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## 12<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL CHRISTMAS DINNER

Freda and Everett Cook would like you all to know they are planning their annual Christmas Dinner at the Milo Town Hall, on Christmas Day at noon. The festive meal is free to anyone who would like to attend, so make your plans now.

Dinner will be served from 12 noon-1:30 PM. Homebound folks may get a meal delivered by calling 943-2493 in advance!

This is a chance, folks, to enjoy a great meal and warm company.



## A NEW YEAR'S 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. —

\$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.

### This Christmas season, don't forget the animals at PAWS!!

The Milo Farmer's Union on Park Street graciously allows us to have a receptacle in their entry-way. Needed items are listed there, and can be purchased there. Items we use are also available at Three Rivers Feed, such as bales of wood chips, and can be left on the porch of the shelter. You may also donate your returnables to PAWS. And as always, your generous donations of money in the cans at the registers at the Milo Farmer's Union make PAWS possible!



**Please help Kiwanis by donating towards the Secret Santa program.  
Donations can be made at both Camden National and  
Maine Savings Banks.**

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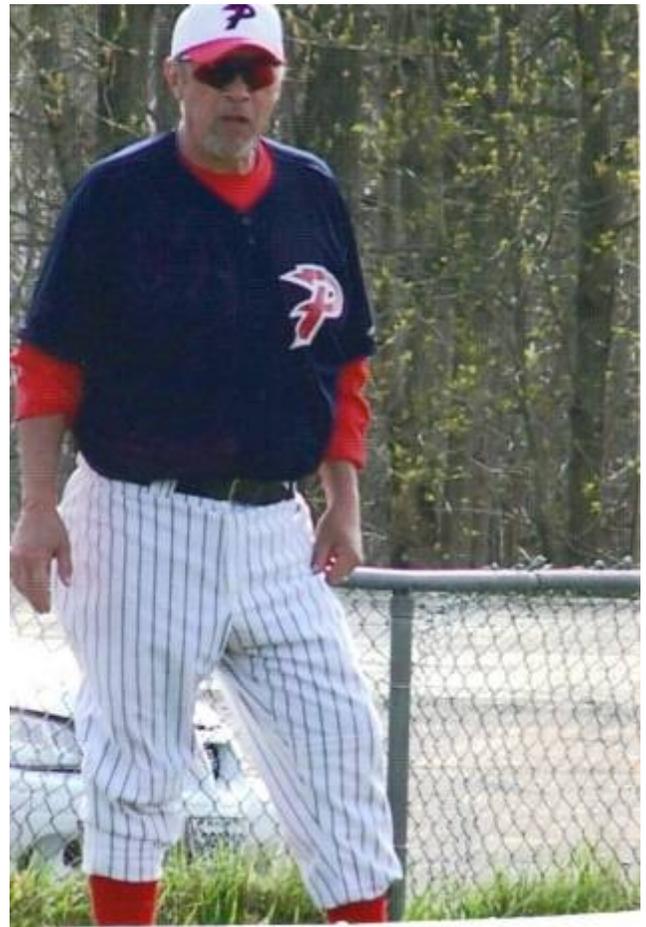
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*In loving memory of Murrel Harris  
Dec. 16<sup>th</sup>, 1945-April 29th, 2006*

*Life is a journey of both joy and pain.*

*Murrel embarked down the road of life bravely-enjoying the scenery, navigating the pitfalls and sharing his laughter with everyone he met. Now, Murrel's earthly journey is complete, for he has flown away on freedom's wings. Though he no longer walks among us, the footprints he left behind continue to guide us, and when our own journey comes to an end they shall lead us back home and back into his embrace.*

*While our hearts are still heavy with grief, our memory of the man that was lifts our spirits high. Know that our love for you is forever, for the husband and father you were.*

*Merry Christmas and Happy Birthday, Hon. We love and miss you more than anyone will ever know.*

*Your "Buttercup" and your children*

**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!

**LITTLE ONE WELCOMED**

Frank Edward Kelley III was born to Cristal Chase and Frank Kelley Jr. of Dover-Foxcroft on December 05, 2007. He weighed 8 pounds 4 ounces.

**GRAMMIE McCLEARY'S WEATHER**

**CHRISTMAS DAY- 1966**

**Snow all day-20° at 7 am-32° at 3:30 pm.**

**Brownville Town Office**

**The Brownville Town Office has a new website!**

**Check out [www.brownville.org](http://www.brownville.org)!!**

**FRIDAY - JANUARY 11, 2008**

The Piscataquis County Republican Committee will meet at 7:00 pm in the Piscataquis

Room, Mayo Hospital's Resource Center - Dwelley Ave., Dover-Foxcroft. All registered Republicans from the

County are encouraged to attend

this meeting. Mark Ellis, State Chairman of Maine

Republican Party will be our guest speaker.

On the agenda will be the upcoming 2008 Caucus.

**Refreshments will be served following the meeting.**

## AREA SCHOOL NEWS

*The Every 15 Minutes program will take place May 13th and 14th, not the 20th and 21st. There is a major scheduling conflict with the student council at the high school. The date was discussed at the 12/17 meeting. Spread the word.*



## COOK SCHOOL NEWS

Scott Macomber, Haley Bernard and Lindsay Turner were honored as Terrific Kids this week.

Mrs. Nott: Scott Macomber is my terrific kid this week. Scott has worked very hard to become a terrific kid. He is always the first one to help whenever I ask, he is always one



of the first students to get right to work, and he has been doing a great job following the school rules. Scott excels in

handwriting and I am sure by the end of the year his will look better than mine!

Miss Brown: Haley B has had a great week. She has tried really hard to follow directions and follow school rules. She has worked really hard on relationships with friends and teachers. She has worked hard on finishing work on time and doing the best she can on her assignments. She was a great helper during play practice and she helped others practice their lines. Congratulations Haley!

Miss K.: Lindsay is a Terrific Kid every day. Every person who has been lucky enough to be Lindsay's teacher agrees that Lindsay has been terrific since the day she walked into Kindergarten. She has a goal to exceed the standard as she works on all assignments. Lindsay is an outstanding reader and writer who has a wonderful sense of humor. She has a love of learning and that's one of the many reasons we love her!

Bus Kids: Aubrey, Dylan R., Cassidy

Birthdays: Aubrey (6), Haley B. (9), Harmony (10)

Special Awards from Mrs. Worcester for parents who give so much to our school: Jen Stone, Bobbi Jo, Jen Baker, Stacey Robichaud and Sonny Hayes

Caught Being Good Bags: Dakota H., Edward, Kyle, David, Dakota K.

Congratulations to all of our Terrific Kids and Adults. Our next Terrific Kid Assembly will be on January 4.



## JOB OPENINGS

**Come and grow with us!**

JSI Store Fixtures, Inc. is an industry leader in the manufacturing of supermarket store displays. JSI is a growing company and expects many employment opportunities beginning in January 2008.

JSI is looking for potential candidates for a variety of entry-level positions throughout the company as well as someone with a general plant maintenance background and a proficiency in CNC maintenance. Many of these positions require basic carpenter skills but if you are a team player, have a good work ethic and are willing to work overtime when necessary, then we would like to talk with you. Supervisors will be available on **Saturday, January 5<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.** to interview interested candidates.

Benefits include Healthcare, Dental and Life Insurances and a 401(k) plan.

If you would like to be considered for employment with JSI please complete an application in person between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Mon. – Fri. We are located at 140 Park Street in Milo.

An Equal Opportunity Employer

As we all know, Santa and Mrs. Claus of the North Pole are very busy this time of year placing finishing touches on all of the toys Santa has to deliver on Christmas Eve. That is why Santa and Mrs. Claus (Lloyd and Gertrude Johnston of

Milo) were willing to do their part by filling in at the Maine Veterans Home in Bangor at one of the units Christmas parties: **The photo taken by Rose Cross of MVHB shows Allan Horne enjoying their company:**



## Italy Part 4

By Virgil valente Monday Nov. 5

We had breakfast around 7:30. At 8:30 I left looking for a photo shop to buy a new battery for my camera. I finally found a shop near the Cathedral. It cost me \$22! I took the walk along the river to enjoy the scenery on the way back and missed the street our hotel was on. I finally had to ask a guy in the park where I was. Fortunately he spoke English and put me in the right direction. When I got back to the hotel, I had missed the lecture on the Renaissance and Fernanda was starting her talk on Italian with and without words. It is always enjoyable to learn all the hand signals the Italians use.

Around noon 15 of us struck off to find a pizza place for lunch. By the way, you don't order pepperoni pizza in Italy or you will get a pizza with peppers on it. You need to order salami. I got a medium salami pizza and a glass of wine for 7 Euros.

We returned to the hotel to catch a bus for our Tuscan Adventure tour. We left the city through one of the few remaining gates and passed a very large abbey. There are only three monks left there so they rent out rooms to keep the place up. Fernanda said a lot of people enjoy taking a vacation where they just meditate.

Our Tuscan adventure started with San Gimignano. The name doesn't translate well into English but it is close to Saint Jimmy. San Gimignano is a place I visited last time and fell in love with it. It is a medieval town that at one time had 72 towers used by families as fortresses to protect them against enemies both inside the town (other families) and from without. There are 14 towers remaining. Some of these are over 150 ft. tall. The towers were constructed during the 12 Century when there was a struggle between groups loyal to the Pope and others loyal to the German Emperor.

Busse are not allowed near the town walls, so we had to park at the foot of the hill and walk up. It was quite a walk for some of the older folks. We arrived for our visit around 2:45.

There are three walls surrounding the city showing its growth. It was a major stop for pilgrims on their way to Rome. Today there are only about 1500 people who live here and most of them live outside the city walls because little can be done to the buildings inside the town.

Fernanda took us along one of the outer walls for photo opportunities and then left us the cistern square (main square with a cistern to collect water in the center). I poked around a little going up to the old fort on the highest part of the hill. Later I met up with my sister Georgia. We bought three flavored gelatos or ice cream for 2.5 Euro and sat in some chairs in the main square to people watch. I had coffee, hazelnut and tiramisu.

We shopped our way out of town. I bought some plates and a cutting board made out of an olive tree.

The bus picked us up and took us about a mile away and then stopped so we could take pictures of the town as the sun was going down. It made a beautiful silhouette against the night sky, but it was a little too late for good pictures. Fernanda had a treat for us. We had wild boar sausage and a small amount of wine to sample.

The next stop on our Tuscan Adventure was the Castel Olivetto. This was another place I had been to before, but well worth a return visit.

First we got a tour of the public part of the Castle including the dungeon where they make wine. It is owned by a business man in Florence who keeps the second story as his private residence on weekends. After the tour we went into a small room for canapés. We had tuna, sausage mini pizzas, olive butter and sautéed mushrooms on small pieces of toast.

Next we had our wine tasting. There were two bottles of wine named after popes who had stayed at the castle and a couple of Chiantis all made in the dungeon of the castle. We were then taken to the banquet hall for our dinner.

We had fresh pasta with a marinara sauce. They even brought seconds for those who wanted it. The next course was Italian fries (cooked in olive oil made at the castle). Our main course was veal and turkey served with fried eggplant. Along with water, they served Chianti and with dessert (panna cotta with ice

cream) we had some Spumante which is sweet Italian Champagne.

During the meal people kept disappearing and coming back laughing. When I investigated I found that different people were trying out the Pope's bath tub. It was a marble one that was close to 3 feet deep. Then a few people tried out the Pope's bed. (The place is now a bed and breakfast as well and people can stay there.)

After we ate people had an opportunity to try the Grappa they make. It is made from the skins and seeds of grapes and is about 80 proof. Someone told one of the ladies that you are supposed to chug it. After she got her breath, all she could say was "OH MY!!"

We left to return to our hotel around 9. The bus driver put on some Dean Martin and Frank Sinatra so we could all join in singing. He flashed the lights on the inside of the bus to the



rhythm of the music. A wonderful time was had by all. We arrived back at the hotel around 9:45. I went to bed after writing in my journal while the younger crowd stayed at the bar to listen to the piano player.

The pictures are: two views from San Gimignano, Fernanda and my niece Kelley in the Pope's bath tub and the fresco over the fireplace in the banquet hall of Castel Oliveto. I would suggest that if you can go to the Three Rivers web site <http://www.trcmaine.org> and click on News to get the pictures in color.

### TARA LEA LILLY

"Well done, thy good and faithful servant."

OAKLAND - Tara Lilly, 32, went home to be with the Lord Dec. 15, 2007, after a courageous battle with cancer. Tara was born Sept. 19, 1975, in Bangor, and grew up in Milo. Tara loved life and lived it to its fullest. More than anything, she loved being a mother to her precious and beautiful children, Paige, 6; Eve, 5; Jude, 3 and Brynn, 1. Being a wife and mama was her calling in life, and from Girl Scout troops to family trips, to story hours at the library, to serving others at her church, she did it with zest, spunk and humor. To know her was to love her and she touched so many lives with her faith, determination and will. Her family will always cherish those special times at the lake, the memories of watching the children grow and the dignity with which she lived every moment. She leaves this world far too soon, but will now do God's work from up above. She married her husband, Ryan, in Farmington before adventures with graduate school and jobs brought them from



West Virginia to Colorado to Vermont and eventually back home to Maine.

In addition to her children and husband, she is survived by two loving parents, Robert and Marie Hayes of Milo; brother, Ryan Hayes and his wife, Joy, and their children; brother, Nathan Hayes and his wife, Crystal, and children; her loving sister, Kerrilyn Marzullo and her husband, Matt; her maternal grandparents, Raymond and Margaret Amsden; mother-in-law and father-in-law, Bruce and Sheila Lilly; and so many loving aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces, nephews, in-laws and countless dear friends. All that knew her are simply devastated and saddened by her passing. Her family has been blessed by the support that they have received during her illness and they are thankful for the immeasurable ways that they have felt God's mercy in this struggle. Visiting hours were at Wheeler Funeral Home, Oakland. A celebration of life funeral Mass was held at St. Theresa's Catholic Church, Oakland. Donations may be made to the Tara Lilly Fund, Maine Savings Bank, Milo, ME 04463. A contribution from this fund will be made to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital.

Editors Note: It goes without saying that our whole community mourns the loss of one of our children. We wish her family peace, love and comfort during the days ahead.

### TRC Community Calendar

Visit <http://calendar.trcmaine.org/> for a full listing.

#### Monday, December 24

9:00a Monday Morning Quilters

11:45a Meals for ME

2:15p Girl Scout Troop #299

6:00p Volley Ball

6:30p Atkinson Selectmen

7:00p Alcoholics Anonymous

7:00p Piscataquis Amateur Radio Club

#### Tuesday, December 25

3:00p Girl Scout Troop #594

5:00p D-F : Free Quit Smoking Workshop

5:30p Line Dancing

6:30p Post #92 Bingo

7:00p Sebec Planning Board

#### Wednesday, December 26

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 Wednesday Night Quilters

6:00p Yoga Level 1

6:30p LaGrange Selectmen

6:30p Order of the Rainbow

6:30p Boy Scout Troop #115

6:30p Brownville Selectmen

7:00p Overeaters Anonymous

7:00p Bowerbank Selectmen

#### Thursday, December 27

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 Post #92 Meeting

6:30p Line Dancing

6:30p BJHS Card Party

7:00p Sebec : Open Mic Night

#### Friday, December 28

11:45a Meals for ME

12:00p Three Rivers Senior Citizens

6:15p Post #41 Bingo

#### Saturday, December 29

11:00a Ofelia's Mobile Food Pantry & Thrift Store

#### Sunday, December 30

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](mailto: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/>

### Housing

#### APARTMENT FOR RENT

1 bedroom second floor 2 porches pay heat and electric. no dogs. Excellent neighbor. Contact: don crossman cro3don@msn.com or 207.279.0878

#### HOUSE FOR RENT

3 bedroom 1 and 1/2 baths large yard. Mildly cosmetically challenged, but inexpensive. Baseboard heat, small garage, nice neighbors. Children with manners welcome. Pay own utilities. Contact: don crossman cro3don@msn.com or 207.279.0878

## Milo Free Public Library News

By Judith D. Macdougall

Snow and more snow! Everyone will certainly be able to use their new skis, sleds, snowmobiles and other snow toys that they get for Christmas. What a change from the last few years. Snow is a nuisance to shovel, and expensive to remove, but it is so beautiful! It is also practical as it can bank our houses well. As fuel prices are rising, snow is a good insulator. Again, I repeat, if there is inclement weather (and hopefully it will be snow and not freezing rain or other causes of icy conditions) please call the library at 943-2612 to be sure we are open, so your trip downtown will not be a wasted one. So far our winter weather looks as if this advice could bear repeating often.

I mentioned last week that I had noticed in the *Bangor Daily News* a list of juvenile books with mostly Maine authors or illustrators. That same day a generous patron presented us with a \$100 check which covered the cost of the books very well. She did not know ahead of time that I was planning to purchase the books, but the gift worked out very well. Here is a list of the books:-

Bartlett, Susan

#### OPENING DAY

This book does not have either a Maine author or illustrator but certainly could take place in Maine as well as its locale of Vermont. The theme is hunting. Sam's parents do not believe in hunting, but want him to make up his own mind, so Sam goes hunting with his best friend, Eric, and Eric's father.

Hawkes, Kevin

#### THE WICKED BIG TODDLAH

Toddy is a big baby about the size Paul Bunyan might have been. This book, written and illustrated by Maine illustrator, Kevin Hawkes, tells of the adventures for his sister and family in this tall tale of Toddy's first year. There is plenty of humor in this story of Toddy and his small Maine town that didn't know what hit it.

Moss, Peggy

#### OUR FRIENDSHIP RULES

Dazzled by the new girl, Alexandria tells a secret about her former best friend, Jenny. Thankfully Alexandria realizes what she has lost and asks Jenny's forgiveness. Both girls work on new rules, and the friendship is mended.

Owens, Mary Beth

#### PANDA WHISPERS

This is a "Goodnight" book as various mother animals encourage their children to strive by speaking to them quietly.

Petrillo, Genevieve

#### KEEP YOUR EAR ON THE BALL

Davey is blind, but gets along as well as a sighted person in the classroom and other school areas. However, he has more problems on the playground. Eventually Davey and his classmates work together to figure out a way for him to play in games.

Plourde, Lynn

#### DINO-PETS

The illustrations in this book are marvelous as we watch this youngster choose a pet dinosaur from the pet store only to have the biggest not fit in the house and the fastest one run

away. There are problems with each dinosaur he chooses, but things go right in the end.

Seuss, Dr.

#### HOW THE GRINCH STOLE CHRISTMAS

Everyone, I'm sure, knows this story. No need to explain. However, we also purchased the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary volume which has 32 extra pages of notes and illustrations explaining how Dr. Seuss settled on his final illustrations for the Grinch.

Pam and I wish you a VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS

The library will be closed on MONDAY, DECEMBER 24<sup>TH</sup>

And MONDAY, DECEMBER 31.

#### Library Winter Hours

Mon. - Weds. - Fri. --- 2:00-8:00 Saturday 2:00-4:00

## Valerie Jean's New Year's Dinner

Call 943-7470 for reservations.

### Champagne

**Amuse:** goat cheese, grapefruit, and cashews.

**Starters:** Lobster Bisque, Chicken Liver Pate', Shrimp Cocktail, or Gruyere Crêpe (w/caramelized onions and mushrooms)

**House Salad:** Baby Spinach with Dried Cranberries and Pistachios in our Maple Vinaigrette.

### Entrees

1. Duck with Blueberry sauce
2. Fresh Maine Lobster meat poached in a citrus butter.
3. Potato Pancake with roasted vegetables and horseradish sauce.
4. Grilled Filet of Beef with béarnaise sauce.

**Dessert:** A sampler of ice cream puff, chocolate torte and cannoli.

\$50 per person does not include tax and gratuity.

## New Year's Day Champagne Brunch

A basket of Homemade Pastries

#### Starters:

Red Pepper and Crab Bisque and Fresh Fruit.

#### Entrees:

1. Bistro Benedict (2 poached eggs on a Filet of Beef and foccacia bread topped with Hollandaise).
2. Potato Pancake (with smoked salmon, capers, red onion and crème fraiche')
3. Orange-Almond Brioche French Toast with Bacon.
4. Tortilla (Spanish egg dish) baked with Asparagus, mushrooms, and gruyere cheese
5. Twisted caesar salad- Grilled shrimp, feta, avocado and bacon  
~\$20 per person~

*Three Rivers Kiwanis wishes everyone a happy and love-filled Christmas.*