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MILO TRUE VALUE BUSINESS OF THE WEEK



The Milo True Value is a retail hardware and sporting goods store located on Main Street in Milo.

Owners John and Barbara Crossman originally hail from Greenville, moving to Milo in 1972. The move was made to be more centrally located for John's job as an iron worker.

The True Value Store became available in 1994 and John and Barbara purchased the business from Paul and Martha Cote. Paul suggested

expanding the sporting goods section which John readily accomplished. The employees at that time included Wade Sickler, Karen Weston, and Sheila Ellis.

Barbara said their efforts go into carrying the items that the community needs and wants. It would be very difficult to not find what you need from their vast array of displays but in that off-hand chance, they can order your special items and have them in a short time!



Don, Barbara, John, and Bobby – Sheila and Carroll were absent.

The atmosphere at the True Value is relaxed and friendly. The helpfulness of John and Barbara, Don Goldthwaite, Sheila Ellis, and Bobby Hogan makes shopping or visiting the store a pleasant experience. If you are an early riser on Friday mornings; you may see Carroll Witham lend a hand at unloading deliveries.

The store is open every day with hours: Monday through Friday-8 to 5, Saturday-8 to 4, and Sunday-8 to 12.

John and Barbara have two sons, Ryan and his wife Melanie (Hayden), formerly of Brownville Jct., and Tom and his wife Robyn. Their grandchildren are Dakota, Fallon, and little Liam.

THE MILO HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI NEWSLETTER WILL BE GOING OUT TO MEMBERS IN 2 WEEKS. IF YOUR CLASS HAS ANY NEWS ITEMS TO GO IN IT, CONTACT NANCY GRANT AT 943-5809 OR E-MAIL HER AT Nancy2310@adelphia.net

The 4-6 grade Drama Club of Milo Elementary will present "The Emperor's New Clothes" Friday, March 31, 7PM, at the Milo Town Hall.



Admission is \$2.00 Refreshments will be sold to benefit the 5th grade Boston trip.



After 20 years, Tuxedo Rentals by Gwen will be transferred to Cece Harmon. Cece's business will be known as Tux-Ce-do Junction and is located at 4 Harmon St. Her telephone number is 943-7763.

Linus Quilt Day

Join us for a day of Linus quilting at the Milo Town Hall dining room Tues., March 28, at 9:00 AM. We will be making quilts to send to the Kiwanis Pediatric Trauma Institute in Boston. This is where children from all over New England who have experienced a terrible trauma are treated. Three Rivers Kiwanis of Milo and Brownville is sponsoring this project and invite anyone who likes to quilt to come help us make quilts for these children. Just bring



yourself, sewing machine, materials to sew with, and a sandwich. We will have some material and batting available if needed. Coffee and dessert will be provided for you. For more information call Dottie Brown at 943-5653 or Ethelyn Treworgy at 943-7748. Hope to see you there! Give us a call if you plan to attend. A second day of quilting will be on April 4.

Canoe Raffle

The parent's of the Milo Elementary Fifth grade class will be selling raffle tickets on a handmade cedar rib and plank, canvassed canoe. The canoe raffle is to benefit the fifth grade class on a trip to Boston in May. The tickets are \$10 each. To increase the odds of winning there will only be 250 tickets sold.

The raffle will be drawn on May 1st and the canoe will be completed approximately by July 1st. If you are interested in purchasing a ticket you can either contact a parent of a fifth grader, or call Peter Wallace @ 943-0920 or Tracy Morse @ 943-7376. You can also contact the school @ 943-2122. Thank you for your continued support with our fundraising campaign.

ICE-OUT CONTEST

\$ 100.00 prize

The earliest entry closest to the actual ice out date and time declared by our judges will win. Ticket sales end with the SPCCC Business Expo. On April 1st. Tickets are \$1.00 each or six for \$5.00. Ice out tickets are on sale from team members and in **Brownville** at J D's Emporium, Robinson's Fuel Mart and at The Junction. **Dover-Foxcroft** - Fox Brook Variety **LaGrange** - LaGrange General Store **Milo** - C & J Variety, Exxon Mini-mart, Milo True Value, Reuben's Market and Trask Insurance **Sebec** - Sebec Country Store

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BINGO...BINGO...BINGO!!!

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.

WANTED:

Reporter for Three Rivers News

We would like to add more local news to the newspaper. We are looking for a volunteer reporter to cover meetings, community activities, etc. News items would need to be e-mailed to Val Robertson or Nancy Grant, our editors. Please contact Val, Nancy or Chris Beres if you would be interested in doing this .

REMINDER:

It is only a few months until the Kiwanis Auction. If you have items that you wish to give to the auction, you can arrange to have them picked up now. You can call Murrel Harris at 943-7326 or Joe Zamboni at 943-2271.

All auction proceeds go to serve the children and families in our community.

GRAMMIE McCLEARY'S WEATHER

MARCH 1968

27-Fair-34° at 10 pm. 28-Sunny-56° at 3 pm. 29-Light showers-36° at 7 am. 30-Windy & sunny-38° at 7 pm.
 April 1-Rain am Clear & windy pm. 2-Sunny windy & cold-26° at 6:40 am

FLAGS, FLAGS, FLAGS

For Our Town

American Legion Post #92 in Brownville Jct. is heading a campaign for the display of our American Flag on light poles to show our support of our service men and women home and overseas. Other towns in the area have been very successful with this project and a wonderful showing of patriotism has been displayed. Our goal is 100 flags to be displayed from the Milo/Brownville town line to the Post Office on Railroad Ave. in the Junction. We hope to have them in place by Memorial Day. The World of Flags in Milo will supply the flags. If you would like to donate to this cause please call: Ed at 965-3631 or Pat at 965-3711. Any amount that you would like to donate would be greatly appreciated. God Bless our Service men and women and the Veterans that have gone before them.

Donations can be mailed to: American Legion Post #92,
 PO Box 353, Brownville Jct, Me 04415. Put in memo line: Flag Donation



A Letter of Appreciation

To the Editors:

I wish to express my gratitude to all those who came to my assistance during my recent accident in Alton on March 10. I will not forget it.

A special thanks goes to Ian Carey for calling 911.

God bless you all.

Bill Sawtell

Brownville History Contest News

Brownville, March 21--The 24th annual Brownville History Contest is well underway. This year's theme is "Brownville Businesses." Brownville History Day is scheduled for Tuesday, April 11, when the public is invited to view the students' projects and a lunch will be served at 11:30. Call 965-8184 at the Brownville Elementary School for reservations.

Sawtell to Speak

Guilford--Local author Bill Sawtell will speak at the annual Southern Piscataquis Chamber of Commerce Exposition on

Saturday, April 1, at 10:00 A.M. at Piscataquis Community High School. His topic: Lt. Alice Zwicker, Brownville's WWII POW.

Sawtell will be joined by Dr. Everett Parker, Louis Stevens, and David Cook, who will all speak on a World War II theme.

1959 Eastern Maine Champion BJHS Railroaders

The Railroaders lost only two games that year, both to Greenville and defeated Calais in the Eastern Maine final, being led by Jack Brown and Bill Bellatty.



Back Row: Coach Ronnie Herbest, Scott Larson, Kendra Herbest, Stephie Vachon, Emily Armar, Shelby Patton, Coach Gary Durant

The team will play in a tournament in Newport on April 8 and 9.



Family Entertainment with Hank Hughes at the Junction General on March 18

Here comes Mrs. Foss..... what is she doing?



Brownville Rec All Star Lauryn Bellatty shooting free throw against Dover



Barbie Farrar and Gini Foss enjoying their lunch before the show. Smile Barbara!

Brownville Rec All Stars

Front Row L to R: Caitlyn Durant, Britney Lalime, Shelby Jay, Alexis Larson, Lauryn Bellatty



Some local chicks took the bus to Boston on March 18th to see "Menopause the Musical", and said they would go see it again in a heartbeat.....it was very entertaining. Some of the ladies even got to go on stage after the show! Wonder Who?



As it turned out, there were many Penquis region women who went down to the show.....Mrs. Tardiff and her sister at lunch with Ginny Morrill (Kitchen Queen) and Kathy Knox.



Apparently the show was too much for this "Head-baker". Sweet dreams Susan!

Traditions of a Milo-ite

by Kathryn Witham

It's a sure sign of spring when you start having fewer blank spaces on your calendar than you have filled spaces. The little squares have scrawled notations across the whole week....and weekends have multiple lines. Your schedule gets tighter and tighter as you approach warmer weather....and, once again, Maine pulls itself out of hibernation and emerges into the warmth...full of plans and busy schedules.



If you haven't already done so, please get your calendar out right now and fill in May 12th and 13th...one or the other...or both if you wish, to attend the Kiwanis Variety Show. This year's theme for the variety show is going to be "Disney." There will be much music, dancing, and hopefully skits to entertain you. Each

year the Kiwanis Variety Show promises an evening of fun and music....this year won't be any different. Please consider joining us on the stage this year. If you've never done it before, but have always thought that you'd like to....there's no time like the present to take that leap. Or perhaps you've got a friend or loved one who you know could add talent to the show...encourage them to contact me or Stephanie Gillis and we'll put them on the program. It promises to be a wonderful evening.

And speaking of Stephanie Gillis; she's been working very hard with her 4th through 6th Grade Drama Club from Milo Elementary on **The Emperor's New Clothes**. That program will be presented this coming Friday night at the Milo Town Hall (March 31st). Admission is just \$2.00 and there will be refreshments sold by the 5th graders to benefit their Boston trip coming up in May. I've never walked away disappointed from a show that Stephanie produced. Stephanie is one talented lady, and should be applauded for the extra work she does with children in this community.

To complicate my life...probably God's way of slowing me down...I sprained my ankle (slightly) last weekend, and have been hobbling around all week long. Once, many years ago, I got the bright idea to put contact paper down on the cupboard shelves in my kitchen. This is fair warning...if you are thinking about doing that...think twice. The shelves looked spiffy for a while, but contact paper fades, gets dirty, picks and tears some, and doesn't remove easily after it's been pressed onto a surface for years.

Up on a step stool, I began the arduous task of peeling off the old to make way for a new game plan....which, I might add, doesn't involve contact paper. You may be wondering what a woman my age thought she was doing up on a step stool to begin with. Hey, I'm old but I'm not that old! Up I go...yank, pull, groan, swear, scrape, rip, tear. I got a good purchase on a piece and with all my might yanked it towards me....it let go and off the step ladder I fell, catching myself in an awkward position, and shaken by the experience. I let a yell out of me...which went ignored by the husband who was engrossed in a cowboy movie or some sporting event on the television in the other room. "Didn't you hear me holler?" I chastised him later, "I could have been in a heap on the floor and you wouldn't have even known!"

The ankle didn't immediately start to hurt...but by the middle of the night, I knew I was going to be in for some discomfort and subsequent slowing down. I'm pretty tough, so I didn't miss any (or at least much) work; and I have kept up my usually busy schedule. I took two teenaged boys to the Navy Band concert at the University of Maine, which was wonderful. I hosted a meeting of the Milo High School Alumni Association reunion committee, and with coworkers and friends, attended two days of workshops, representing both the Wellness Committee at M.S.A.D. #41 in Hollowell on Thursday and the Maine Principal's Associations School Secretaries and Administrative Assistant's Conference in Bangor on Friday. Whew! It's been a busy week. Too busy to have a sprained ankle. Maybe I'll indulge myself with some TLC next week...ya think? I doubt it...too much to do. I told you, the calendar is filling in. Mark yours for March 31st to see the children's performance....and again on May 12th and/or 13th for the Kiwanis Variety Show.

One of my family's favorite treats...served in all seasons for any and every occasion...is **Monkey Bread**. I use Doris Levasseur's recipe out of the S.K.I.P. Cookbook.

3 pkg. buttermilk biscuits (the tube kind from the dairy case)
1/2 cup granulated sugar
2 tsp. cinnamon
1/2 cup brown sugar
1 stick butter or margarine

In a bowl, combine the sugar and cinnamon. Cut biscuits into quarters with scissors (be sure to scrub your scissors, and dry them well before and after this procedure). Roll each quarter biscuit in the sugar and cinnamon mixture. Place in a greased bundt pan (don't worry how you place them). Sprinkle the remaining sugar and cinnamon over the top of the biscuit pieces.

In a saucepan bring brown sugar and butter or margarine to a boil (keep stirring so that it doesn't burn). Pour over the top of the biscuit mixture and bake at 350 degrees for 1/2 hour. Doris didn't add the directions for cooling, but I have learned that when you remove it from the oven, you should have a big plate ready to turn it onto. Put the plate over the top of the bundt pan and invert. The syrup will be extremely hot and might be

runny...so use care. You can start picking at it almost immediately. Yummo! When my whole family is here for an occasion....I have to make two of these....it's that good!!

Milo Free Public Library News

By Judith Macdougall

What a wonderful Wednesday we had at the library last week! First, we received two boxes of the new adult books I had ordered from Baker & Taylor. This is always an exciting time for librarians and patrons alike. Second, the Kiwanis Kids Korner has begun the spring session, and 26 children streamed into the library in the afternoon, along with Frank Cochrane, 4 Key Club members and Eric McLeod, a parent. Val Robertson was already at the library waiting to begin the session.

The children had been learning about rules at school, and Val continued this session with library rules for the Kiwanis Kids Korner. As they consumed their yogurt, granola bars and juice boxes, they also absorbed the facts that they must walk SAFELY and calmly from school to the library, enter the library quietly, talk in low voices, listen and have fun. The story Val read was Mr. Wiggle's Book-with book care rules told to them by a serious Mr. Wiggle, Bookworm. As the rules and book care were related to them, the children responded with lively discussions on how they could follow the rules to make things better for everyone. Key Club members, , Nicole Carey, Josh Clement and Katie Patten helped out upstairs and down. Kambria Atkinson was also a wonderful helper. Downstairs the Key Club members passed out refreshments and helped with the craft. This latter was a black bookmark, and when the youngsters drew on the black side with a wooden stylus, magical, colorful designs were produced. The Key Club members bring the children upstairs to the library proper in two groups. They help the children choose books and also do a good job of keeping order. The "Kids" respond well to these older students who interact with them.

Frank, who walks the "Kids" from school and helps downstairs, had the extra duty this week of changing the light bulb in the library bathroom-a rather complicated job. I was happy he volunteered to do it. The Kiwanis group was also very glad to have the assistance of Eric McLeod, a dad, to help walk the children from school to the library. The library staff thanks these adults and Key Club members who helped 26 children have a great time learning to love their library.

Now back to the boxes of books that also arrived on Wednesday. By the time you read this column they will all be ready to circulate. Here is the list of new titles.

Archer, Jeffrey	FALSE IMPRESSIONS
Berry, Steve	THE TEMPLAR LEGACY
Bowen, Rhys	OH DANNY BOY
Brown, Sandra	THE SECRET SPLENDOR
Chamberlain, Diana	THE SECRET LIFE OF CEECEE WILKES
Chiaverini, Jennifer	CIRCLE OF QUILTERS(Elm Creek)
Flatley, Michael	LORD OF THE DANCE nf
Graham, Heather	THE ISLAND
Hoag, Tami	PRIOR BAD ACTS
Kennedy, Kate	MORE THAN PETTICOATS (Maine women)
Lackey, Mercedes	ONE GOOD KNIGHT

Mayes, Frances	A YEAR IN THE WORLD (journeys)
Moore, Christopher	A DIRTY JOB
Mosse, Kate	LABYRINTH
Parker, Robert B.	SEA CHANGE
Scottoline, Lisa	DIRTY BLONDE
Strout, Elizabeth	ABIDE WITH ME
Trollope, Joanna	SECOND HONEYMOON
Vine, Barbara	MINOTAUR
Woods, Stuart	CHIEFS (25 th anniversary)

Also we were given MASTERPIECES IN MINIATURE, short stories by Agatha Christie featuring her detectives, Miss Jane Marple, Parker Pyne, Harley Quin and Hercule Poirot.

Library Winter Hours

Mon. -Weds. -Fri.---2:00-8:00

Saturday 2:00-4:00

Telephone 943-2612

IN MEMORIAM

BETH 'BETTY' LARSON DEMCHAK

MADISON - Beth "Betty" Larson Demchak passed away Thursday evening, March 23, 2006, at her home in Madison, surrounded by her loving family after a long and courageous battle with cancer. She was 77 years old. Betty was born March 3, 1929, in Brownville, the daughter of Albin and Elva (Beals) Larson She was educated in the Brownville school system, graduating from Brownville Junction High School, as Salutatorian, in 1946

CHESTER E. WITHAM

BROWNVILLE - Chester E. Witham, 71, husband of Margaret (Burgoyne) Witham, died March 12, 2006, at his residence. He was born June 22, 1934, in Dover-Foxcroft, the son of Alfred and Mildred (Lyford) Witham. A graduate of Milo High School, he served with the U.S. Army from 1956-58 and then with the Army Reserves until 1963. He was employed by Great Northern Paper Company for 20 years. Chester, who was "one of a kind," loved the outdoors, especially hunting, fishing, snowmobiling and four-wheeling. He simply loved nature. He spent a great deal of time at "Stagger Inn," where many relationships were formed and blossomed. His wisdom and sense of humor will continue to thrive. His family greatly appreciates all of the love and support given throughout his illness and passing, as well as at the time of the loss of his son, James in November 2005. He is survived by his wife, Margaret of Brownville; three sons, Jerald of Brownville, Jon of Bradford, and Jeffrey of Brownville; a daughter, Jenise (Witham) McSorley and her husband, William, of Brownville; two brothers, Lawrence of Sebec and Carroll of Milo; two sisters, Margaret (Witham) Ingerson of Utah, Marilyn (Witham) Wyman of Milo; two very special grandchildren, Jesse and Jeffrey Jr.; several nieces, nephews and cousins, his special dog "Tippy"; and his granddogs. He will also be sadly missed by his adopted sons, D., F. and M. He was predeceased by a son, James in 2005; a grandson, Joshua in 1993; and a brother, Maurice in 1980. Graveside services in the family lot in Pinetree Cemetery will be announced in the spring. Those who wish may make memorial contributions to the American Heart Association, New England Affiliate, 343 Gorham Rd., South Portland ME 04106-2317. Arrangements are in the care of the Lary Funeral Home.

CLAYTON B. 'HOWDY' DIXON, JR.

HOWLAND - Clayton B. "Howdy" Dixon Jr., 54, died March 14, 2006, at a Lincoln hospital. He was born Nov. 28, 1951, in Milo, the son of Clayton B. Dixon Sr. and Janette A. (Davis) Dixon. Howdy attended schools in Howland before joining the work force. He had several jobs in lumber mills, Southbranch Lumber, Old Town Lumber and Stillwater Lumber, with his last job being at Labrees, until his stroke in 2003. Howdy also was a volunteer firefighter for the Town of Howland, a job he was most proud of. Howdy is survived by two brothers, Calvin and wife, Debbie, of Burlington, Dale and wife, Lisa, of Howland; three sisters, Donna and husband, Edmund Badger Sr., of Lagrange, Linda and William McCausland Jr. of Enfield and special sister, Cheryl Dixon and fiance, Richard Adams, of Howland; stepmother, Angelia Fowler of Howland; stepsister, Lynette Thibeault; and stepbrother, David Thibeault and wife, Julie, of Howland; eight nieces and nephews, Eddie Badger, Bobbi Peirce of Lagrange, Patty Dixon and Donna Dixon of Burlington, James McCausland of Howland, Janette and Jesse McCausland of Enfield and Travis Dixon of Howland; six great-nieces and great-nephews, Austin, Rebecca, Dakota, Arielle, Korianne and Makayla.

OSCAR A. MAYO

BENTON - Oscar A. Mayo, 95, died peacefully Thursday, March 16, 2006, at home surrounded by his family. He was born June 11, 1910, in Milo, the son of Oscar Mayo and Mary (Severance) Mayo Adams. Oscar shared 78 devoted years of marriage with his wife, Evelyn (Buzzell) Mayo, whom he married Oct. 26, 1927. They spent their many years together living in Wilton, Surry, Wells and Benton and with family and friends in Eustis, hunting and fishing at the camp they built - Shangri La.

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.

MARCH 22, 2006 MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

President Chris Beres greeted twenty three members, eight guests, Lt. Gov. Joe Guyotte, Doc Sherman, Andy Hinckley and Corey Graham from Dover-Foxcroft, Scott Gordon and Clay Savage from Penquis Valley High School, Key Club member Kayla Bailey, and guest speakers Merlene Sanborn and Suzette East

The flag salute was led by Eben DeWitt. The prayer today was given by Herb Dunham, praying for all of our service men and women and asking for prayers for our leaders to help us achieve world peace.

Don Harris read the inspirational reading today.

Birthdays this week are; March 25th Mary Jane Zamboni, March 27th Debbie Walker and Edwin Treworgy on March 29.

Achievements; Members gave high praise to Edwin and Ethelyn Treworgy for the coordination efforts and hard work that was put into place by them in assisting the Metilly family of Milo after the recent loss of their home to a house fire.

Happy and sad dollars were donated today for the two speakers that we will hear from later in the meeting, Jim doing a good job of getting the speakers, just being happy, the joke that Jeff told us about the Wisconsin State Trooper, raffle tickets in Dover, Edwin's birthday coming up this week, for a guy that can be 39 forever, having Scott and Clay here today, the efforts of one member to convince us to vote outside of our own party and for Edwin and Ethelyn's great success in coordinating for the Metilly family.

Reports:

Key Club: Paul Grindle introduced us to Kayla Bailey a senior and four year member of the Key Club.

Nominating committee; Ethelyn reported that the nominating committee will meet soon.

Quilt Day. Ethelyn reported that several area quilters will attend a quilting bee at the Town Hall on March 28th and April 4th.

MS Walk; Bobby Ellison advised us that the MS walk will be on Saturday, April 8th. Please call Bob Ellison of Chris Beres if you need additional information if you plan on walking.

Kids Library Program will begin today at the Milo Library at 3pm for children K-3rd grade.

Committee meeting; Jan reported on the accomplishments of their committee meeting. Discussed the ideas that were presented last week to the membership and stated that she committee would like feedback on those ideas. Kiwanis members have many talents and skills, what the committee would like to determine is how best to utilize them.

President Chris reminded members that there is no morning meeting on March 29th. Members will meet at Pat's Pizza in Milo for our meeting and pizza.

Jim Macomber introduced out guest speakers, Merlene Sanborn and Suzette East from Penquis Leadership Institute in Dover-Foxcroft. They advised us that their 5th session will begin in Sept., 2006. The Penquis Leadership Program is a certificate program for the Penquis Higher Education Center. To date more than 60 people have received certificates after completing the course. Participants emerge from the program with an in depth understanding of the people and systems that drive our region.

Our guests told us about the new programs to develop the area, and one of the items of interest were the new signs that will be placed along a tour route as people visit the area and take the tours.

We were please to have Suzette and Merlene with us today to share information with us pertaining to the Maine Highlands area.

Next meeting is March 29th at 6PM at Pat's Pizza in Milo.

Respectfully submitted by Dot Brown, Secretary.