

Growth Rings 2018-19

REAL LOG HOMES*

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As we leave 2018 behind, we enter into 2019 with new hopes and many dreams. Much of 2018 was navigating through uncharted waters with monster forest fires, volcanic eruptions, earthquakes, tsunamis, scandals, trade disputes, shutdowns, elections, new Supreme Court Justices, families looking for a more secure future, and the search for "truth". There is plenty of need to be addressed.

Across from Hunt's Hollow Ski Area just north of Naples, John and Jamie Ketz found a small hill farm that resembles a New England farmstead complete

with stone fences, deep stream gorges and waterfalls. We took the standard 28 ft. X 36 ft.



Augusta floor plan - 1554 sq. ft. and modified it to look like an Adirondack Camp. The great room and master bedroom suite are downstairs, and there are two bedrooms, a bath, and loft located upstairs.



Real Log Homes Pre-cut 10" Swedish Cope logs were used. We added more glass to face southwest, screened side porches, gabled a second story porch, and added more sliders. This custom

Real Log Home was built on a 9 ft Superior Wall; adding to the living space.

We took



delivery of the Superior Wall on March 6, 2017 and the Real Log Home package on March 28, 2017. The build went extremely easy, and much care was taken as the process of assembly occurred. Stone facings were added and a raised seam metal roof. The interior finishing was a classic and will keep many of the family's past memories alive. The decks and porches allow much viewing of the

natural wildlife and eagles soaring. This is truly a one of a kind home and made the 2019 Real Log Home Calendar.

David Hand and Karen Smart took delivery of



their 8 ft. Superior Wall Foundation in East Palmyra, NY on September 5, 2018. Their **Custom Real Log** Home package was

snowy November 8. 2018. The site is some of David's "old stomping ground" so the area holds many memories of days gone by.



David and Karen contracted the custom 28'X 36' cape and added a master bedroom wing off the back. The great room will have an abundance of



light from full gable glass, dining room bay window and a sliding door facing east. There is an additional bedroom on the first floor and a large office/den in the loft. Skylights were placed to act as sky windows giving view to the surrounding area. Now that the shell is up, the mechanicals,

trimming, kitchen, and floor coverings can be added over the winter.

Joe and Mona Wales built their first Real Log Home in 1998. It was a popular Plymouth B with a Cavendish extension. Joe and friends raised the

structure and have loved every minute. Now, it is time to downsize and Joe and Mona designed a ranch to be built in the spring of 2019 in North delivered on a cold Collins, NY. Again, Joe and friends will polish





up on their old talents and "get er' done".

East of Ithaca in the Town of Caroline, Cornell





Professor Todd Schmitt and Cornell Professor Elad Tako will build a 1962 sq ft. enlarged version of the Ketz's plan and add a garage. A Superior Wall Walkout Foundation will add another 1,357 sq

ft of living space.

A Beautiful Place, our rental outside Penn Yan had another spruce up - adding a new Pella door and windows, a wider

driveway, log headboards. appliances, and future decks. We continue to share it with many who just enjoy each other, their pets, and



the area. www.abeautifulplace.us

As we add another "Growth Ring" to our "Tree of Life", it is without Jean marked by her passing on December 29, 2017. She is a "special lady", but you

all knew that. I will always hold a place in my heart for her. She wanted me to continue, "to live life to the fullest" so knowing the Good Lord has a Plan for 2019, let's go! Wishing You Many Blessings for 2019!



Shalom, Ed



"A Beautiful Place" Rental located just off Keuka Lake, 2 miles south of Penn Yan. **Great Weekend!**