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Due to time and computer factors, this is an abbreviated issue. Omitted items will be published next week.



HALEY FLANDERS-PATTEN RECEIVES MPA PRINCIPAL'S AWARD

(Milo) Haley Flanders-Patten of Atkinson, a senior at Penquis Valley High School has been selected to receive the 2008 Principal's Award, Principal Scott Gordon announced today. The award, sponsored by the Maine Principal's Association is given in recognition of a high school senior's academic achievement and citizenship.

"Throughout her four years at Penquis Valley, Haley has distinguished herself as a leader at Penquis Valley. She is widely respected for her work ethic, service to others, and the high standard which she sets for herself. "Haley Flanders-Patten has not only excelled in the classroom, but she has also been instrumental in putting positive changes into motion within our school. She has been an outstanding representative of Penquis Valley, and we are very proud of her efforts" Principal Gordon noted in making the award. "She is to be commended for an outstanding high school career."

Haley, Mr. Gordon and other award winners and their principals will attend an Honors Luncheon at the Spectacular Events Center on Saturday, April 5th, 2008 at 1:00pm.

The Honors Luncheon recognizes these outstanding students with the presentation of an individual plaque and the awarding of five \$ 1,000 scholarships in the names of Horace O. McGowan and Richard W. Tyler. Mr. McGowan and Mr. Tyler

were former Maine principals and executive directors of the association.

The Principal's Award is presented in more than 140 Maine public and private high schools by member principals of the MPA, the professional association which represents Maine school administrators.

Jeff Gahagan elected Milo's Town manager

An editorial by Valerie Robertson

The Town of Milo is in good hands. Jeff Gahagan, in my opinion, is the absolute best person to man Milo's town government.

It is no secret I am partial to Jeff and have been hoping he would be chosen. Jeff is a good friend to Milo, Kiwanis, and our town.

I have worked beside Jeff for hundreds of hours at numerous Kiwanis functions. Despite 100-degree heat or sub-zero cold Jeff maintains an amazing sense of humor, a dedication to the task and an unstoppable work ethic. He is one of the most intelligent people I know and his involvement in any project always adds an aura of respectability. Children as well as adults are attracted to his open and warm personality. His participation in the yearly Kiwanis Bike Rodeo has made it an event that is eagerly anticipated by area kids.

I have spoken with Jeff and he has already been busy investigating grant opportunities. He expressed a need to renovate the kitchen at The Milo Town Hall, as well as exploring every single grant that may be available for revitalization projects. He has been active in every single Kiwanis enterprise, so he knows where the need lies and how to explore resolutions. His background in finances and his education in town government, added to his amazing people skills, are a perfect combination and just what we need to head our town's government.

I would like to congratulate Jeff, and congratulate the Board of Selectpeople for their decision. The people of Milo now have a leader, and a friend.



Do you know me? I have been wandering between Prospect Street and the PAWS shelter. Call 943-2324 if you have any info!

STIMULUS PAYMENT PACKETS

The Milo Free Public Library has just received new income tax forms-STIMULUS PAYMENT PACKETS.

They are complete with 1040A forms, simple instructions for citizens who have not been filing in recent years and include a preaddressed envelope. You are encouraged to file as soon as possible to get your stimulus payment as soon as possible, but you must file Form 1040A with the IRS by October 15, 2008. Come in and take advantage of this specially prepared packet.

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Milo Free Public Library News

Judith D. Macdougall

Well, you will be able to buy this paper on Monday, March 31, the last day of March. On Thursday I read that the weather on Monday was to be sunny so I thought March was going to go out like a lamb. Now it appears that the weather may be more lion-like with snow. We'll just have to see what is in store for us. I checked my diary, and I discovered that the first day of March brought us 8" of snow-very Lion-like.

The trustees had a meeting on Monday, March 24, with five members present-Melanie Hussey, chair, Joanne DeWitt, secretary, Jerry Cole, Theda Cowing and Elaine Tardiff. Among the several subjects discussed was the fact that the library will be changing over to an electronic cataloging system. This system will involve lots of work on the librarians' part, and probably patience on the part of the patrons will be needed while the library staff is making the transition from the manual to the electronic system. Electronic cataloging will benefit the patrons as well as the library staff. Electronic cataloging will enable the library staff to do things more quickly and successfully but will be a learning experience for all of us-patrons and staff alike. In the end the process then should move smoothly and have been worth the hassle.

Pam and I were able to go through the last preview box this past week, and we were very pleased with the books in the Knowbuddy selection. Since we made our selections, Blaine Chadwick, the town hall janitor has taken the heavy boxes of books back to the town hall where they await the FedEx truck. We certainly appreciate Blaine's help. The books we selected were:

Backyard Animals

RABBITS
RACCOONS
SKUNKS
SQUIRRELS

Oceans Alive

LOBSTERS
PARROTFISH
SEA ANEMONES
SHARKS
WALRUSES

First Science

ELECTRICITY
ENERGY
LIGHT
MAGNETISM
MATTER
SOUND



We were very excited to give our summer reading program-CATCH THE READING BUG-materials this week. Pam and I had a good time checking out the incentives, and everything looks as if it will be lots of fun as younger patrons get more reading practice to take them over the summer gap. Remember this fun reading program will be coming up in June. More about this later.

We had most of the Lemony Snicket series-A Series of Unfortunate Events-but had not added the last two books. Julie Flagg and her son, Tommy, enjoyed the 11 books in our collection, and then purchased the last two themselves. They then generously donated those two books to the library to complete our collection. Thank you, Julie and Tommy. The titles are:

#12 THE PENULTIMATE PERIL

#13 THE END

While continuing to talk about books, we have also added to our collection recently the latest Ken Zwicker book.

SUCCESS TAKES MANY EXPERIENCES

It relates Ken's experiences of journalism, war and humor from 1940-1980. Bill Sawtell informed us about the book and through his thoughtfulness, we were able to purchase it for our collection.

Just when we thought we were finished announcing new INCOME TAX FORMS, we received a box today of special packets of 1040A STIMULUS FORMS. These packets contain the 1040A forms, special instructions for the citizen who

hasn't needed to file lately and a preaddressed envelope. In other words, all you'll need to have for the special STIMULUS PAYMENT. If you wish to receive the stimulus payment it is best to file as soon as possible, but YOU MUST FILE by OCT. 15, 2008. Be sure to tell others who may need them that these special packets are available in your local library.

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

American Jamboree a HUGE success!!

Submitted by Karen Clark and Frank Cochrane

The American Jamboree that was held March 29th at the Milo Performing Arts Center was hailed a smashing success! Over 250 people were seated on the main floor with over flow choosing to sit in the balcony! (Note who also were seen in the balcony) "Izzy and Doug":

Thank you Ron Knowles!

Thank You Rod Carr and all the musicians!

Thank you Paws and all ... for the great supper and other refreshments!

Next Performance is scheduled sat: April 26th Everyone is welcomed!





Two notable couples from Saturday's Jamboree.

Thursday, March 27
 11:45a Meals for ME
 4:30p Tae Kwon Do Class
 6:00p Boy Scout Troop #112
 6:00p Post #92 Meeting
 6:30p Line Dancing
 6:30p BJHS Card Party

ATTENTION PENQUIS ALUMNI!!

There will be a meeting of the Penquis Valley Alumni Association reunion planning committee on March 28 at 6:00 pm at Brownville Elementary School.



Friday, March 28
 11:45a Meals for ME
 12:00p Three Rivers Senior Citizens
 6:15p Post #41 Bingo

Saturday, March 29

Sunday, March 30
 2:30p Tiny Tigers Tae Kwon Do
 6:00p Alcoholics Anonymous
 6:00p Brownville Jct. : Scrapbooking
 7:30p Alcoholics Anonymous

TRC Community Calendar

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

Monday, March 24

9:00a Monday Morning Quilters
 11:45a Meals for ME
 6:00p Volley Ball
 6:30p Atkinson Selectmen
 7:00p Alcoholics Anonymous
 7:00p Piscataquis Amateur Radio Club

Tuesday, March 25

9:00a Womancare Outreach
 5:30p Line Dancing
 6:00p Brownville Planning Board
 6:30p Post #92 Bingo
 7:00p Sebec Planning Board

Wednesday, March 26

6:30a Three Rivers Kiwanis
 10:00a Church Thrift Shop
 6:00p K.I. Riders
 6:00p Wednesday Night Quilters
 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

LET US SEE YOUR STUFF !

The annual Kiwanis Variety Show will be May 2 and 3. All area singers are invited to sing in the Community Chorus. The next practice will be Monday, March 31, at the Milo Elementary School portable building at 6 P.M. We hope to see you there! For further information, call Stephanie Gillis, 943-2470 or Val Robertson if you have an act to perform.

The theme is
 "Anything Goes." And we mean it!!



THE LAGRANGE COMMUNITY SUPPORT GROUP IS HOSTING A BEAN & HOT DOG SUPPER ON APRIL 5, 2008 FROM 5 TO 7 P.M. AT THE MASONIC HALL IN LAGRANGE. BEANS, HOT DOGS, COLE SLAW, ROLLS, DESSERTS AND DRINKS. ADMISSION IS \$5 FOR ADULTS, \$2.50 FOR AGES 4 TO 16 AND FREE FOR AGES 3 AND YOUNGER. HIS & HER BASKET RAFFLE AT THE DOOR! ALL PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT THE MARION C. COOK PTO AND VETERAN'S ASSOCIATION. PLEASE CALL JEN BAKER AT 943-2402 FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.

PAWS OPEN HOUSE---Saturday, April 12th....Check here next week for details.