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TCMHS Welcomes New Board Members, Names Officers

AUBURN, LEWISTON, BRIDGTON, OXFORD, FARMINGTON, RUMFORD, ME: Tri-County Mental Health Services is pleased to welcome Mary Ellen Davis of Lewiston, William (Bill) Lundy of Hiram, and Elaine Jacques of Auburn to its Board of Directors.

Mary Ellen has been an advocate for mental health services for years, and brings a strong consumer voice to the board. She also uses her extraordinary singing voice to support the agency's services and efforts to reduce stigma at the annual Inspired Voices Benefit Concert held in June. "As a consumer I know how much the services of TCMHS are needed by our communities. Through my involvement with Inspired Voices I've learned how passionate the employees are about their mission," she says.

Bill Lundy is a Clinical Assistant at the Bridgton Hospital Physician's Group, one of the agency's eight medical partner sites working to bring the care of the body and mind back together through Integrated Primary Care. "I attended the first dinner meeting of TCMHS & Bridgton Hospital's project and became hooked on the enthusiasm and commitment to compassionate care," he says, adding that he is energized to advance that program and help raise support and awareness in the Bridgton area.

Elaine Jacques is retired from a long career as co-owner of a retail pharmacy and medical supply business in northern Maine. She brings experience with financial systems and the voice of a family member and advocate to the board.

The 2010-2011 Board of Directors was elected at the Annual Meeting in October. They are: President: Peter Letourneau, Auburn; Immediate Past President: Dan Moreno, Auburn; First Vice President: N. Paul Gauvreau, Lewiston; Second Vice President: John Geismar, Minot; Third Vice President: Deborah Simpson, Auburn; Treasurer: Chris DeMerchant, Turner; Secretary: Jolene Lovejoy, Rumford; Clerk: Chris Copeland, Peru; Mary Ellen Davis, Lewiston

Elaine Jacques, Auburn; Roberta Lane, Auburn; Richard Lumb, Wilton; William Lundy, Hiram; Melinda Mackenzie, Lewiston.

Tri-County Mental Health Services is Maine's most comprehensive agency dealing with the psychological and social well-being of children, adults, and elders, serving more than 11,000 people each year. In 2011 the agency marks its 60th year of providing innovative programs and services addressing mental health, substance abuse, mental retardation/developmental disabilities, autism, and more. Its philosophy of building toward recovery and sensitivity to traumatic experiences of consumers gives hope to individuals, families, and communities in Androscoggin, Northern Cumberland, Franklin, Oxford and York counties.

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