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A SPECIAL YOUNG LADY

6-year old Gracie has a heart as big as her smile. Last Sunday, she had a party to celebrate her birthday and in lieu of gifts for herself she asked all of her friends to bring an item for the animal shelter. Boy Oh Boy! Did she get some great stuff! Nothing makes a child's birthday extra special like a 20-pound bag of kitty litter.

In the first photo, Gracie and her little brother are showing Oscar some of the nice things they brought for him and the other residents at the shelter. Gracie, in the second photo, is standing in front of a huge pile that represents some of the wonderful things she donated. We had a wonderful time showing her and her family around, and we are so appreciative of everything she did for P.A.W.S. What a special little girl Gracie is! Julie and I can't wait until she's old enough to volunteer at the shelter!

Preschool Story Time

Monday, December 6
At the Milo Free Public Library
1:30-2:30 p.m.
All Preschoolers are welcome
Melissa Hill, Director



The Three Rivers Kiwanis Club of Milo & Brownville will be serving as a clearinghouse for Santa's Helpers again this year.

Donations may be made at: Maine Savings Federal Credit Union, Park St., Milo ME 04463



In an effort to minimize duplication, we ask that other organizations inform the Kiwanis if they have adopted a child or family for Secret Santa. Please contact Murrel Harris at 943-7326.

Christmas Craft Fair

The Brownville Jct., American Legion Auxiliary will hold its annual Christmas Craft Fair on Saturday, Dec 4, from 9:00 to 1:00 at the Legion Hall at 75 Railroad Ave. There will be crafts, a baked goods table, a table for children to shop and raffle items. Lunch will be available from 11:00 to 1:00. Santa will be arriving at 11:00 and will have pictures taken with children from 11:00 to 12:30.



FROM MATT IN MALI

Attached is a photo of me with my family and some friends. It was taken on Nov. 14, which was the last day of the Ramadan festival. I really like how it came out. In the back row, fourth from the left is one of my host mom's, Malado. She always joked around with me and really kept me happy....a really amazing woman. To the left of her is one of my sisters, Mam...very pretty girl, 18 years old, and lives in Bamako. To the left of her is Aissita Diallo, my aunt. To the right of me is Seygou...he wasn't in the family but we became good friends after I learned that he spoke some English. In front of him with the yellow dress is Camisa...14 years old and very smart.

Standing to the left of me with the tattoo under her mouth is Nantene...she just had a baby not too long ago. Most of the kids in the picture are from my family....I really love them a lot. They brightened up my day every single day, especially after really long days when I was exhausted. I hope that you all enjoy the photo...I am emailing my mom several more and you can get them from her.

All is well in this part of the world...tomorrow we are having a big Thanksgiving dinner at Tubani So, watching an Atlanta Falcons game that was sent here (week 6 or 7), and having a volleyball tournament. I am on the injured reserve after

skinning my big toe a couple of days ago, so it is going to be a game time decision.

Last night we had a talent show with all of the stagiers and the volunteers that came in 6 months ago. It was so much fun. There were a few dance routines, some poetry reading, and a few funny stories told. My good friend Chris, who is from the Outer Banks in North Carolina, and I put on the 'Who's on First' skit--Abbott and Costello. We really nailed it and everyone went crazy...it was a lot of fun and people told us that it was the best skit of the show. Good times.

I guess I can tell you about some of the work that I did while in my home stay village. Everyday, we had at least 2 hours of language training and usually in the afternoon we had sector-specific 'free time' to assess some of the needs of the community. I spent a lot of time with a women's association...just attending their meetings and taking notes. Many of the health volunteers were there as well and we ended up doing a formation together. The health volunteers showed the women how to make soap. My



friend Brett and I showed the women how to calculate their expenses when making the soap and how to cover their expenses by selling the soap at a sufficient price, and also by making the soap at different times of the year when the butter that is used to make the soap isn't as expensive.

Additionally, I explained to them how to package their soap, label it with the name of the association, and stressed the importance of dealing with local boutique owners to get the soap out into different parts of the community.

Another project that I worked on was dealing with the local caisse (bank) and evaluating their current practices and the information that they had regarding their current clientele. When we gave the manager of the caisse a presentation, we showed her how to compile all of the data that she had of the members of the caisse to determine what types of people were saving their money. It was pretty simple methods--basic histograms and flip charts--but it really seemed to hit home with her and should definitely simplify her methods. We then went on and explained to her that once she had a good idea of who her clients are, she can tailor her marketing efforts accordingly...which here is very important because for example the literacy rate for women is very, very low... therefore if you are going to try to advertise and market to women, you need to do so without using fliers with a lot of information...word of mouth and demonstrations are much more effective. Both of the formations that we held I thought were very successful.

Well, that is all for now I suppose...I need to get the rest of my pictures sent and check some Dwyane Wade statistics. Again, I hope that you all have a great Thanksgiving. Take care. Peace and Love, Matt

Editor's note: I received this e-mail from Matt's Mom, Mary Jean, on Thanksgiving.

Just a quick note to tell you that we talked to Matthew this morning. What a treat! When the volunteers are in a place with a phone, one makes contact with their family via email and sets up a time for them to call - then he or she gives their family a volunteer's family's phone number to call and let them know that the phone is available and to call them. Our phone line kept being

cut off because the electricity kept going out. I just kept calling him back, sometimes got a French operator! Made for an interesting morning. We use Sam's calling card and it costs us about 9 cents a minute, talked about 45 minutes.

He said that he emailed you that he had received the package you sent. Glitter!!! Didn't he enjoy that? Said that he and his roommate are sparkly!

Something interesting: I asked him where he will be living once he gets to his site on Sunday. He said that they were building him a mud hut with a thatch roof. I asked about his food. He said that he will be eating with a family - "men don't cook"! Actually he says that men don't do much, they do work in the fields but spend a good part of the day in the shade drinking tea (I didn't ask what kind of tea, will put that on my list for next time). The women do all the work. He said that when he was living with his host family, as soon as one of the women saw that he was up, they would get his pail, fill it with water and take it to the latrine for him to wash up. They cleaned his hut and would carry a chair for him to sit on; men don't sit on the ground. They also did all his laundry. The female volunteers don't fare as well; they are treated well but have to do their own laundry!

Another bit of info - Kayes is pronounced KI - long I.

He really sounded good. He has been asked to coach the youth in basketball at his new site. We sent a basketball out yesterday. Dick Whitmore from Colby sent a box of t-shirts.

BASKETBALL CLINIC

TO BE HELD AT
THE BROWNVILLE ELEMENTARY
GYM

SATURDAY, DEC. 4TH FROM
12 NOON - 3PM

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TEAM AND ALUMNI

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MEALS FOR ME. MENU

TUES., NOV. 30	FISH STICKS, MASHED POTATO, SQUASH, ICE BOX PUDDING
WED., DEC. 1	BAKED HAM, FRUIT SAUCE, SWEET POTATO/APPLE BAKE, BROCCOLI, CUSTARD
THUR., DEC. 2	CORN CHOWDER, HOT DOG ON A ROLL, SLICED TOMATOES, BROWNIE
FRI., DEC. 3	PEPPER STEAK, BAKED POTATO, BROCCOLI, ORANGE
MON. DEC. 6	SEAFOOD CASSEROLE, PEAS, CARROT RAISIN SALAD, FRUIT COCKTAIL

ANYONE 60 OR OVER IS INVITED TO ATTEND OUR MEALS. WE MEET AT THE MILO TOWN HALL DINING ROOM ON MONDAYS AND THURSDAYS AT 11:45 AM AND AT THE QUARRY PINES COMMUNITY ROOM ON FRIDAYS AT 11:45 AM.

PLEASE MAKE PLANS TO ATTEND!

FOR RESERVATIONS CALL 943-2488.

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THE MILO AMERICAN LEGION POST 41 HAS BINGO EVERY FRIDAY NIGHT
A MEAL IS SERVED FROM 5:00PM UNTIL 6:15 PM
BINGO STARTS AT 6:15 AND ENDS AT 9:30
SEE YOU THERE!

<http://www.trcmaine.org/webcam/>
Webcam is located at
Trask Insurance, 3 Main Street, Milo



Memories of a Brownville Junction Railroader

By Bill Sawtell

The Tom Wallace Era

Helen Cobb was not mentioned as one of those who prepared and sold hotdogs and soft drinks at the stand beside the hose reel house on the third base side of the Y diamond at the Junction in the 1950s during the Tom Wallace Era. I'm sorry about that.

This was the era of baseball, apple pie, and the American flag. We played for the love of the game at the drop of a hat. We even made our own fields, our own bases, and our own bats at times. We played with baseballs until all the cowhide was gone and the string was unraveling off them. If we lost a ball, we hunted in the bushes until we found it. Rain, wind, and snow didn't deter us.

Just when the bases got loaded, it seemed, Mother would holler, "Supper!" How agonizing. (I'd pay a million dollars to hear her voice today, however.)

There was often a fight to see who would pitch after teams were chosen up on a bat between two of the best or biggest players.

I sometimes got rides home with Mike Knox from the high school games. He usually told his mother the grades he got on his tests, which were usually pretty impressive. He finished second in his class to a non-college prep student (he was college prep). So I guess he was quite a role model to me. (I finished first in my class six years later.)

As previously mentioned, Mike was the best catcher to play for BJHS in the Tom Wallace Era, handling Tom Wallace, Tom Durant, Gary Chase, and Nelson Perry, and hitting a ton.

Sonny Cobb at shortstop and Jimmy Rosebush at second base formed a great double play combination up the middle, making it look easy to my seventh grade eyes anyway.

First baseman Steve Knox batted from the left side and always wore a bandanna. Steve came around to get us in his father's white Nash Rambler to play pickup games at the Y.

Tommy Durant threw as hard as anyone, once no hitting Dexter away, one out away from a perfect game. I remember Tom hitting a pinch-hit homer to left to help the Railroaders win one.

Carroll Conley preferred to coach first base and relied on his players to direct the traffic around third. Guilford's Nundi Romano coached third.

Brownville Trivia

By Bill Sawtell

Choose the best answer.

1. Ralph Perry came from (a) New York (b) Massachusetts (c) New Hampshire (d) New Brunswick.
2. Sam Cohen was a (n) (a) Frenchman (b) Irishman (c) Welshman (d) Jew.
3. (a) Francis Brown (b) Moses Brown (c) Isaac Wilkins (d) Park Holland built the Brownville dam.
4. The gristmill was (a) north (b) south (c) east (d) west of the first sawmill.
5. (a) Everett Gerrish (b) Dave Cota (c) Lyle Towne (d) Dave Barrett twice served as town manager.
6. Morris and Evans were (a) singers (b) dancers (c) lawyers (d) Welshmen.
7. The Elms House was on (a) Pleasant Street (b) Main Street (b) Church Street (d) School Street in the village.
8. Erin Weston was a (n) (a) pitcher (c) catcher (c) first baseman (d) shortstop.
9. (a) 1936 (b) 1957 (c) 1966 (d) 1987 was not a flood year.
10. Weddings were "awkward" in the (a) Catholic Church (b) Episcopal Church (c) Congregational Church (d) Brownville Junction Methodist Church.

Answers: 1-b 2-d 3-a 4-b 5-c 6-d 7-a 8-d 9-b 10-d .

BROWNVILLE TOWN NEWS

Submitted by Sophie Wilson

Back by popular demand...here's a list of important dates for Town events, meetings, and other interesting activities. For more information please do not hesitate to contact me.

Monday, November 29th

Public Hearing on the County Budget

Superior Courthouse, East Main Street, Dover-Foxcroft-7:00 P.M.

Tuesday, November 30th

CDBG Public Hearing on the

Joint Municipal Grant Application for Mayo Hospital (includes Brownville)-Milo Town Office-6:30 P.M.

Thursday, December 2nd - RSVP to Town Office Required

Tourism Attitudes Survey Forum

This is the follow-up by the University of Maine on the tourism and development attitudes assessment for Piscataquis County. Very important! Dinner provided!-Milo Town Hall-6:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M.

Monday, December 6th - RSVP Required

PCEDC Annual Meeting-Dover-Foxcroft-4:00 P.M.

Thursday, December 9th

Selectmen's Meeting-Brownville Town Office-6:30 P.M.

Monday, December 13th

Brownville Days Committee Meeting-Brownville Town Office-4:00 P.M.

Tuesday, December 14th

Brownville Tourism Committee Meeting-Alumni Building, Railroad Avenue-6:00 P.M.

Thursday, December 16th

Annual Municipal Budget Presentation to Selectmen & Budget Committee-Location TBA-6:00 P.M.

Friday, December 24th

Holiday - Office Closed

Friday, December 31st

Holiday - Office Closed

Monday, January 3rd

Office Closed to Walk-ins and Non-Emergencies-Staff closing the financial books

Saturday, December 1st, 2004 at 7:00pm :

†VOICES OF CHRISTMAS

at the

Brownville Jct. United

Methodist Church on

the corner of Front Street and Railroad Avenue in Brownville Jct

. †Come enjoy a musical evening of songs sung by the choir and with Congregational singing to celebrate the birth of our King. †All are welcome. †



AREA SCHOOL NEWS

Poems from 5th graders at Brownville Elementary:

Caitlyn laughs all day long
Then at the end she sings a song.
Stephanie makes no sense at all
When she plays she has a ball.
By Brittany

Dakota, a happy girl
Who feels good all the time
Who needs to stop talking
Who gives you attention when you need it
Who fears losing a friend
Who would like to go on a vacation.
By Taylor

Christmas Seems Joyful

Like a wonderful birthday party
I see streams of red, white, and green lights hanging off houses.
I hear families laughing and talking.
I smell my mother's great Christmas dinner cooking.
I touch beautiful red and gold wrapping paper.
I taste delicious frosting coated sugar cookies, fresh and warm.

By Stephanie

I Made a Mistake

I went to Petco to buy a dog

I made a mistake and got a log.
I went to the park and found a dog
I made a mistake and went through the bog.
I went to school to read a book
I made a mistake and sat on a hook.
I went to the store to buy a candy bar
I made a mistake and bought a car.
By Dakota

BROWNVILLE ELEMENTARY FOOD CUPBOARD HELPS OTHERS



Many food items have been collected by students at Brownville Elementary and some of the items are shown here.



Third graders at Brownville Elementary recently completed a wonderful Plymouth Colony display in their Social Studies class. Here Leah, Mickey, Cody and Nicole are pointing some of the facts about their re-creation.

The Milo District Schools

By Lloyd J. Treworgy- Continued Part XXXVI

And now the time has come to wind down the district school system its very end.

In 1917, the town voted to sell the Drake and the Holbrook schoolhouses. This was done. The town realized \$375 from the transaction Superintendent W. H. Sturtevant reported in 1921. Ransom Decker bought the Drake building. Mrs. Arthur Carey, remembers that four teams, including their own, moved the building to a point on the left side of West Main St., just beyond what is now the Mooers Road, not far from the residence of

Winnie Paddock, later Sam Brown's. The old schoolhouse stood there for years, at low rental, until it burned somewhere around 1950.

The Holbrook schoolhouse went to Albert Donahue, who later sold it to David McFarland, according to Maurice Richardson. A part of the old schoolhouse lingers in the living room of the residence of Morris Smart on, or near, the site where it stood long ago.

Four of the original district schoolhouses continued on until 1923. They were: The Stanchfield Ridge School, with 13 pupils as of that year; the Sargent Hill School, 11 pupils; the Tollbridge School, 20 pupils; and the Lovejoy School, 11 pupils.

In 1922, Superintendent Sturtevant said of them, in his report: "If you are going to maintain schools in your rural districts, you must make improvements in their toilets that will comply with state regulations by 1924."

A year later, Superintendent Foster L. Higgins spoke the last word on them.

"I think," he wrote, "we should do more for our rural schools. Every rural building in town is poorly lighted and ventilated. They are lighted from both sides, giving a cross light, which is the worst kind for study. They need jacketed heaters. And they need toilets connected with the schoolhouse."

In 1924 there was no mention of the district schools. Their era had passed, in Milo.

Meanwhile transportation of pupils had risen in numbers and in cost. By 1924 transportation costs reached \$3200.

And the schoolhouses themselves – what became of them?

True I have already mentioned: the primary, Holbrook and Drake Schoolhouses.

The disposition of five others we know:

Elmer Brown, grandfather of Edith Perry, purchased the old Tollbridge schoolhouse and altered it for a residence. Vernon and Edith Perry (Edith had formerly been one of the pupils there) lived in it for two years before going to Oakfield. Later the engineer who built the new Elm St. Bridge to supplant the old covered toll bridge, lived in it during the bridge construction. The old schoolhouse burned around 1930.

The Sargent Hill schoolhouse was sold to Frank McCormick as remembered by Maurice Richardson. Mr. McCormick altered it for residential use at its original site. It burned sometime in the 1950's, its occupants barely escaping with their lives.

The old Lovejoy schoolhouse near the Brockway dairy farm, on the Medford road, was moved to Stoddard Hill where my informant tells me it is still in use, much altered, a little beyond the top of Stoddard Hill and on the left.

The Derby schoolhouse missed by a few months being turned over to Basketville in 1976. Just before the Basketville venture came to Milo the Derby schoolhouse was transferred to Stephen Webb to be torn down for its lumber. This was completed a few months before this story was in preparation.

The Stanchfield Ridge schoolhouse was sold and torn down sometime after 1923. Who purchased the building and what he used the lumber for, I didn't learn.

The fate of two of the schoolhouses remains lost in the haze of oblivion; the Hobbstown and the Murray (back Brownville road) schoolhouses. Did they linger on a while, "with staring windows and doors a sag", until age had worked its will on them and time had returned them in decay to the earth? Or did they burst forth into a sudden surge of light and heat – heat more intense, for a few minutes than their run down stoves had ever given them during their years of use?

Traditions of a Milo-ite

By Kathy Witham

The effect of the chemical in turkey that makes you sleepy has kicked in at my house. There are men

sleeping everywhere in my living room. That's fine with me. It wouldn't be fine if the dishes weren't done...but they are. Every speck of food is refrigerated and the dining room is back to rights. The dishwasher is humming away with the last load of dishes and even though I'm suffering from distended stomach....all's well with the world. We had my daughter's family for dinner and Tom's family will be here later tonight to stay for the weekend. We'll have lots of help with the rest of our Thanksgiving weekend traditions.

I didn't make a Pumpkin Pie this year. I know.... how odd was that? My dear friend Cheryl Hamlin made us her traditional Buttermilk Pie. It was a huge hit. Betsey Bessey gave a coupon for a chocolate cream pie to be made whenever the purchaser wanted it at a recent food sale. I bought the coupon and I wanted it for Thanksgiving!!! Yum. Not to be outdone by the Barefoot Contessa or Rachel Ray or Paula Deane, I made a sweet potato pie, as well. My friend Louise Rhoda delivered a luscious loaf of pumpkin bread and we were good to go.

My husband declared in the middle of dinner that this was the best dinner that we had ever prepared. Thirty-five years of preparing Thanksgiving dinner for my parents.... now that they are both gone....I prepare the best one yet. Doesn't that just figure. The turkey was succulent and the stuffing was particularly good. The vegetables were all done on time and seasoned to perfection. The salads (that I prepared the day before) were very nice, too. It was our first Thanksgiving in our new dining room, with plenty of room for every one to sit around the table and plenty of room on the table for all of the food. All in all I'll have to agree with my husband...I'd rank it a total success.

My office is finally coming together with the addition of a full set of filing drawers that we purchased this week. I still have a ton of sorting and throwing and organizing to do, but I can definitely see the end in sight. It will take me all of the month of December and most of the month of January to get it all accomplished because the village goes up in here beginning tomorrow. I'm just going to stash things out of sight for the time being...and I'll try to forget about it. It remains to be seen if I'll be able to do that. I still have to write...and I still need to get at my recipes...and with any luck I'll not let the disorganization bother me too much.

Have you thought about whom you can help this Christmas? If you would like to help a child you can contact Murrel Harris at the Town Office or you could get in touch with my cousin Janet Richards. She, along with Murrel, will be coordinating the Santa efforts in town this year. I'm sure they would be glad to give you the information you would need to help make a little child very happy this Christmas. If you would like to help a whole family, that would be even better. One year my whole Horne family (who live here in Milo) picked a needy family and made a wonderful Christmas for them....food and gifts. It was so rewarding and so much fun.

If you know of an elderly or even a young person who doesn't have a family around to make them feel special, why not adopt him or her and make a special Christmas for them. Accompany them to church, make some special treats for them, help them put up a few decorations, and give them a nice little gift to open. It will



add to your own Christmas joy to make someone else happy. Invite them to your family's Christmas dinner. If they can't get out, or if they would be confused by a raucous family celebration, why not fix them a nice plate and deliver it. If you sat and visited while they enjoyed their meal, that would be nice too. Bless their hearts....imagine being lonesome at Christmas. I couldn't bear to think of my parents being alone or lonesome on a holiday.

There are so many things that we all could do to make this a happy season for people instead of the depressing time that it often is. When I was growing up and then a young mother myself, it never occurred to me that anyone would be sad or depressed at Christmastime. As I've aged, and been faced with sadness, I can see how it happens.

Here's a delightful dessert that is a little different twist on your traditional Pumpkin Pie...it's called **Pumpkin Pie Dessert**. You need to make this ahead because it needs to chill at least 3 hours before serving.

- 2-1/4 cups crushed Ritz crackers (about 50)
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 3/4 cup butter or margarine, melted
- 2 cups cold milk
- 2 packages (3.4 oz. each) instant vanilla pudding
- 1 can (15 oz.) solid pack pumpkin
- 1 tsp pumpkin pie spice - **or**
- 1/2 tsp. ground cinnamon
- 1/4 tsp. ground ginger
- 1/4 tsp. ground nutmeg

Cool Whip or real whipped cream and a few chopped pecans or walnuts for garnish when you are ready to serve.

In a bowl, combine the cracker crumbs, sugar and butter. Press into a greased 13X9X2 inch-baking dish; set aside. In another bowl whisk the milk and pudding mixes for 2 minutes. Stir in the pumpkin and the spices. Spread over the crust. Refrigerate for 3 hours or until set. Garnish each piece with a dollop of whipped cream and a sprinkle of chopped nuts. Easy and delicious.

IN MEMORIAM

REX LINDSAY VARNUM

SEBEC and WILLIAMSBURG, N.M. - Rex Lindsay Varnum, 85, died at his home in Williamsburg, N.M., Nov. 25, 2004. He was born April 26, 1919, in Carol, the son of Marion Esther Lindsay and Lindsay Varnum. He attended Lee Academy and was a graduate of Milo High School. Rex and his wife, Beatrice started a dairy farm on the River Road in Sebec in 1943, and continued in that business until their retirement to New Mexico in 1970, where they spent their winter months. Rex was a member of the Maine Milk Commission for 16 years and also served as chairman of that body. He was pleased to be a winner of the New England Pastures Award and recognized as a Maine Outstanding Farmer. He was a selectman of the town of Sebec for many years and always retained a great regard for that place as well as his beloved River Road. Rex and Bea enjoyed their membership in the "Spit 'n Whittle Club" in New Mexico and their many friends there. Rex was predeceased by his wife of 58 years, Helen Beatrice Hill in 1999. He is survived by his wife, Josephine (Guernsey) Varnum of Williamsburg, N.M.; two daughters, Dorna Varnum Zilinsky and her husband, Tom, of Sanford; Diane Varnum Smith of Old Town; three sons, Robert Varnum and his wife, Ruth, of Sebec, Richard Varnum and his wife, Rinda, of Sebec, Ryan Varnum and his wife, Lin, of Hopeland, Calif.; 13 grandchildren, and 16 great-grandchildren. Friends are invited to call from 11:30 a.m. until time of funeral service at 1 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 1, 2004, at the Lary Funeral Home, Dover-Foxcroft. Burial will be in the family lot in Rural Grove Cemetery

LEVI A. PAGE

BROWNVILLE - Levi A. Page, 84, husband of Ruth (Orff) Page, died Nov. 25, 2004, at an Ellsworth nursing home. He was born May 20, 1920, in Brownville, the son of Edwin S. and Elizabeth (Greene) Page. A graduate of Brownville High School, he had been a Maine Game Warden and had worked for the Town of Brownville. Mr. Page also had been employed by the C-P Railroad, retiring in 1982. He was a member of the Pleasant River Lodge No. 163 AF & AM, and the Brownville Community Church, and he had served as secretary/treasurer for the Brownville Water District. He is survived by a son, Gary and his wife, Debora, of Milo; a daughter, Linda Cote and her husband, Donald, of Mount Desert; four grandchildren, three great-grandchildren, several nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by an infant daughter, Carla, and nine brothers and sisters. Friends are invited to call 6-8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 3, 2004, with Masonic services said at 7 p.m., at the Lary Funeral Home, Milo, where memorial services will be conducted 11 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 4, with the Rev. Rudy Homchuck officiating. A time of fellowship and refreshment will immediately follow at the United Baptist Church of Milo.

RONALD N. WHITE SR.

MILO and WINSLOW - Ronald N. White Sr., 56, formerly of Milo and Old Town, passed away peacefully Nov. 23, 2004, at his home with his family beside him, after a brief illness with cancer. He was born April 2, 1948, in Milo, the son of Orris and Marion (Howard) White. He leaves his loving wife and companion of 22 years, Cindy (McGee) White of Winslow; three sons, Ronald White of Levant, Scott White and David White, both of Milford; a stepson, Keith Jolly of Ocean Springs, Miss.; three daughters, Lisa Boyington of Milford, Michelle Rogerson and Amanda Young, both of Old Town; a special stepdaughter, Christine McGee of Winslow; his mother, Marion Rhoda of Brownville; a brother, Richard White of Brownville; a special sister, Frances Douglas of Brownville Junction; a sister, Sharon Perdue of Brooksville; 13 grandchildren, including a special grandson, Gage Bouchard; one special niece, Maureen Weiss of Brownville Junction; and several nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by a brother, David White; his father, Orris White, and his stepfather, Frederick Rhoda. Burial will be in the family lot in Evergreen Cemetery. Those who wish may make memorial contributions to Maine General Medical Center, Cancer Unit, 149 North St., Waterville, ME 04901, or to Health Reach Hospice, 212 Main St., Waterville, ME 04901

**M.S.A.D. #41
School Lunch Menu
December 2004**

29-Fishburger, mashed potato, corn, fruit, with milk and fruit every day.
30-Penquis Special (sausage, egg, & cheese) on a school-made bun, potato log, and cukes.
1-Shepherd's pie, carrots, and dinner roll.
2-Tomato soup, crackers, grilled cheese sand., and celery sticks.
3-Juice, breadsticks, sauce/cheese, green beans, and birthday cake.
6-Hamburger, French fries, and Cole slaw.
7-Pizza, salad, fruit, and cookie.
8-Corn chowder, egg sand., crackers, and California blend vogs.
9-Popcorn chicken, mashed potato, creamed corn, and

dinner roll.
10-Taco, lettuce/tomato, and cinnamon bun.
13-Chicken burger, stir fry, and rice pilaf.
14-Chili, tossed salad, and corn bread.
15-Super sandwich, potato wedge, and peas.
16- Christmas Dinner -Baked ham, glazed carrots, mashed potato, 3-bean salad, and sugar cookie.
17-Hot dog/bun, hash brown, and spinach.
20-Chop suey, green beans, and garlic bread.
21-Chicken nuggets, mashed potato, broccoli, and maple roll.
22-Juice, quesadilla pizza, assorted vegs., and desserts.

Breakfast Menu

Monday-Gogurt and teddy grahams with juice and milk every day.
Tuesday-Bagel and lo fat cream cheese.
Wednesday-French toast sticks.
Thursday-Cheese stick and muffin.
Friday-Super bun.

BOOKS AND MORE BOOKS!

A holiday book fair is being held in the MSAD #41 Information Center, located in the Penquis Valley Library in Milo. This book fair features regular priced paperbacks from Scholastic Books. Pre-read books weeded from the library are on sale for ten cents each. The fair runs December 8 through December 14. The hours are 8 am to 6 pm on Wednesday, 8 am to 3 pm on Thursday and Monday and 8 am to 8 pm on Friday and Tuesday.

Do your holiday shopping for the Middle and High School students.

THREE RIVERS KIWANIS NEWS



CHILDREN: PRIORITY ONE

The Three Rivers Kiwanis Club meets at The Restaurant each Wednesday morning at 6:30 to eat breakfast, enjoy fellowship, hear speakers on various interesting topics, and to share ideas. All are welcome to visit with us. If you would like to join our organization, please contact Dorothy Brown or any other Kiwanian for an application. We are involved in many worthwhile local projects and would be very pleased to have you participate in them.

NOVEMBER 24, 2004 MEETING MINUTES

President Murrel Harris greeted twenty Kiwanis members this morning. Eben led the Flag salute. Edwin Treworgy led us in prayer being ever so grateful for our many blessings this Thanksgiving week.

Don Harris Read an inspirational message called "The Hand", author unknown. A Thanksgiving editorial in the newspaper told of a first grade teacher who has asked her students to draw a picture of something that they were thankful for, as many of these students were poor children

from poor neighborhoods, she fully expected each child to draw a picture of a table with turkeys and other foods. One little boy, Douglas, had drawn a childish drawing of a hand. The teacher asked him "whose hand is this?" "It's your hand, teacher", he mumbled. The teacher recalled that she had frequently taken the scrubby forlorn little boy by the hand. She often did this with the children. But it meant so much more to Douglas. Perhaps this was everyone's Thanksgiving, not for the material things given to us but for the chance, in whatever small way, to give to others.

Correspondence was the Orono/Old Town Newsletter that was passed for all to read.

Birthdays and anniversaries noted were A.J. Gahagan's birthday on November 25. Happy Anniversary to our own Lt. Governor and wife Eben and Joanne DeWitt on November 27. Birthday greetings go to Leo Gray and Jan Blinn on November 27.

Fourteen Happy and Sad dollars were donated today. Many of those dollars were for a very successful Key Club here at PVHS and for a wonderful induction ceremony for the Key Club's new officers and new members. Also for a successful Children's Theater production at the Milo Town Hall on Friday, Nov. 19, for being able to attend this meeting, and for attending the Kiwanis Fall Training in Plymouth, Mass. One member gave a thankful dollar for a vision that she received from God, about a faulty dryer and was able to protect her home.

Chris Beres reports that there is a recess for Thanksgiving and there will be no Terrific Kids assemblies.

Trish reported on the Key Club today. There were four Key Club members present for breakfast this morning. Trish advises that the Key Club members set up and put the lights on the Christmas tree at Milo Farmers Union. There will be a tree lighting ceremony at the Farmer's Union on Sunday, Nov. 28 at 5 pm. We are all hoping that everyone can attend the ceremony and support this wonderful Key Club! Trish advises that the induction ceremony for the Key Club had much parental, staff and Kiwanian support last night. There will not be a Key Club Meeting this week related to the Thanksgiving Holiday recess.

Val reports that *The Three Rivers News* is still in good standing with about 350 copies still being printed.

Interclub will be meeting on Tuesday, Nov. 30 at 6:30 am in Dover-Foxcroft.

Murrel Harris reported on Secret Santa. Several Kiwanis members will be collecting and shopping for Secret Santa in the coming days. Monies continue to come in to support this important project for CHILDREN ONLY.

Edwin Treworgy reported on the Children's Theater production this past Friday, November 19, at the Milo Town Hall. Several Kiwanians were present to assist the Children's Theater Group.

Secretary Dot Brown reported on the Kiwanis Fall Training Seminar in Plymouth, Massachusetts that Dot and Don Harris attended. Classes were held on Friday and all day Saturday and Sunday. Social time was

held in the evenings with a chance to learn from other Kiwanians in the New England Districts. It was a busy, but, successful experience.

Today's speaker was Kathy Witham from *The Red Hat Society* in Milo. Our Queen Bee Hatter gave a cheerful and happy talk about *The Red Hat Society*. It was a fun, frivolous talk, much like the group of red hat ladies. Kathy told us that the only rule that exists for club members is that there are no rules! At the age of fifty-one can become a member of *The Red Hat Society*. If one is under the age of fifty, she can become a Pink Hat Lady and join *The Red Hat Society* after she reaches her fiftieth birthday. We thank Kathy for speaking today and beginning our day with fun and laughter. It is so good for us to have humor!

Our speaker next week is yet TBA.

THREE RIVERS KIWANIS OF MILO/BROWNVILLE 2005 Monthly Programs

Speaker providers

January	Shirley Wright	- Virgil Valente
February	Lorraine Schinck	- Fred Trask
March *	Edwin Treworgy	- Ethelyn Treworgy
April	Chris Almy	- Todd Lyford
May	Nancy Grant	- Sheri Conley
June *	Heidi Finson	- Neil Hamlin
July	Don Harris	- Dot Brown
August *	Jeff Gahagan	- Joe Zamboni
September	Paul Grindle	- Lois Trask
October	Frank Cochrane	- Roy Bither
November *	Eben DeWitt	- Herb Dunham
December	Val Robertson	- Murrel Harris

NOTES:

1. The business meeting will be held on the 2nd Wednesday of each month. (No program needed.)
2. * Denotes 5 Wednesdays! The President/Board will arrange the 5th Wednesday program.
3. Weekly Programs are most important for Club attendance - and the education component of Kiwanis. Please plan programs in advance with confirmed dates and times with the speaker.

You should plan on meeting the speaker; assist with whatever he/she needs for the program; and be sure to offer breakfast "on the Club."

4. Please provide Dot Brown (943-5653) the speaker's name - IN ADVANCE - of the program for the preparation of the speaker certificate.

Entries in the TRCMAINE.ORG Guestbook

Fri Nov 26, 2004 14:49:06

PW Brown-Queensbury, New York

" Happy Thanksgiving to all *

Thu Nov 25, 2004 19:27:34

Monica Bytemi

" Just surfing the net, and came across your website. Nice job!"

20 November 2004 at 14:55:29

Thu Nov 25, 2004 19:26:10

Irv (Baldy) Fletcher-Woodburn, Oregon

"See a lot of news articles in the Bangor Daily News sports about Hacketts. If any of the Derby Hacketts of the 1940's and 50's see this message, drop me an e-mail. Baldy"

20 November 2004 at 01:33:32

Thu Nov 25, 2004 19:24:20

Garnett McMahon-Mountain Home, Arkansas

" I absolutely LOVE this web cam!!! I miss Milo. My mom Bernice) is doing fine. She has her moments and I worry about her sometimes...but all in all is ok.

I'm still doing my embroidery business and I also work in the laboratory at the local hospital. There is lots of work here and the weather, lake, and scenery are breath takingly beautiful!

I sure miss my family in Maine. If you see Ash, Ricky, Randy, Jennifer, Miranda, or Mike... please tell them I was here and I love them. I talk to them often, but miss being there with them.

I pray everyone is doing well up there!

Take care!!

Garnett

18 November 2004 at 18:39:04

Thu Nov 25, 2004 19:22:16

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' Tres beau site! De la part d'oupouaout en egypte oupouaout c'est aussi le concours de referencement oupouaout , en egypte c'est oupouaout le dieu chacal aussi sacré oupouaout cet oupouaout '

15 November 2004 at 14:22:03

Thu Nov 25, 2004 19:20:34

Don Treworgy-Noank, Connecticut

" On Saturday 6 November 2004, I attended a funeral at The Noank Baptist Church. The service was conducted by The Reverend Doctor Paul C. Hayes. I asked and he confirmed that he was born in Milo, the son of Rev. Calvin Hayes who was minister of the Baptist Church in Milo. Paul is serving as interim minister at the Noank Baptist Church and will be there a few more months.

I would be pleased to relay any messages to him or his parents. He said that his Dad is suffering from Alzheimer's Disease."

09 November 2004 at 15:38:19

Thu Nov 25, 2004 19:18:39

Tina-Landing, NJ

" I enjoyed looking around! "