

## New Year - New Adventures

We wish everyone a happy new year filled with new and exciting adventures. While we are all looking forward to 2018 we want to take a moment to reflect on the past year's projects, on new relationships developed and to thank everyone who has trusted us with their important project.

This past holiday season **L.L. Bean** again transformed its Discovery Park into a forest of lighted trees including a [reindeer barn](#), built by our company, and cozy warming hut displaying many of the stylish home and quality camping products they offer. The annual Northern Lights Celebration is an event eagerly anticipated by visitors to Freeport and by all of us who live here.



In October 2017 **Wolfe's Neck Center for Agriculture & the Environment** announced a new and expanded mission as a key leader in sustainable farming and education. The public ceremony took place in the farm's Pote Barn which was fully restored by our company last summer. [Visit our website](#) for photos of the barn restoration project and read more about the organization's energized future [here](#).

An appreciation for fine craftsmanship and adding that little extra to each project drives our success as a company; our attention to quality and the desire to do a job well for its own sake honestly reflects our company's philosophy. The secret of success takes many forms but for us it's a simple formula of quality people doing quality work. [Send me a note](#) if you have a new project on your list of adventures in 2018!



## Design Services

We are more than just builders

Most of our projects begin with our in-house design department. Listening, taking the time to find out what is important, evaluating the site and having construction expertise in-house lends

itself to an efficient design process and smooth transition to construction. Our

design team works together with you to thoughtfully bring your ideas to reality. Every project we do is different and we have the talent and creativity to develop any design aesthetic for our clients. [Let us be your first stop as you begin planning your new home or barn.](#)

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## Project Spotlight

The Douglas fir timber frame barn we designed and built along the shore in northern Massachusetts perfectly complemented the owner's oceanside estate. The first level is used for storage and woodworking with the second level ready for future living space. Visit our [website](#) to see more photos of this remarkable barn.



## Tip - What is a Hybrid Home?

Well-known for our beautiful timber frames, we understand and expect that not all prospective clients desire a full timber frame structure, but instead prefer a combination of elements in their new home. We often refer to these structures as Hybrids. Hybrids are a combination of conventional construction with some timber frame or timber accents incorporated into the home's

design, often in the great room or master bedroom for maximum impact.

Generally, hybrids ease the budget compared to a full timber frame home and allow for greater flexibility in merging a variety of architectural styles. For more pictures of this hybrid home [visit our website.](#)

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## See What We've Been Up To...

### MBHH - Island Life

<https://maineboats.com/print/issue-147/island-life>

### MH+D - Not In Kansas Anymore

<https://mainehomedesign.com/features/not-kansas-anymore/>

### MH+D - Down by the River

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## 24' x 28' Pre-cut Weathered Timber Frame Available

Visit our shop in Freeport Maine to view the current 24' x 28' display frame available. The weathered frame, based on the [Maquoit Signature Series](#) frame, will be dismantled by our experienced crew, transported to your property within 50 miles of Freeport and raised by us on your prepared foundation - ready for finishing!

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