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THE WEEKLY QUESTION

Reported in Bangor

"What's your favorite Thanksgiving dish?"



"Oyster stuffing."
STU C., DIXMONT



"That Ocean Spray cranberry sauce. It's just so good."
JOHN BENCH, VEAZIE



"My mom's pumpkin bread."
ERIN STURGEON, OLD TOWN



"I make squash with butter, milk and maple syrup."
PATRICIA MARTIN, BANGOR



"The turkey. But that's probably because I raise turkeys at Martin Kilby Farm."
JUSTIN JAMISON, BANGOR



"My mom's stuffing and gravy."
JOHN QUESNEL, HAMPDEN

Eco-friendly Habitat for Humanity house features personal touches

BY JODI HERSEY
SPECIAL TO THE WEEKLY

This Thanksgiving will be an extra special one for Amanda and Shawn Umble of Bangor. The couple and their three young children just settled into their brand-new Bangor home, built by them and by a small army of hard-working volunteers for Habitat for Humanity of Greater Bangor.

For the past four months, hundreds of volunteers have donated their time and talents to help construct, design and paint and make ready the Umble's 1200 square foot,

single story abode so the family could celebrate the holiday and eat Thanksgiving dinner under their new roof.

"There's been about 210 volunteers working on the house off and on including the Umbles themselves," said Lin Lufkin, site manager for the construction of the Umble's home and a longtime Habitat volunteer. "Part of the agreement with the potential owners is they had to contribute 500 hours of their own time building the house and they've been great to work with."

The Umble home is the fourth Habitat for Human-

ity home Lufkin has helped build. But unlike his previous builds, this home is equipped with a \$12,000 system of solar panels donated by ReVision Energy in Liberty. Additionally, Emera Maine has donated a heat pump to help keep the home cozy, warm and energy efficient all year round. The combined impact of the solar panels and heat pump will save the family hundreds, if not thousands of dollars per year in energy costs.

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Volunteers with Habitat for Humanity of Greater Bangor helped earlier this year to raise the walls of the latest home built by the organization. The house features a number of eco-friendly elements, including solar panels and a heat pump, and was partially decorated by John Bapst junior Kristian Baber. Amanda and Shawn Umble have just moved into the house in time for Thanksgiving.

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