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(Check out pictures from the program on the last page, taken by our Kiwanian friend,
Karen Horne Clark)

WE HONOR AND THANK OUR VETERANS!

Key Club with Camille

Camille greeted Vets at the Appreciation Dinner.

Hey there! It's the Penquis Valley Key Club again just



The atmosphere at the Milo Town hall was one of excitement and hope last Tuesday as voters lined up to change the course of history. Russell Carey made sure his students experienced the day by walking groups from school to the polls..

Because of the sacrifices our service people and their families have made and are making, we are a country that is showing the world what true democracy is. We thank you for all you've done and for our future!

updating you on what we've been up to. The Key Club meets every Thursday in room 13 of the Penquis Valley High School, at 11:45. The officers of the Key Club include Josh Clement - President, Katy Korona - Vice President, Camille Cramer - Secretary, Hanna Backus - Treasurer, Paige McGuiness - Historian, Kelsey Ottmann -Bulletin Board Editor, Katie Joyner-Robertson and Val Robertson as advisors.

The Key Club's biggest project at the current time is our involvement in the annual Veterans Day Dinner at the Milo Town Hall. Every year around this time the club joins Kiwanis and surrounding Legion posts to put together a wonderful dinner for our honorable veterans. Members help with serving the dinner,(which was a wonderful turkey meal), setting up before hand, and cleaning at the end. At last week's meeting we decided on two different shifts to be held for volunteers. One shift will begin at 9:00 a.m. and focus on the food preparations, decorating, and set up. The other shift at 10:00 will be for actually greeting the veterans, serving food, and cleaning up afterwards. Compared to previous years, more kids volunteered to help with clean-up services verses the "fun-stuff", but believe me, we aren't complaining! For this dinner we have a very well-rounded group of kids eager to honor our veterans. After all, the veterans are the reason that we members can be part of Key Club, attended our school safely, and be proudly active in our community and beyond. So if you are a veteran reading this article on behalf of our club, we thank you for everything that you have done and continue to do for us. November 11 is for you.

***When you see someone in a uniform
Someone who serves us all,
Doing military duty,
Answering their country's call,***

**Take a moment to thank them
For protecting what you hold dear;
Tell them you are proud of them;
Make it very clear.
Just tap them on the shoulder,
Give a smile, and say,
"Thanks for what you're doing;
To keep us safe in the USA!"
- Joanna Fuchs**

On the theme of Veteran's Day, I'd like to mention the great job the Penquis Valley Student Council did putting together the Veterans assembly at our school. It really embodied what Veterans Day is about and the feeling of appreciation from our school. Great job to you all!

Penquis Valley Key Club is proud to support, serve and update our community every chance we get. After all, our motto is...**Caring - our way of Life.** Respectfully Submitted, Camille Cramer PVHS Key Club Secretary

The Milo Elementary Drama Club will perform Disney's "The Aristocats" on Friday, November 14, 7PM, at the Milo Town Hall. Admission is \$3.00. Refreshments will be on sale before the show.

The monthly meeting of the Milo Garden Club will be held at the Milo Town Hall on Nov. 18 at 1 p.m. Program: "Making Snow Jars". Bring jelly jar and any decorations. Also, bring items for the local food cupboard.



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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!

AREA SCHOOL NEWS

Milo Elementary PTO Thanks The Community For Their Support

The Milo Elementary School PTO would like to thank everyone who helped to make this year's Fall Auction a success. Businesses and individuals generously donated products, services, and homemade items and community members came out to purchase them - all of which allowed the PTO to raise funds which will help to enhance the experiences of students at Milo Elementary School. The funds raised provided a record amount from this event, and will be used to bring Rick Charette to perform at the school, purchase materials requested by teachers for their classroom programming, and put on events for students such as the Fall Frolic. Thank you to everyone for your generous support.

The Brownville Elementary School celebrated how proud they are at a special Citizenship Assembly, Thursday, October 30. Everyone was encouraged to wear red, white and blue. The upper grades provided the program. The third grade



led the group in a patriotic song. The fourth grade presented a skit written by Mrs. Burgess. The fifth grade explained what a good citizen says. The sixth grade provided the introduction, lead the Pledge of Allegiance, and spoke of the importance of being a responsible citizen and the importance to get out and vote. This picture shows the sixth grade dressed in the old band uniforms of the PVHS band.

COOK SCHOOL NEWS

Kaela Perry, Kortnie Stone, and Sariah Harmon were honored as Terrific Kids at our November 7th assembly.

Mrs. Nott: Kaela is my terrific kid this week. Kaela does a great job with her morning routine and always comes to school happy and ready to work. Kaela works hard in all areas and does a good job paying attention during lessons. Kaela is doing a better job of attending to her own work and not worrying about other students not being on task. Keep up the great work, Kaela!

Mrs. Johnston: Kortnie comes in every morning with a smile on her face and ready to go to work. She always has her homework and planner, and often does extra homework! She works hard on all her assignments, and is quick to remind the boys around her that it's a work time and that they need to get to work as well.

Miss K.: Sariah has worked really hard to earn Terrific Kid this week. She has arrived with a smile on her face

and a great attitude. I have enjoyed seeing her sense of humor shine through. Thanks Sariah for helping to organize the classroom after lunch. Congratulations.

Bus Awards: Sonny P., Kylee Trafton, Colleen Demaris

Happy Birthday: Kylee 8, Bree-Anna 8

Caught Being Good Prize Winners: Colleen, Sonny P., Ethan, Destiny, Sonny H.

PTO Fall Raffle tickets are available. Please contact the school at 943-2196 or see any PTO member.

Congratulations to all of our Terrific Kids and adults!

Our new slide is officially open! A ribbon cutting ceremony was held on a rainy Thursday afternoon. 4th and 5th grade students wrote and read "from the heart" letters expressing their thanks to our fantastic playground committee for their dedication in making the playground a reality. 1st grader Mackayla Hamm, Mrs. Nott, Mrs. Johnston, and Miss K. were honored to have been selected to cut the ribbon. Our goal is to raise \$10,000 for the final piece of equipment.



The polls were busy at the Cook School on Election Day. Thanks to Jen Baker for serving as our official with the assistance of student Colleen Demaris. 4th and 5th grade students took seriously their job of escorting their younger friends to the voting booth. The final Tally as declared by the 4th and 5th grade class:

Obama 34 ---- McCain 18

In other races, Senator Collins, Representative Mike Michaud, local Representative Bob Duschene and local Senator Elizabeth Schneider were declared as the winners.

BROWNVILLE ELEMENTARY TERRIFIC KIDS



K-Yarrow Pinkham 1-Bryan Bolstridge 2-Orion Pinkham 3-Joey Faria 4-Jazymn Gray 5-Whole 5th grade class (Evan Bolstridge representative) 6-James Gerrish-Baker



Citizen of the Week -Jordan Durant
MSAD 41 NOVEMBER BREAKFAST MENU

10-Grape uncrustable with juice and milk every day.
11-WW pancakes, cheese stick and syrup.
12-Breakfast pizza.
13-Muffins and cheese sticks.
14-Breakfast sandwich.
17-Bagels w/cream cheese and gogurt.
18-Oatmeal and yogurt.
19-Breakfast pizza.
20-Muffins and cheese sticks.
21-Egg omelet and toast.

Lunch menu

10-Chickenburger on a roll, rice pilaf, peas, dinner roll with milk and fruit every day.
11-VETERAN'S DAY No School
12-Tacos w/cheese, salsa, kernel corn and rice pilaf.
13-Bologna & cheese sandwich, chicken soup and crackers.
14-Hamburg pizza, salad and fruit cookie.
17-Chicken fajita strips, rice pilaf, peas and dinner roll.
18-Shepards pie, mixed veggie and dinner roll.

19-Pizza bagels and salad.

20-Thanksgiving Dinner/Turkey/gravy, whipped potato, glazed carrots, stuffing, cranberry sauce, dinner roll and apple crisp.

21-Ham, cheese & pickle sandwich, carrot & celery sticks and assorted desserts.

THANKSGIVING VACATION

GRAMMIE McCLEARY'S WEATHER NOVEMBER 1974

11-H Frost sunny-48° at 12.-12 & 13-Rain-38° at 7 am.

14-M Cloudy-44° at 9:30 pm.-15-Rain am Cloudy-38° at 12.

16-Mostly cloudy-38° at 9 pm. 17-Sunny am Cloudy pm rain in evening.

Eastern Area Aging Local Meals for Me. Hall Happenings

Happy November, this is going to be a busy month for our seniors. We would like to invite all area seniors to join us at the dining halls (suggested donation for meals is \$3.00 for seniors, \$5.00 for all others who would like to join us.

Meals in Milo are held Mondays and Thursdays at the Milo Town Hall Dining Room. Meals are served at 11:45

November 13 Monthly Birthday party

November 20 Thanksgiving dinner

Menu

Turkey, Gravy, Stuffing

Mashed potato, Squash

Peas & Pearl Onions

Dinner Roll, Pumpkin Pie

Meals are held Friday at the Quarry Pines recreation room. Meals are served at 11:45.

November 14 Monthly Birthday Party

November 20 Thanksgiving dinner

Both Halls would like you to come early (10:15) and play some Bingo. This is a fun social time for all and gives you a chance to get out of the house and enjoy some time with others. For a reservation to either hall please call 943-2488.

Remember: Brighten a seniors Day- become a Meals for Me. volunteer

Meals For Me Press Release: The Eastern Area Agency on Aging elected Jane Fairchild to be on the Board of Directors representing Piscataquis County. Robin Lyford, Piscataquis County coordinator for Meals for ME was honored by the EAAA for her extraordinary service with the program. This honor is given only to one staff per 4 counties served by EAAA.

COMMUNITY POT LUCK DINNER TO HONOR BROWNVILLE FIREFIGHTERS

*Wednesday, November 19, 2008 at the B.J.H.S Alumni
Hall on Railroad Avenue in Brownville beginning at
6:00PM*

*Please join us as we thank the dedicated members
of the Brownville Fire Department who donate their time
and talents to serve our citizens.*

*Dinner is free for those who contribute food for the meal -
Other wise: \$5.00 per adult and \$3.00 per child under 12*

*(Please contact the Town Office at 965-2561, 965-8639,
or at manager@brownville.org if you plan to bring food)*

*Proceeds to benefit the Brownville Firefighter Auxiliary
Fund*

Milo Free Public Library News

By Judith D. Maccougall

I'm sorry that there was no column last week, but I lost several days at the library due to ill health, and our home computer was not capable of sending the column to the paper.

Well, November has arrived with bare trees, gray drizzly clouds but surprisingly warm weather.

Pam, my assistant, and I have had company this past month. Her daughter, Becky, was here for a month's visit getting to see her mother and siblings in Maine, as she won't be able to be here for Thanksgiving and Christmas. My son, Arthur, visited us for several days to do some insulating for us and also visited relatives and a sibling. With Pam and me taking turns to be out of the library, the substitutes were very busy. When I counted up the days, Pam and I had only worked eight days together during the month of October. We are lucky to have substitutes that are eager to come into the library and enjoy doing library work. All four take part in doing book processing and two (maybe more) are anxious to learn how to do bar code processing. It is very relaxing to know that when I call a substitute, she will usually say "yes" unless there is a definite reason why she cannot work. In fact, one of our subs, Dearle Flint, enjoys the library so much she comes in to dust even when she isn't working. She enjoys the patrons, the camaradie and also knowing that she is helping to clean and organize the library as our small staff can't always get to the latter jobs due to time restraints. We appreciate having such a great substitute base.

In the fall of 2002 Nancy Cotter Pickle and her husband, Lin, came to the library. Her grandmother, Florence M. Cotter had been the first librarian for the Milo Free Public Library in 1924. Nancy came because her father, H. Eugene Cotter, wanted to hear and see how the library was doing. Lin took video of the changes to show Nancy's father. When Eugene passed away the next year, Nancy and her sisters named the Milo Free Public Library as a recipient for memorial gifts in his name. We received many financial gifts, and with them purchased our photocopier, books, office chairs and a heavenly stuffed chair in which our patrons enjoy relaxing. As Nancy and Lin have dropped into the library through the years, they have brought us other gifts. One year Nancy brought a funny decorated pumpkin for the front steps of the library. I must admit I had misgivings that it would stay there, but it did stay well into November, when the janitor finally had to remove it. One fall several years ago, Nancy sent the library a Dr. Seuss Cat-In-The-Hat hat from the nearby town of Springfield, MA, which had been home to Dr. Seuss. The hat

has been worn by many happy children through the years for fun and laughs. It has also been worn by an adult several times as he supervised children getting into their rides after children's programs. These last few weeks it has had another purpose. It has been worn for learning. A BSI worker has been bringing her young reader in to practice his reading. He loves the hat and feels it helps him to do better on his reading. He looks so cute with his hat on as he reads and sounds out words with his tutor. I e-mailed this story to Nancy as a way of thanking her again for her many kindnesses to our library, and she was pleased to know the hat continues to be enjoyed as she hoped it would be when she gave it to the library. When the hat is not being worn, it decorates the shelf next to our Dr. Seuss books.

We received two rather unique juvenile books from the Junior Library Guild this month. *The Porcupine Year*, written and illustrated by Louise Erdrich, is an engaging account of a year in an Ojibwe family's life. Ms. Erdrich is a member of the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa and was inspired to write her juvenile series when she and her mother were researching their own family history.

Stolen by Vivian Vande Velde is about a girl who may have been stolen by a witch. The author used a closed third-person narrative, combined with the child's amnesia. The reader experiences the story only through Isabelle's eyes, knowing only as much about her and her situation as she does. These two books should be of interest to young readers from grades 2-7.

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



WHAT'S UP DOC?

By: Dr. Kevin Chasse
 Q: What causes carpal tunnel syndrome?

A: Carpal tunnel syndrome is caused from prolonged compression of the median nerve ingested by structures and tissues in the wrist including the carpal bones, several forearm tendons, and the retinaculum, which is a ligamentous structure that holds the tendons and carpal bones in place. Unfortunately, with repetitive use, these forearm tendons start to enlarge or even become inflamed and begin to squeeze and congest the median nerve. This can create numbness, tingling, and weakness in the hand with particular distribution to the thumb side of the hand, mainly digits 1,2, and 3. Treatments for carpal tunnel syndrome can start with conservative measures including anti-inflammatory medications, massage, stretching, and time. If symptoms, persist or worsen, chiropractic management can include hand/wrist manipulations along with a tissue massage to the involved tendons, ultrasound therapy, and exercise instruction. If this is unsuccessful, the patient is often referred for consideration for a steroid injection or possible carpal tunnel release surgery. Oftentimes, patients are diagnosed with carpal tunnel syndrome incorrectly. It is not uncommon for nerve entrapment syndromes to originate more proximal to the carpal region, possibly the shoulder or neck region, producing

similar symptoms. With these situations, surgical intervention is inappropriate.

I hope this helps answer your question. Feel free to contact me at my office if you have further questions.

Dr. K
 564-2211

**AMERICAN JAMBOREE'S
 COUNTRY WESTERN JAM**



**SPONSORED BY: THREE RIVERS KIWANIS
 AT THE MILO TOWN HALL
 SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 2008
 6:00--9:00 PM**

**DONATIONS TO BENEFIT THE
 "SECRET SANTA" PROJECT**
 Doors open at 4:30 pm. Refreshments on sale. Door Prizes! And the Murrel Harris 1st Annual Memorial 50/50 Raffle Drawing (Over \$1,000 total sold already!)

SECRET SANTA

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 or Camden National Bank, Main St., Milo ME 04463
 If any organizations or individuals wish to

adopt children please contact George Barton.
Requests for *Children Only (under 16)* will
come to us from the Milo & Brownville Town
Offices, the Milo & Brownville Elementary
Schools & Head Start.

Please remember that Christmas is a good time to
get involved with caring for the needs of others,
especially children.

Three Rivers Kiwanis, Milo-Brownville

November 5, 2008
Regular Meeting Minutes

There were 18 members in attendance at the morning meeting at Sandee's Restaurant. There were also two members, Josh and Morgan, from the Key Club and Kendra Hall from the Builder's Club. Dover-Foxcroft had an inter-club in attendance with four members present. Special visitor today was Virginia Macomber.

Eben DeWitt led us in the Pledge of Allegiance and Herb Dunham offered the morning prayer. Birthdays this coming week are Karen Ladd, Laurel Harris, and Amber Gahagan.

Happy/Sad Dollars: thrilled with our country's election; \$1043.00 dollars has been raised so far with Secret Santa 50/50; happy for Obama; happy to share the wealth; good fall weather; successful business conference; and, happy the election is over.

Inter-club schedule-next Thursday, November 13th at Guilford and the 18th in Greenville. Next week, November 12th is the Lt. Governor's visit to our club. Kiwanis members will also be inter-clubbing with the Key Club on Thursdays and the Builder's Club on Mondays.

George has seven winterization kits that he has picked up for the Key Club and will be working with them to deliver and/or install these kits.

Bonnie Hurley has delivered applications for the Secret Santa program and will be collecting them by the end of November.

Veteran's Day Dinner committee will need help with food prep at 5:00 on Monday, November 10th. Kiwanians and Key Club will set up the tables at 9:00 on the 11th and prepare the food for the 12:00 meal. The POW/MIA program will be presented at 11:45 and Mrs. Gillis and her students will provide a music program during the meal.

The RIF committee met on October 29th to plan distributions and met again on November 3rd to sort and stamp the books for Milo Elementary. A fun time was had by all. The committee has also contacted Nancy Willinski at the LaGrange Elementary to assist with their school's book distribution.

Program speaker was Julie Royal, a reading specialist at the Milo Elementary School. Julie has been responsible for the Reading Is Fundamental (RIF) program at the school for the last few years. RIF is the oldest and largest program devoted to ensuring that children and families learn the value of reading. Funding for RIF programs comes from corporate and foundation donations and service organizations, such as the Kiwanis. The goal of the RIF program is to provide a free book for all children, Pre-k to 6th grade, in our community three times a year. Funds that support this goal are raised primarily through the Annual Variety Show sponsored by Kiwanis.

Approximately 350 children are provided with books each year across Milo, Brownville, and LaGrange schools and pre-schools with a \$2,700.00 budget for the 2008-09 school year. Since the Kiwanis RIF program started here in 2003 there have been many exciting events, such as Clay Stevens receiving an honorable mention in a RIF poster contest and Milo/Brownville students winning medals for hours read during a Reading Challenge event.

Books are distributed three times a year during RIF distribution events within the elementary schools and at the Milo Day Care, Happy Faces Nursery, and the Milo Head Start program. Children have expressed their gratitude at receiving their books through drawings, letters, essays, and tears of joy. Kendra Hall wrote an essay expressing her pleasure in reading and thankfulness for receiving books through the RIF program. This essay will be published in an upcoming *Three Rivers News*.

Presently, the Key Club members are reading in all three elementary schools as part of their Live to Learn club project. They are providing positive role models for young students who are just learning to read and coordinate their reading schedule with Julie Royal.

The week of November 10th, National Book Week, will be a distribution week at Milo and Brownville Elementary schools. The preschools will have distributions later in November. During the distribution week Kiwanis members can volunteer to be readers daily by contacting Julie Royal at 943-2122. Reading times are 8:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Children will have an opportunity to explore the books throughout the week and then will select the book of their choice to take home on Friday.

The Three Rivers Kiwanis extends a special thank you to Julie Royal for her commitment to the RIF program over the past few years. She has made it possible for this valuable program to continue to grow in our community through volunteering her time in writing proposals for discounted books, ordering, organizing, and overseeing the distribution of books to the Milo and LaGrange Elementary schools. Thank you also to Kendra Hall for sharing her essay with the Kiwanians today. It was inspirational and strengthens our ongoing commitment to the RIF program.

Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by Heidi Finson, Secretary.

November 6, 2008 Board Meeting Minutes

Board members present were Jeff Gahagan, Virgil Valente, Val Robertson, Jan Barton, Ethelyn Treworgy, George Barton, Bobby Ellison, and Heidi Finson. Janet Richards was absent.

Secretary minutes approval was tabled until the December meeting due to members not having a copy today. Heidi will bring to future meetings.

Jeff Gahagan gave a treasurer's report. Virgil moved to accept as read and Jim seconded. All in favor.

George discussed the requirement of an annual audit. Jeff presented the option of starting a monthly warrant that the treasurer and board will jointly review and approve as a means of providing an on-going audit system. Jan moved to accept the proposed warrant reporting system and Ethelyn seconded. All in favor.

The board discussed further auditing beyond the board and a motion was made by Jim to amend the warrant reporting system to having a Kiwanian, not on the board, audit

the budget on a yearly basis in addition to monthly auditing by the board. Jan seconded. All in favor.

Heidi gave the dues bill to Jeff for payment and has received a request from Kiwanis International for an annual gift. Jeff will send a \$50.00 donation to Kiwanis International.

Veterans Day plans were discussed. This meal is provided free to veterans and families of veterans. Val is chairing this committee. A sign-in sheet for Kiwanian volunteers was suggested for the event and will be used to complete monthly reports to Kiwanis International.

Jamboree plans were discussed and food will be provided for this event. Ethelyn is chairing this event and will be contacting members for assistance as needed.

Secret Santa project was discussed. Bonnie Hurley chairs this project and reported to George that there are fewer coats available from the Salvation Army this year. It may be enough to meet the needs based on previous years experiences. Val will place a request for donations to the Secret Santa fund in the weekly newsletter and George will get a press release to Jim for the local papers. Camden National Bank has an account to accept donations on behalf of Secret Santa. George will talk to Bonnie about the process of adopting a child by community members and organizations on behalf of Secret Santa.

We are currently seeking a president-elect as Tom Harrigan has stepped down and Janet will not be able to serve as president next year. A nomination committee will need to address this and the need will be brought to club members' attention.

An e-mail motion to purchase a wireless microphone for \$289.00 that would expand the use of the portable sound system for Kiwanis events and the vote was discussed and recorded for the board minutes. Ethelyn made a motion to purchase a wireless microphone, which was seconded by Jeff. Six board members replied in favor through email to George Barton and the motion was passed on October 9th. Ethelyn has made the purchase and submitted a receipt to Jeff.

Shirley Wright has submitted her resignation due to change in work location and inability to attend morning meetings. She will be on the roster for another year as her resignation was not received by September 30th. Jeff moved to accept the resignation with regret and Bobby seconded. All in favor. Members discussed sending out dues bills in August of each year so members who wish to resign can do so before September 30th and be removed from our roster. We will start this in August of 2009.

Monetary support to offset costs for the Lt. Governor of Division 2 was discussed. The Lt. Governor's position requires extensive travel to meetings and conferences that is not all reimbursed by Kiwanis International. Heidi made a motion to donate \$50.00 to Division 2 to support Lt. Governor costs and Val seconded. All in favor. Paul Raymond is the Division Treasurer and Jeff will forward the check from our administrative account.

The board discussed the benefits of purchasing a color printer for the newsletter and event posters as needed. There are funds available in the newsletter account to pay for a printer and color cartridge costs. The cost will be approximately \$600.00 to get set up initially. Jan made a motion to purchase the printer and Ethelyn seconded. All in favor. Val will order the printer and get it set up.

Discussed support for a Milo Is A Friendly Town sign. This is being done by a community member so we will not need to progress will a plan.

George sent an email with club program chairs and schedule for the 2008-09 year to the board. Heidi made a motion to have morning meetings on Nov. 26, 2008, December 24, 2008, and December 31st, 2008; and, November 25, 2009 and December 30, 2009. Jeff seconded. All in favor. Event dates were discussed but more information will need to be available from event organizers, other community events, and availability of the Town Hall before dates can be set for 2009.

Ethelyn presented a \$200.00 request for quilting materials for a Before School program overseen by Myrna Ricker that we have supported in the past. Heidi made a motion to donate \$200.00 to the Kid's Quilting program and Virgil seconded. All in favor. This would be considered supporting a community service project. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Heidi Finson, Secretary

Reading

by Kendra Hall

I think we read to get adventure in our lives. If we went our whole lives without a different story, our lives would be very boring. As soon as you open that book, you can escape and be in a completely different life. It is your time to be something different, someone you have always wanted to be. You have fun with it and forget all about your troubles and things outside it.

Reading and writing connect because you need to know how to write to read. You read something that you don't want to forget...so you write it down. It's really simple actually; as soon as you write something down, you read it over; it's just your first instincts. You wouldn't be able to do that if you couldn't read. Reading and writing are like an apple and worm...pencil and eraser, they never separate.

I love to read because you can pick it. Whenever I have a bad day, I read. Just to get my mind off things. Once I finish a good book, it's awesome! You never get sick of it. Like when you watch a good movie, it's hard to keep watching it over and over, because you can't watch it a different way every time. When it comes to reading a book over and over again, you can always read it a different way and think about it different too.

These are just some of the feelings I have about reading. I think I can thank the RIF program for a lot of these feelings. The RIF program is what got me into reading. I enjoyed getting the books because it was something to look forward to in school! I really want to let the RIF program know that I appreciate it!

Editor's Note- Kendra read this at a Kiwanis meeting and we were all so proud of her and how well she expresses herself..

An Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service will be held at Brownville Community church on Wednesday, November 26th at 7:00pm. All offerings of non-perishable food and monies will go to the Ecumenical Food Cupboard.



The Cook School students celebrated our Veterans at a special assembly held on November 10th. Projects were displayed and each class presented information, poems and songs. Together, we sang, "America the Beautiful" and "God Bless the USA." At the conclusion of the assembly, the students honored Mr. John Willinski on his 83rd birthday. They enjoyed counting by 5's. :)



Stephanie and the songsters from school
View from the balcony.



Ken Rhoda and daughter Kathy(She bought her Dad over from Pleasant Meadows assisted living in Dover-Foxcroft).

Charles Decker.. who I believe was the oldest Vet attending at 89:



The POW/MIA Table



And Thank You, Karen!