Citizens of Milo:
The Milo Selectmen have started the process of reviewing the Town Charter. In order to do this, a Charter Commission has to be established. The Commission will consist of one selectperson, two citizens appointed by the Board of Selectmen, and six citizens elected to serve on the Commission. The town is looking for six people who will place their names on a ballot for election in March during Town Meeting. If anyone is interested in helping with this important task, please stop into the Town Office and leave your name with the ladies at the office.

The Charter, which was originally adopted in the mid 1970’s and amended twenty years ago, needs to be updated to align itself with State Statute. We also will be discussing the form of town government that best serves the citizens of Milo and making recommendations to that effect.

When the Commission is finished, the Charter will be voted on in the November elections next fall. It is hard to predict how much time the effort will require, but it should not include more than a few meetings over the course of several months. Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Contribute and Help
Students in Grades K-6 at Brownville Elementary are beginning their annual food drive for the local food cupboard. The school has done this for many years as a way for children to help those less fortunate in our area. They will be collecting food from now until Dec 21. Anyone interested in contributing can drop non-perishable items off at the school.

MILO ELEMENTARY RECEIVES GRANT
Milo Elementary School received a $500 grant from the ExxonMobil Educational Alliance program to support the school’s 2007-08 Performing Arts Series. Robinson Fuel Mart of Brownville worked with the school to secure the grant, one of 4,000 available to schools across the country served by Exxon or Mobil stations. These grants were made possible by funding from the ExxonMobil Corporation.

"Milo Elementary School brings in enrichment programs to their students," said Debbie Hayes, manager of Robinson’s Fuel Mart. "As a Mobil retailer I look for ways the corporation can help young people in SAD 41. This year the grant was given to Milo Elementary to ensure that the performing arts series will be there for our students."

Milo Elementary School will host the Frog Mountain Puppeteers on December 3, the Bangor Symphony string quartet on January 15 or 23 and the poet Robert Pottle on April 30. The Milo PTO contributed $600 to support the Frog Mountain Puppeteers and the grant from Exxon supports the daylong event by Robert Pottle who will present to the whole school in the morning and then do poetry workshops with each grade level K-6 throughout the day.

The ExxonMobil Educational Alliance Program is designed to provide Exxon and Mobil retailers an opportunity to invest in the future of their communities through educational grants to neighborhood schools. ExxonMobil believes that, as members of the community, local retailers are best qualified to work with local educators to help identify schools and programs most in need of support. Robinson Fuel met stringent eligibility criteria before applying for and being awarded this grant, including having a commitment to provide a superior buying experience for customers.

Brownville Elementary School is very grateful to CWO Randall Kluj, 1st AirCalvary 4th of the 227 Attack Reconnaissance Battalion, Charlie Company Snake Eyes, U.S. Army. At our annual Veteran’s Day assembly the school was presented an American flag by American Legion member, Mr. Kluj, proud father of CWO Kluj. The flag had been flown over Iraqi soil. The school is planning to fly the flag at the school on some special occasions and then display it in a flag case in the school.
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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.

SEE YOU THERE!

The Three Rivers Kiwanis Club of Milo & Brownville will be serving as a clearinghouse for Santa’s Helpers again this year. Over 140 children were served last year and the need is great this year. The club is asking for your donations no matter how small or how large. We have just a few days to make it happen.

Donations may be made at:
Maine Savings Federal Credit Union, Park St., Milo, ME 04463 or Camden National Bank, Main St., Milo, ME 04463 If any organizations or individuals wish to adopt children please contact Santa’s Helper Janet Richards at 943-2680.

Requests for Children Only (under 16) will come to us from the Milo & Brownville Town Offices, the Milo & Brownville Elementary Schools & Head Start by no later than Monday, November 26, 2007. Please remember that Christmas is a good time to get involved with caring for the needs of others, especially children.

NEW YEARS PARTY/DANCE

Milo Town Hall Auditorium 9pm to 1am
FREE party favors, FREE finger foods, 50/50 raffle.

Music by Neptune Entertainment. Great light and effects show. Tickets available NOW at:
Milo Town Hall (Main Desk) and, Just Teasin’ hair salon — 13 Prospect St. — Milo $15 per person BYOB

All people attending this event must be 21 or older.

This event is sponsored by Neptune Entertainment in association with the Milo Recreation Department.

Italy 2007
By Virgil Valente

It is hard to believe it has been over two years since my last trip to Italy. This trip was from Nov. 2 to Nov. 16, 2007. Our group was a little larger this time with 17 family members and 5 friends making the journey. There were 15 from Maine, 4 from Connecticut, and 3 from Massachusetts. This trip went places I had never been and gave a great overview of the different regions of Northern Italy.

I left Milo at 8 AM on the 2nd, stopped in Pittsfield to pick up my daughter Stephanie and arrived at my other daughter Mary’s apartment in Portland around 10:30. Mary’s friend, Heather, who was also going on the trip, picked us up in a courtesy van around 12:30 and dropped us off at Portland Airport. The other 11 leaving from Maine, mainly nieces and nephews, three of their children, and a couple of friends all arrived soon after we did. It is fortunate that we arrived early because Mary’s friend and my niece Kelley and her family all had trouble with their
electronic tickets. After over an hour, the ComAir representative at the ticket counter straightened out the tickets so we could all fly together to JFK at 3:20. We had about a 4 hour layover which was also fortunate as there was more trouble waiting for them with Delta. Somehow the tickets were not showing up. Heather got straightened out but Kelley and her family were still trying to get their tickets taken care of when we had to board. In about 10 minutes I saw them on the plane. Kelley explained that the woman knew we were part of a group and so she escorted them to the gate and told the ticket taker to put them on the plane. Traffic was heavy and we had to sit on the tarmac for about an hour before being allowed to take off at 8:20 PM. We were served dinner and breakfast on the plane.

We arrived in Milan at 9:15 AM on Nov. 3rd. After walking through many corridors and up and down stairs we arrived to where we had to have our passports stamped. Unfortunately they wouldn't let Kelley Brown and her family through because they didn't have boarding passes. The rest of us found our gate and in about a half hour just as we were boarding the Alitalia plane to Rome, the Browns arrived after finding the office that would give them boarding passes. We were held up in Milan because two passengers did not show and their luggage had to be removed from the plane.

We arrived in Rome and had no customs to go through. When we went to pick up our luggage, I saw mine come out of the chute and get caught up by the zipper. It hung there for 5 minutes or so before another bag caught it and dropped it behind the carousel. The Grand Circle Representative who met us had them stop the carousel and retrieve my bag. Of course that made all the other passengers waiting for their luggage very happy!

We took a bus for the half hour trip to Hotel Quirinale located in the heart of the old city of Rome. We had ruining all around us. Fernanda, who was our tour guide last time, was there to greet us as we had made arrangements for her to be in charge of this tour as well.

The hotel room that Steff and I had was really posh. It was the size of a small house. The walls were paneled like the old palaces. The ceiling had large chandeliers. There were 2 beds, a desk, and a living room set with gold seraphs with their wings holding up the arms of the chairs and settee. There were also three antique dressers, a coffee table, and a sideboard. The floors were a beautiful pattern of parquet wood. There were pillars separating the living area from the beds. The marble bathroom had heated towel racks which made it nice after a shower.

After freshening up we decided we had better have lunch and go sightseeing. It is recommended that one push themselves to adjust to the local time, so Steff and I visited the Victor Emmanuel monument, the Roman Forum, the Augustus Forum and the Coliseum. We missed getting in the Coliseum again. This time we were 4 minutes late. They stopped selling tickets at 3:30. We then went to the Pantheon. It is a round building with a hole in the roof to let in light. It was built by the Emperor Hadrian in AD 118 as a temple for all gods. It was made into a Christian church in the 7th century. Many Italian Monarchs are buried there. We then passed by the Trevi Fountain on our way back to the hotel. Steff and I estimated we had walked 5 or 6 miles during the afternoon. It felt good after being cooped up on planes for so long.

When we got back to the hotel, Fernanda told us that Carla, a tour guide from our trip in 2003, had gotten mixed up on the date of our arrival and had come the day before we got there. She was sorry she couldn't meet us as she had a commitment in Milan and had left us two bottles of Spumante or Italian Champagne.

At 5 we returned to the lobby area where we met my college friend Judy and the Brushes who were traveling with her. Soon my niece from Connecticut arrived with her husband and daughter, as well as my sister Georgia.

At 7 we all entered the dining hall for a welcoming drink and dinner. Everyone introduced themselves in the group. There were a total of 41 people on the tour. Our group of 22 made up half of the bus. Many people were celebrating their 40th or 50th wedding anniversaries. We had cheese ravioli in marinara sauce, baked chicken with carrots, artichokes, string beans, cauliflower and grilled potatoes. For dessert we had mixed fruit.

We said good night and went to our room and bed about 9:15.

Editor's note: I am thrilled that Virgil is going to make the details of his trip available to us. I think the cold days ahead will be warmed by his descriptive and witty writing.

AREA SCHOOL NEWS

Remember to clip the "Box Tops for Education" coupons and drop them off at your favorite school...each one is worth 10-cents!!

Brownville Elementary Terrific Kids
K-Sydney Fowles 1- David Conlogue 2- Morgana Vick 3- Riley Richard 4- Zena Baker 5- Michael Vachon 6- Matthew Vachon

M.S.A.D. December Menu- with fruit and milk every day.
3-BLT, cheese stick, baby carrots, Bug Bite cookies
4-Cheeseburger-Macaroni, yellow/green beans and sliced bread.
5-Breakfast Sandwich and potato log.
6-Soft taco, rice pilaf and garden salad.
7-Quesadilla pizza, popcorn and cuke slices.
10-Chop suey, cole slaw and breadstick.
11-Chicken nuggets, scallop potato, broccoli and dinner roll.
12-Cheeseburger, French fries and peas.
13-Toasted cheese sandwich, tomato soup and crackers.
14-Chicken parmesan sandwich, mashed potato and winter mix veg.
17-Teriyaki nuggets, crossrax fries and green beans.
18-Beef burrito, rice pilaf and 3 bean salad.
19-Ravioli, California blend veg. and dinner roll.
20-Baked ham, whipped potato, carrots, oatmeal roll and Jell-O cake w/whipped topping.

21-Early release-Cheese pizza, peas/carrots and ice cream cup.

December 22-January 1-Christmas Vacation
Jan. 2-Chicken nuggets, whole kernel corn and crinkle cut fries.
3-Ham & cheese sandwich, corn chowder and crackers.
4-Bread sticks, sauce/cheese, celery/carrot sticks, ranch dressing.

COOK SCHOOL NEWS

Kaya Laverty, Melania Rand and Michael Doucette were honored as Terrific Kids at our November 30 assembly.

Mrs. Nott: Kaya Laverty is my terrific kid this week. Kaya has been doing a great job with her morning routine lately! She has also been working hard at following directions and getting her things together at the end of the day. Kaya works hard in all subjects and loves to write about horses.

Miss Brown: Melaina is a very conscientious and kind student. She is always willing to work with others, and she is a great friend to all. Melaina loves to tell us stories that she has written, which are usually about kitties and puppies. Melaina is a great writer and she works hard on all of her assignments. She has been trying very hard to keep her desk organized and her space clean, and she has been doing a good job. Congratulations, Melaina!

Miss K.: I am so proud to announce that Michael is our Terrific Kid this week. He has tried extremely hard to improve his behavior and worth ethic. Michael is a super reader and has a wonderful sense of humor. He has completed all of his assignments in an appropriate amount of time and has had his planner signed each night. Congratulations to Michael for reaching his goal of becoming our Terrific Kid.

Birthdays: Colleen (8)-Bus Kids: Sonny, Andrew, Harmony-Caught Being Good Prize Winners: Jordan, Kyle, Angelique, Haley M., Kaya

Civil Rights Team Award Winner: Rachelle Gilbert

PTO Fall Raffle Ticket Winners:
Mary Kay Gift Basket: Isabel Roberts
Lia Shophia Jewelry: Steven Robichaud
Furnace Cleaning: Rebecca Pierce
Cord of Seasoned Wood: Paula Carter
$100 Walmart Gift Card: Ellen Dewitt
JSI Maple Tables: Tiffany Robichaud

Thank you to all who continue to support our school.

Valerie Jeans American Bistro
Is offering "Tastes of The World"
On Sundays, its Italian!
For $9.95 you may enjoy –

**Focaccia Bread and a Caesar Salad**
Followed by your choice of:
**Grilled Italian Sausage**
(served over spaghetti with marinara sauce)
**Chicken Parmesanean** (Breaded breast, oven fried, and topped with sauce and cheese, served over spaghetti)
**Whole Baby Clams**
(Steamed with garlic, butter and wine. Served over fresh pasta)
**Cheese Tortellini**
(served with an Alfredo Sauce, and tossed with peas)

Then on Wednesday, by a 24 hour reservation only, you may enjoy the traditional holiday cuisine of England!
Begin with Hors D’oeuvres—Fish and Chips
Soup—**Cock a Leekie Soup**
(Chicken and leek in a seasoned stock)
Entrée:
**Roast Prime Rib of Beef with Yorkshire Pudding**
Finalè
**Plum Pudding**
$30 per person Does not include tax or gratuity

A MESSAGE FROM SANTA

Please allow Santa to talk to you seriously for one minute. There is something important that needs to be said. Today there are fewer than 23 days to go until Christmas Day arrives once again. Every year Santa distresses about the over one hundred forty of the area’s children that he cannot reach. We can’t change the world in 5 minutes, but each of us collectively can make a difference.

What is Santa trying to say?
"Quite simply, we can make a difference. We don’t have to change the world when we can change our own back yard and that’s what I intend to do. Obviously I need your help."

This year Santa is working with the Three Rivers Kiwanis’ Secret Santa program to give hope to our area children. We can make a difference.....together.

Santa is asking for your donations no matter how small or how large. We have just a few days to make it happen. Santa doesn’t often ask for help but he can’t do it alone. Please help! Donations of cash and/or toys can be taken to Maine Savings Federal Credit Union, Park St., Milo, ME 04463 or Camden National Bank, Main St., Milo, ME 04463.

If any organizations or individuals wish to adopt children please contact Santa’s helper Janet Richards at 943-2680.

Thank you in advanced for helping to spreading joy of Christmas!

As always, Santa
Rebecca Pierce, 10, of LaGrange, shot her first deer, a 4 point buck (117 lbs.) on November 17. Rebecca was hunting with her father, Glenn Pierce of LaGrange.

Milo Free Public Library News
By Judith Macdougall

As I write this column on Thursday afternoon, we have had a mixed bag of weather. The day started cold and snowy, but has warmed up to rain. I don't have to go out for which I am glad as it looks as if it were icy. Winter is coming although it is still officially 3 weeks away. However, in Maine we don't follow Mother Nature's calendar as our summers usually are slow in coming and our winters are early.

A librarian's days are always interesting in many ways, but one of the most interesting is the variety of reference questions we can receive. On Wednesday a woman came in with a gold Egyptian cartouche. On it were 5 symbols spelling out a name. She wanted to know what the name was. She had bought several of these cartouches and was afraid she had mixed them up. In 1997 the library had presented the summer reading program ReaDiscover Ancient Egypt. We had purchased a book on hieroglyphics as part of the material for the program. The patron searched through the book but wasn't sure of the English alphabet as there were a lot of details given. To help out Pam typed "hieroglyphics" into the computer and went into a site that would give one the Egyptian symbols if a name were typed. The first name our patron mentioned which Pam typed was obviously not the name as the symbols did not match the cartouche figures at all. But the second possible name exactly fit the symbols on the jewelry. The woman was very pleased as she now knew the name on the cartouche. What a learning experience for all of us.

Later that afternoon I had a call from Linda Packard at Guilford Memorial Library. One of her patrons wanted information about the American Thread Company. I assured her I would send her some material but was very surprised to have this request come from Guilford. I copied text and photographs about ATCO from The Milo Story by Lloyd Treworgy and sent them along.

That same day we had an inquiry about the Chic Theater. Again there was a little text and a picture in Lloyd Treworgy's book. The theater closed the year before we moved to town which would have been 1956 so I have never been in the building. It was built in 1913 and was very popular for many years. The former library director, Catherine Ellison, told me that there once was a door from the theater into the drugstore where a soda fountain made an entertaining place to round off a pleasant evening. As you can understand, our reference can be interesting and informative.

A week or so ago Manira Brown generously donated a fine set of juvenile books published by Readers' Digest. The books include classics and animal books. Thank you, Manira.

BEAUTY AND THE BEAST
THE TALE OF PETER RABBIT
THE VELVETEEN RABBIT
BEARS
DEER
DOLPHINS
ELEPHANTS
GIRAFFES
LIONS
PENGUINS
WOLVES
ZEBRAS

We have also received new adult books. Many have been written by such popular authors that the books fly right off the shelves. Even if the books are not in now, your name can be put on the list for them. And as a preview, for those of you who like me are Kinsey Milhone fans, "T" is for Trespass by Sue Grafton should be out in December.

Baldacci, David
STONE COLD
Chiaverini, Jennifer
THE NEW YEAR'S QUILT
Iles, Greg
THIRD DEGREE
Kelton, Elmer
THE REBELS:SONS OF TEXAS
Kingsbury, Karen
BETWEEN SUNDAYS
Patterson, James
DOUBLE CROSS
Robb, J.D.
CREATION IN DEATH

Milo Free Public Library Hours
Mon. - Weds. - Fri. --- 2:00-8:00
Saturday 2:00-4:00
Telephone  943-2612

The Milo Garden Club will hold its December meeting at the Milo Town Hall on Dec. 11 at 12 noon. Bring a hot dish, salad or dessert for the potluck dinner (utensils will be furnished this year), a wrapped gift for the gift exchange, items for the Ronald McDonald House and a canning jar for the Christmas Jar Candle we were unable to do in Nov.

TRC Community Calendar

Visit http://calendar.trcmaine.org/ for a full listing.
Monday, December 3
9:00a Monday Morning Quilters
11:45a Meals for ME
2:15p Girl Scout Troop #299
2:30p Milo - 4-H After School Chess Club
6:00p Volley Ball
6:30p Medford Selectmen
7:00p Alcoholics Anonymous
7:00p Sebec Selectmen

**Tuesday, December 4**
11:30a Mt. Katahdin Senior Citizens
3:00p Girl Scout Troop #594
5:00p D-F : Free Quit Smoking Workshop
5:30p Line Dancing
6:00p Piscataquis Writers
6:30p SAD #68 Board of Directors
6:30p Post #92 Bingo
6:30p Medford Planning Board

**Wednesday, December 5**
6:30a Three Rivers Kiwanis
10:00a Church Thrift Shop
1:00p Mayo Diabetes Support Group
2:15p Girl Scout Troop #538
6:00p K.I. Riders
6:00p Post #41 Dinner
6:00p Wednesday Night Quilters
6:00p Yoga Level 1
6:30p Boy Scout Troop #115
7:00p Overeaters Anonymous
7:00p MSAD #41 Board of Directors
7:00p Post #41 Auxiliary
7:00p Post #41 Meeting

**Thursday, December 6**
8:00a Women's Ecumenical Breakfast
11:30a EAAA Outreach... at Milo
11:45a Meals for ME
4:30p Tae Kwon Do Class
6:00p Boy Scout Troop #112
6:00p Milo Selectmen
6:00p Milo : Special Town Meeting
6:00p Milo : Basketball Game
6:30p Line Dancing
6:30p BJHS Card Party
7:00p Penquis Holiday Concert
7:00p Sebec : Open Mic Night

**Friday, December 7**
11:45a Meals for ME
12:00p Three Rivers Senior Citizens
6:15p Post #41 Bingo

**Saturday, December 8**
10:00a Milo : Rabies Clinic
11:00a Ofelia's Mobile Food Pantry & Thrift Store
4:00p LaGrange : Christmas Benefit Dinner

**Sunday, December 9**
9:15a Brownville Jct Methodist Church Sunday School
12:00p Karate Class
1:00p Sebec : Monthly Scrap Booking Crop
2:30p Tiny Tigers Tae Kwon Do
6:00p Alcoholics Anonymous
7:30p Alcoholics Anonymous

**Connections**
Use Connections to post your own free classified ads and keep in touch with friends and family members in both the Civilian and Military service. Submit your Connections by emailing info@trcmaine.org, mailing it to Connections c/o Izzy Warren; 6 Kimball Street, Milo, ME 04463, or submitting it online at http://www.trcmaine.org/connections/

**Stuff**

**BLACK VEST WITH RED TRIM**
A nice piece for the holiday or anytime during the winter months. This vest was made in Hong Kong. It has a fur look front and knit back with red trim down the front opening, along the hem and around the arm holes. It measures 36 inches at the bust line and is 26 inches from top of arm hole to hem.

$5.00 Contact: Victoria Eastman victoria_eastman@yahoo.com or 207.943.2400

**LONG, BLACK VELVET SKIRT**
This perfect skirt for upcoming holiday events has a 26 inch waist, is 41-42 inches in length with a zipper at back and an 11 inch slit at back hem. Contact: Victoria Eastman victoria_eastman@yahoo.com or 207.943.2400

**BOOKS/HARD COVER/PAPERBACK**
Good Selection of Popular Titles (KOONTZ/PATTERSON, ETC) $25 to $2.00 Contact: SERENDIPITY thejude46@hotmail.com or 207.943.2348

**JIG SAW PUZZLES**
Large Selection Of Quality Jigsaw Puzzles/Gently Used / Challenging Just The Thing To Help You Through CABIN FEVER This Winter!!! $5.00-$1.00 Contact: SERENDIPITY thejude46@hotmail.com or 207.943.2348

**RAM WANTED!**
I'm in desperate need of some PC-133 RAM. Any size... If anyone has some layin around that they aren't using, PLEASE let me know!!! I'm looking for free or cheap preferably :) Contact: Seth Barden mentok@sethen.com or 207.478.1735

**IN MEMORIAM**

**JAMES R. FOSS SR.**
MILO - James R. Foss Sr., 73, husband of Cora (Porter) Foss, passed away Nov. 19, 2007, at Mayo Regional Hospital, Dover-Foxcroft. He was born Dec. 8, 1933, in Milo, the son of Frank and Dorothy (Lovejoy) Stanchfield. A 1952 graduate of Milo High School, Jim served with the U.S. Air Force from 1953 to 1961, and with the U.S. Coast Guard until retiring in 1976. He then moved with his family to Brownville, where he enjoyed hunting and fishing. Jim worked for P.C.I., Brownville and served as a police officer for the town of Brownville. He and his wife of 52 years, Cora, moved to Milo in 1983. He is survived by the love of his life, Cora of Milo; their daughter, Debbie and husband, Dennis Marshall, and their children, Sheena and Sean, all of West Palm Beach, Fla.; his son, James Jr. and wife, Kathy, and their children, Bobby and Kyle, all of Orneville; his son, John and children, Chad and Mandy, all of Sebec. He is also survived by a brother, Willy Stanchfield of Milo. Jim was loved by all and will be sadly missed, especially by his wife, Cora and his children.

Burial will be in the family lot at Evergreen Cemetery. Messages of condolence and memories may be expressed at www.laryfuneralhome.com.

**PHYLLIS C. MCMAHON**
MILO - Phyllis C. McMahon, 85, died Friday, Nov. 16, 2007, at Mayo Regional Hospital, Dover-Foxcroft. Phyllis was born Dec. 5, 1921, the daughter of Orman and Gladys (Clare) Farris. She was educated in the New York school system, taught music and gave piano lessons while a student and graduated valedictorian of her high school class. She married Edward A. McMahon, July 1939,
and was employed as a stitcher at Dexter Shoe Co., for 22 years. She loved her family, took pleasure in being busy, and enjoyed her summers at Old Orchard Beach. She enjoyed knitting, Chinese food and was famous for making her potato salad. She was a past member of Christian Science Church, Newport and enjoyed singing and playing the piano while attending there. Grammy could be heard often saying "God is guiding me" and her favorite hymn was Amazing Grace. She is survived by her two sons, Richard McMahon of Milo and Edward McMahon of Rapid City, S.D.; four grandchildren, Richard II, Randy, Ashlei and Chauncey; one great-grandchild, Mckenzie Claire McMahon; and a sister, Myrna Farris of Corinna. She was predeceased by her husband, Edward in 1988; three brothers, Richard, David and Roland Farris; and one grandchild, Corey McMahon.

Three Rivers Kiwanis, Milo - Brownville

Minutes of Meeting November 28, 2007

Sixteen members of Three Rivers Kiwanis met at The Restaurant last Wednesday morning and were joined by guests from the Dover-Foxcroft Kiwanis Club and the Dexter Sunrise Kiwanis Club. In addition, President Val Robertson also welcomed Josh Clement, Pres. of Penquis Valley Key Club, Rachel Larlee, Staff Advisor of the Penquis Middle School Builders Club and members Stephanie Vachon and Kaitlyn Durant. Crystal Macomber, daughter of Kiwanian Jim Macomber joined us and we were honored to have our current Lt. Governor of Div. 2, Maurice Neal, in attendance.

After the Pledge of Allegiance and Morning Prayer, Rachel Larlee gave an update on the activities of the Builders Club. There are currently 18 active members and the objective of the club is to get involved in community activities. They have already participated in the Tara Lilly Walkathon, the Walk to End Domestic Abuse, and helped at Milo Elementary with Kindergarten, Halloween book reading and fun activities. Upcoming activities include helping at the Manna Food Kitchen in Bangor, sending letters to troops, Christmas caroling, and helping with the Community Tree Lighting Ceremony, which is to be held Sunday, Dec. 2.

Birthdays this week: Leo Gray - Nov. 27

Anniversaries this week: Eben & Joanne DeWitt - Nov. 27

Happy and Sad Dollars were received for our Key Club’s and Builders Club’s great work, Jeremy Finson’s “Baby Shower for Jesus” where he collects baby gifts that are given to the Good Shepard Godparent Home; chance to sit in Eben’s seat; sad dollars for Eben’s illness, however.

Reading is Fundamental (RIF) book distribution was completed this week. Thanks to Heidi for organizing this terrific project, which gives, books to elementary school students as well as pre-school/nursery school and Head Start children. Our annual Variety Show proceeds go to this worthwhile project.

In the absence of Eben DeWitt, Ed Treworgy performed the induction ceremony of new member Catherine Graves. We are very happy to have Catherine as part of our club.

Our speaker today was Sheriff John Goggin from the Piscataquis County Sheriff’s Dept. John was a deputy for 19 years and has been Sheriff for 18 years. John enlightened us about the consolidation of the state’s jails as proposed by Gov. Baldacci. The plan is to close 3 county jails, including the Piscataquis County Jail, which is one of the least expensive jails to operate and one that brings in the most revenue. The cost of the Pisc. County Jail was just paid off last month. Because the jail also houses federal prisoners, additional revenue is received for this, which makes the jail much more profitable.

Due to the geographical situation, Sheriff Goggin feels that transferring back and forth between Penobscot County Jail and the Piscataquis Court House will increase expenses immensely due to transporting back and forth for processing, arraignment, back to the holding facility and then back to Pisc. County for a trial.

In addition, Sheriff Goggin informed us that if the Penobscot County Jail becomes overcrowded, our detainees would have to be transported to the Androscoggin Jail or the Cumberland County Jail, which would entail additional expense.

We wish to thank Sheriff Goggin for the informative presentation regarding this issue.

We would also very much like to invite anyone who is interested in becoming a member of Three Rivers Kiwanis to stop by and have breakfast with us on any Wednesday morning at 6:30 a.m. or talk to any Kiwanian if would like to join us.

Our speakers for the month of December are: December 5th - Bill Sawtell, Maine author, talking on KL; Dec. 19th, Katie Robertson speaking on the “Every 15 Minutes” Program.

http://www.every15minutes.com/enter.html
Join THE PROGRAM AT:
http://ourtownforums.net/viewforum.php?f=11&sid=ed85ee021c4e6e2c6a16e5b0093ecf12
Lois Trask, Sec.

Christmas Cancellation announcement from the United States Postal Service:
If you would like to have a letter from Santa to your child postmarked from the North Pole, put the letter you wrote “from Santa”, in a stamped envelope that is addressed to your child, complete with the North Pole as the return address, and put it in a larger envelope properly stamped and addressed to the address shown below. The letter must arrive at the address by December 16th, but the earlier the better!

North Pole Christmas Cancellation
Postmaster
5400 Mail Trail
Fairbanks AK 99709-99980

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AND


Adults: $ 2.00. Students: $ 1.00
These eight kittens were wondering what the heck was going on!! Mary Jean and Joyce were giving distemper shots at
the shelter, and the only way to keep track of who had shots was to separate the kittens by using a cat carrier. Mary
Jean took a picture when there were 7 in one carrier!! In case you are wondering...yes, some of these sweeties are still
available for adoption at PAWS. Call 943-5116.

Check out more kitties at: http://www.petfinder.com/shelters/ME40.html
or at
www.freewebs.com/penquisanimalwelfaresanctuary

**Milo Rabies Clinic**

To be held December 8, 2007 from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. for dogs and cats at the Milo Town Hall sponsored by the Town of
Milo and Foxcroft Veterinary. Charge for rabies vaccine is $8.00 and for distemper vaccine is $12.00.

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AND
Penquis Boys and Girls Exhibition Game at Penquis on Monday Dec. 3. Girls Varsity vs Greenville at
5:30. Penquis boys’ varsity 7:00.
Adults: $2.00. Students: $1.00