

KENNETH MERWIN CURTIS, Governor of the State of Maine and softball player par excellence. A native of Curtis Corner and a graduate of the Maine Maritime Academy and the Portland University Law School, he has devoted his life to the service of the people of this state. As Maine Secretary of State and as two-term Governor, he has labored to make State government more efficient and more responsive to the needs of the citizens. In many ways, he epitomizes the American Dream. Coming from a humble background, he has done much because of the combination of his motivation, drive, and insight, with the opportunities provided by the American system. The accomplishments of his administration as Governor are many, including landmark environmental legislation, tax reform, significant social legislation and governmental reorganization affecting eighty-five percent of the administrative agencies of the State. From the standpoint of a college, one particular area of his concern stands out, his important efforts on behalf of education. At a time when educational institutions have been under attack, he has been an active and strong supporter of education both in the private colleges and in the State system which he has done much to foster. A tireless worker, a man of modesty and integrity, he honors Bowdoin by becoming an honorary alumnus.

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