENT RESPONDER - JASON MILLS

Founded by retired firefighter/paramedic Jason Mills, The Resilient Responder provides first-responder-focused wellness, resiliency, training and consulting. Its strengths-based approach is built around helping responders prepare, survive and thrive throughout their careers and beyond.

Visit: [The Resilient Responder](#)

ARC

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ORGANIZATION

AMERICAN RED CROSS - DISASTER MENTAL HEALTH

The American Red Cross provides disaster relief and recovery support, including emotional and mental-health assistance. Licensed Disaster Mental Health volunteers offer psychological first aid, crisis support, coping resources and referrals following disasters and emergencies.

Visit: [American Red Cross - Disaster Mental Health](#)

IMMEDIATE CRISIS SUPPORT

If you or someone you know is in immediate danger, call 911. For 24/7 crisis support in the U.S., call or text 988.

This resource page is informational and is not a substitute for emergency or professional medical care.

BATTLE OF THE BEARS

IN MEMORY & IN HONOR

Robbins Lumber • May 15, 2026 • Searsmont, Maine



The following memorial pages are dedicated to the three lives ultimately lost, to every person injured, and to the families, friends, responders, coworkers and medical teams who carried them through the difficult days that followed.

WE REMEMBER • WE HONOR • WE STAND TOGETHER

IN MEMORY & IN HONOR

Remembering the Robbins Lumber Tragedy

MAY 15, 2026 • SEARSMONT, MAINE



On May 15, 2026, a devastating fire and explosion at Robbins Lumber forever changed families, fire departments, workplaces and communities across Waldo County. Firefighters and EMS personnel answered the call alongside mill employees and members of the Robbins family. In the days and weeks that followed, Maine witnessed both profound loss and extraordinary courage.

This memorial is dedicated to the three lives ultimately lost as a result of the tragedy, to every person injured, and to the families, friends, responders and medical teams who carried them through the difficult days that followed.

THREE LIVES • FOREVER REMEMBERED



Andrew Ryan Cross

Morrill Fire Department
1998-2026



Wayne L. Woodbury

Searsmont Fire Department
1950-2026



Alden J. Robbins

Robbins Lumber
1975-2026



We remember those we lost. We honor those who survived. We stand with their families. We carry their stories forward.



IN LOVING MEMORY

Firefighter Andrew Ryan Cross



Andrew Ryan Cross

MORRILL VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT • SEPTEMBER 21, 1998
- MAY 15, 2026

Andrew, 27, died in brave service to others. A graduate of Belfast Area High School, he continued his education in Mechanical Technology and earned certificates in heavy-equipment operation and engine work. He was an outside machinist at Bath Iron Works, owned A.R. Cross Trucking, plowed roads for the Town of Morrill, and served his community as a volunteer firefighter.

Andrew grew up in Morrill on land that had been in his family for generations. He loved the outdoors and was an avid hunter, fisherman and snowmobiler. He treasured time at camp, northern Maine snowmobile trails, family gatherings, big meals and shared stories. Those who knew him remembered a man who was always ready to lend a hand and whose smile quickly endeared him to others.

His life reflected service in its most personal form: working hard, helping neighbors, caring for family, and answering the call when others needed him.



Assistant Chief Wayne L. Woodbury



Wayne L. Woodbury

SEARSMONT FIRE DEPARTMENT • MARCH 8, 1950 - JUNE 14, 2026

Wayne, 76, died from injuries sustained while responding to the May 15 fire. A 1968 graduate of Belfast Area High School, he entered the Bath Iron Works Apprentices Program and later served on the BIW fire brigade, earning extensive training including high-angle rescue. He devoted more than 60 years to volunteer firefighting in Belmont and Searsmont, where he served as assistant chief.

Wayne was an outdoorsman with a deep appreciation for wildlife and nature. He tended his orchards, fished in every season, and spent winter hours in his workshop making gifts for friends and for charity. His mornings often included coffee and sweets at Ames Farm Equipment with his friend James. He was remembered as a gentle man who loved his friends, his community and Maine.



IN LOVING MEMORY

Alden J. Robbins



Alden J. Robbins

ROBBINS LUMBER • MARCH 26, 1975 - JULY 2, 2026

Alden, 51, died after a courageous seven-week fight following injuries sustained in the May 15 tragedy. Born to Jim and Ann Robbins, he brought an infectious enthusiasm to life and a remarkable ability to make friends, imagine possibilities and leave people happier for having crossed his path.

Those who knew Alden understood that the measure of his life was not simply accomplishment, but the people he loved, the adventures he pursued, the meals he shared, the ideas he dreamed and the joy he found in everyday moments. His legacy lives in his wife and six children, in generations of family tradition, in friendships, shared meals, running trails, laughter and the countless lives enriched by knowing him.

Fifty-one years was far too short, yet Alden filled those years with love, curiosity, generosity, humor, friendship and adventure. The joy he poured into the lives of others remains part of the legacy he leaves behind.



Andrew Cross • Wayne Woodbury • Alden Robbins

Three lives remembered not only for how they were lost, but for how fully they were lived.



IN HONOR OF THOSE WHO SURVIVED

Courage Beyond May 15

The tragedy did not end when the fire was extinguished. Survivors and their families faced hospitalization, treatment, rehabilitation, uncertainty and the long work of recovery. Their courage is also part of the story of May 15.



Chief James Ames

Searsmont Fire Department



Aaron Heald

Lincolnton Fire Department



Katherine Paige

Belmont Fire Department



Jacob Spaulding

Montville Fire Department



EMS Chief Sarah Tompkins

Searsmont EMS



Liliane "Lily" Robbins

Searsmont EMS



Chief Clifton Marriner

Appleton Fire Department

We honor not only what happened to you that day, but everything that came afterward - the hospital rooms, treatments, rehabilitation, families keeping vigil, departments standing beside their members, and communities refusing to let anyone face the journey alone.



Strength, Recovery & Community



James Robbins

ROBBINS LUMBER

Injured in the May 15 explosion and fire. We honor his strength and recovery, and the extraordinary support surrounding the Robbins family and the Robbins Lumber community.

IN HONOR

Thomas Wolf

Robbins Lumber

WE HONOR YOUR COURAGE

We recognize every firefighter, EMS provider, mill employee, dispatcher, law-enforcement officer, medical professional, mutual-aid responder and community member whose actions helped others during and after this tragedy.

May we forever remember Andrew Cross, Wayne Woodbury and Alden Robbins. May we continue to surround their families with strength and compassion, and may we continue to stand beside every survivor and every family whose life was changed on May 15.

NEVER FORGOTTEN • NEVER ALONE

We remember those we lost.

We honor those who survived.

We stand with the families.

And we will carry their stories forward.

Biographical text is respectfully condensed from published obituaries, family statements and public-safety information. The permanent tribute intentionally omits temporary hospital-status information.



BATTLE OF THE BEARS

MAINE ALUMNI ROSTER

Battle of the Bears • Team Roster

#	PLAYER	YEAR / AFFILIATION
33	Alfie Michaud	1996-1999
30	Mike Morrison	1998-2002
2	Eric Turgeon	1998-2001
4	Peter Metcalf	1998-2001
5	Emil Westerlund	1997-2001
7	Travis Fecteau	Lewiston PD
12	Ben Guite	1996-2000
13	Marcus Gustafsson	1994-1999
15	Nico Dimitrakos	1998-2002
16	Dan Kerluke	1997-2001
19	Kristian Joliat	Canteen 19 / WCFFA
22	Kent Salfi	1989-1993
24	Jim Leger	1996-2000
27	Scott Smith	82-86 Scarborough FD ret.
28	Jean Yves Roy	1989-1992
28	Mario Thyer	1987-1989
36	Brendan Walsh	1998-2000 / Boston PD
39	Ryan Davis	Holden Fire Chief
40	Trevor Roenick	1993-1996
42	Marc Anthoine	2010-2014

HONORARY COACHES:

Kyle Daigle
Autotronics

Noah Gagne
Canteen 19



BATTLE OF THE BEARS

BRUINS ALUMNI ROSTER

Battle of the Bears • Team Roster

#	PLAYER	YEAR / AFFILIATION
1	Sean Connelly	Goalie
10	Ken Hodge	BC
11	Joe Mullen	BC
13	Ken Linseman	
16	Peter Douris	UNH
19	Lee Miller	Lincoln Police Chief
20	Kyle Milan	Old Town Fire Chief
21	Chris Luce	Holden Fire
22	Mike Halloran	Old Town Fire
27	Steve Leach	UNH
32	Bruce Crowder	UNH
34	Dave Shaw	
38	Jason Zent	Wisconsin
40	Bruce Shoebottom	
48	Graem Townsend	RPI
70	Patrick Mullen	University of Denver
	Tony Cabana	Sacred Heart College
	Alan Lerner	

COACH

Rick Middleton

HONORARY COACHES

Joe Hersom

Team EJ Prescott

Sean Hallee

Canteen 19





BATTLE OF THE BEARS

HOCKEY FOR HEALING, REMEMBRANCE, AND HOPE

SILENT AUCTION

BID ★ SUPPORT ★ MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Amazing Items for a Greater Cause



COMMUNITY | COURAGE | COMPASSION | STRONGER TOGETHER

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Wednesday Feature: Belfast Fire & Rescue



Today we're shining the spotlight on this impres... See more



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Team E.J. Prescott



WATER • WASTEWATER • STORMWATER
SOLUTIONS

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Thank you for your support!



AUTHORIZED DEALER



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INSURANCE BENEFITS BONDS FINANCIAL



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Darlings



Bangor Savings Bank



T Raye Trucking



United Realty



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FACE-OFF SPONSORS

Thank you for your support!



Maine Fire Protection



Versant Power



Unity Area Rotary Club



Unity Area Rotary Club - Maine - USA

Non-profit organization to support local and international projects. We meet every Thursday at 4:30pm at the Stonetree Farm and Cidery located on the Albion Road in Unity. All are welcome.



*Proud to Support
Our First Responders
and Our Community!*



**TOGETHER
WE MAKE A
DIFFERENCE**



COMMUNITY PARTNERS & DONORS

With Gratitude for Service, Generosity & Community

The Battle of the Bears gratefully recognizes the individuals, organizations and community partners whose generosity and support help make this event possible.

FIREFIGHTERS CLUB

Dean Andrews
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Karen Milihram
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Karen Varney

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Holden-Eddington Fire Department

STANLEY CUP CLUB

Roland Littlefield
L. William and Marie DeMasso

COMMUNITY PARTNERS

Organizations & Businesses Who Stood With Us

Canteen 19 — Kristian Joliat and Volunteers
Old Town Rotary Volunteers
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University of Maine
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Hilton Garden Inn Bangor
FireHouse Subs Bangor
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Old Town Fire
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WABI 5
Maine State Police Pipe Band
Ashley Stokes Jiffy Print
Pure Hockey
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Unified Special Hockey of Maine Volunteers
Unity Rotary Volunteers
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University of Maine Mens and Womens Hockey
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UVAC
Bangor Fire Department Honor Guard
Josiah Dyer FM 106.5
Valerie Grant Logo Motion
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Huber
Liberty Area Businesses

*Your partnership, generosity and willingness to serve strengthened this event and the community
it was created to support.*

VOLUNTEERS & SPECIAL THANKS

Recognizing the People Behind the Event

Kenny and Brook Browning
TJ Caldwell
Ken Clements
Ryan Davis
Brett and Shelby Franks Bakery
Simon French
Carrian and Luke Gagne
Lisa Gillespie
Bill Gillespie
Chief Higgins
Jason Hoyt
Patty and Mike Halle
Emily Treat and Olivia Hanlon
Firefighter Mike Halloran
Kristian Joliat
Melody and Philip Joliat
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Annie Grant
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Chief Lee Miller

WITH SINCERE APPRECIATION

To every donor, volunteer, first responder, business, organization, family member and friend who gave time, resources, encouragement or assistance: thank you. Your contributions reflect the spirit of service, compassion and community at the heart of the Battle of the Bears.

With gratitude, we honor all who helped make this gathering possible.

ADDITIONAL RECOGNITION

BATTLE OF THE BEARS

SPECIAL THANKS

To Everyone Who Made This Possible

With sincere gratitude to Alford Arena and event staff; participating Alumni players and coaches; the Maine State Police Pipe Band and Honor Guard; Waldo County Firefighters Association; Canteen 19 volunteers; Unified Special Hockey of Maine athletes, families and volunteers; participating fire, EMS, law-enforcement and emergency-management agencies; event volunteers; sponsors; donors; and every member of the community who helped carry this mission forward.

Most importantly, thank you to our first responders, mill employees, survivors and their families.

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HOCKEY FOR HEALING, REMEMBRANCE & COMMUNITY

Thank you for being part of the Battle.



HOCKEY BRINGS US TOGETHER

COMMUNITY | COURAGE | COMPASSION | HOPE

In times of tragedy, our communities show what they are truly made of — strength, compassion, and an unwavering commitment to one another. The Battle of the Bears is more than a hockey game. It is a tribute, a thank you, and a promise to never forget.

We come together to honor the fallen, support the injured, stand with first responders and mill employees, and help build a brighter tomorrow for those who continue to heal.

DIFFERENT JERSEYS. THE SAME PURPOSE.

People. Community. Always.

HONOR
SUPPORT
HEAL
INSPIRE



— SAME ICE. STRONGER TOGETHER. —