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Tuesday, March 10, 2009 Volume 8 Number 19

The Milo Garden Club will hold its next meeting on March 10 at the Milo Town Hall at 1 p.m. Program: Sally Smith of the Country Junction in Bradford.

We would also like to thank the Brownville Junction Methodist Church for the use of the church for our race (and meetings) and Mike Cooney from the KAC for coming to help with the race.

Maine-ly Nutrition



Sue Henner visited students at Brownville Elementary and helped them learn the health benefits of eating a variety of foods. Students learned the importance of choosing foods from all food groups and eating a variety of "colors". They had fun decorating aprons and bags using different stamps from these food groups.



From left to right 1st Place-Andrew Gallant of Brownville; 2nd Place-Mathew Hamlin of Dover-Foxcroft; 3rd Place-Cory Ouellette of Brownville Alternate; and Best in Show-Hunter Harrison of Brownville Junction



On Saturday, February 28, 2009, Brownville Jct. Cub Scout Pack 112 raced in their 1st Annual Pinewood Derby Race. The winners will be going to the Airport Mall to race in the district races on March 28, 2009, at 9 a.m. Those who wish to come down to the Scout Show and support your local scout packs in the races can purchase a Scout Show ticket from your local scouts. Pack 112 would also like to thank Pack 111 for the use of their track. We look forward to seeing you at the show!



Erica Lyford shakes hands with Senator Elizabeth Schneider after she is recognized on the Senate floor for her 1000 points that she made over her 4 years as a Lady Patriot. The Senator's office contacted Erica and invited her to the Capital to receive her award of sentiment. Congratulations, Erica.

STATEMENT OF POLICY

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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

You can help our schools just by shopping!!! The Box Tops for Education Program pays your town's school 10-cents for each and every coupon clipped!! When choosing your product at your grocer, look for the Box Tops for Education logo, use the product and then clip and save the Box Tops coupon. You can drop them off at your local elementary school, put them in the special box by the registers at the Milo Farmer's Union, or slip them into the money slot in the Three Rivers News display boxes.

Scrapbooking

Crop

Sponsored by Milo
Elementary PTO

Details

- Saturday, March 21st
- 9:00-5:00 lunch provided
- Cost: \$20.00
- Milo Elementary School gym (18 Belmont Street)
- Please reserve your space ahead of time
- Door prizes and goodie bags



Vendors

- *Close to My Heart*
- *Creative Memories*

Vendors will have products for show and sell. They will also demonstrate with a free make-and-take project.

Please return registration form and payment to
Milo Elementary School C/O PTO Scrapbook Crop, 18
Belmont Street, Milo, Maine 04463. For questions call:
Theresa McMannus at 943-8862

4-H Afterschool Program Invitation



Who Can Attend: Students in Grades 3
through 6 who attend Milo, Brownville &
LaGrange Schools & Homeschoolers

Sponsored by: 4-H PAC (4-H & Penquis Activities Club)
Dates of Programs: Each Monday beginning March 2, 2009 &
ending on May 18, 2009

Meeting Place: Milo Elementary School
Time: 2:30 to 3:45 pm
Cost: FREE

**Wanted: High School Varsity Baseball Coach
Penquis Valley High School Spring 2009
Send letter of interest to Scott Gordon,
Principal, Penquis Valley High School
48 Penquis Drive
Milo, Maine 04463
Position open until filled
S.A.D # 41 is an E.O.E.**

It's Girl Scout Cookie Time!
Girl Scout Troop 829 Will Be
Selling Cookies at Maine Savings
Credit Union, Park Street in
Milo.
On Friday, March 20th, 2-5
p.m.



Cookies are \$3.50 per box with a portion of each sale staying with the troop to support activities here in our community. Look what is new in 2009!

- * **CARAMEL DELIGHTS** (Vanilla cookie drenched with caramel, sprinkled with toasted coconut, and drizzled with chocolate)
- * **THIN MINTS** (Thin chocolate cookies covered with chocolate mint)
- * **SHORTBREAD** (Traditional, buttery sugar cookie)
- * **LEMONADES** (Shortbread cookies with a tangy lemon icing)
- * **THANKS-a-LOT** (Shortbread cookies with a rich chocolate icing - a personal favorite!)
- * **PEANUT BUTTER PATTIES** (Vanilla cookies layered with peanut butter and enrobed with rich chocolate)
- * **PEANUT BUTTER SANDWICHES** (Peanut butter sandwiched between 2 tasty oatmeal cookies)
- * **DAISY-GO-ROUNDS** (REDUCED FAT! These crisp, light cinnamon cookies come in 100 calorie packs - perfect for those wanting a tasty treat without overindulging)

Get your cookies - Don't miss out! Can't make the cookie booth sale? Contact Troop Leader Jen Cowing at 943-5714 and arrange for a cookie pick up.



Wyatt,
Alex, John
Meader,
Caleb,
Reid,
Northern
Stars

Planetarium

The Brownville Elementary School gym looked like it had been visited by a giant spacecraft. It was actually John Meader's inflated planetarium! He presented two programs to the students at the school on Thursday, Feb. 26. Grades 3-6 enjoyed listening to the presentation titled, "Native American Sky Legends". Grades K-2 learned about "Our Family in the Sky". This program was made possible because of the hard work and commitment of the local PTO.



as they celebrated "Read Across America Day". Students all across the country were celebrating the love of reading on this special day.



Adam, Bailey, Marianne, Walter Boomsma, Cherish, Jericho

Words for Thirds

Brownville Elementary School third graders on Thursday, Feb. 26, participated in the program, "Words for Thirds" presented by Walter Boomsma. Mr. Boomsma is the program director for the Valley Grange from Guilford. The Grange supported this program as part of the Dictionary Project. This project is designed to aid third grade teachers in their goal to see all their students leave at the end of the year as good writers, active readers, and creative thinkers. The third graders were each presented with their own copy of the Webster's Dictionary for Students. They will keep them and carry them into the fourth grade and use them throughout their school career. Mrs. Page and her students were very excited at this wonderful opportunity.



Read Across America

What more fun can be had than enjoying milk and cookies and sharing a good book with a friend? That's what students at Brownville Elementary were doing on Tuesday afternoon, March 3,



The Senior basketball players bid farewell at their sports banquet last Wed. evening. We enjoyed watching them play and will miss them next year for sure. Morgan Royal, Ryan Bailey, Erica Lyford, Kelsey Ottmann and Joe Leland. Absent was Chris Foss.

Cook School in Lagrange



Donnie Williams , Levi Boobar, Dakota Knowlton, and Dylan Rozelle were honored as Terrific Kids at our March 6th assembly.

Mrs. Nott: Donnie Williams is my terrific kid this week. Donnie has not missed any time from recess this week. He did a good job on Wednesday when our day was interrupted. Donnie also comforted a friend who was upset yesterday. Keep up the good work.

Mrs. Johnston: My T Kid this week is Levi. He has had a lot of great weeks, but this week he has stepped up and become a role model and leader in our classroom. He has helped to remind others of proper T Kid behavior and that we are here to learn. He has been respectful and polite during some very stressful times, and worked hard on the MEA tests.

Miss K: I have two Terrific Kids this week. It was too difficult to choose between brothers Dakota and Dylan. They both have tried hard to earn this award. They have put much effort into their MEA's. They've both behaved well, had their homework completed, and their planners signed each night. Mom and I are very proud of them. Keep up the great work

boys! Bus Awards: Sonny P., KyLee, Cassidy Civil Rights Team Award: Sonny H., MC Cook School Staff for keep the kids safe. Birthdays: Donnie (6) Caught Being Good Prize Winners: Levi, Justin, Emma, Jacob, Miranda

Move and Improve information is on its way home today. Moving 30 minutes a day, at least 4 days a week is our goal.

Milo Free Public Library News

Judith D. Macdougall
We were closed Monday the 2nd due to the storm by a call from the town office. Thankfully patrons seem to have gotten the message as folks have mentioned that they are calling



the library now on stormy days. No cars out front allows the town crew to clear out the downtown and then our parking places are ice free. The sidewalks are cleared quickly and well, and our janitor, Dean Henderson, clears a broad path to the library door. There is no chance of someone slipping on our walks as they enter the library.

On Wednesday we were greeted with boxes from Baker & Taylor: new books; Demco, supplies; and Upstart, the summer reading program materials (more about this later in the column). The telephone rang often with book companies calling. Through the winter months I tell them to call in March when our budget is reviewed. One after the other, they all called the first March day the library was open. Our budget is not even voted on until mid March but the companies are very eager to call. I told one company to send a preview box, but the rest I cancelled except for one company I really like. I suggested they call again next month. Too many preview boxes can be confusing, and I was afraid I might mix up the books. The other preview boxes just did not seem pertinent for our juvenile readers.

We checked our Demco supplies-plenty of plastic paper fold book covers for adult and juvenile books through the coming months. We also got several rolls of genre stickers that we use and a roll new to us of local history. These labels will be placed on Bill Sawtell's books and others.

We are always anxious to see the newest offerings from Baker & Taylor. Opening the box and seeing, feeling and smelling the brand new books is so exciting. As I look through the books, I know which patrons will be most anxious to read certain titles. Of course, being an avid reader myself, I am always looking for my favorites too. As Pam and I process the books, we look them over to be able to suggest and recommend favorites to our patrons. It makes our job very satisfying to be able to put the latest book by their favorite author into their hands when they ask for it. Not as a bribe, of course, but merely as a thank you now and then, one male patron brings chocolate to the librarians. One woman patron who belongs to a mystery club, brings her club catalog to the library to see which books we will be ordering. She will then order one or two books from her catalog herself that we will not be ordering. The library is the winner though, because she then gives us the new mystery books after she and her relatives have read them. As she says, why should she duplicate her choices, when she

can read our books and then use her money for more books for both of us. A win-win situation!

In June the Milo Free Public Library will be featuring the BE CREATIVE @ YOUR LIBRARY summer reading program. Our new materials arrived Wednesday but we haven't even had time to go through the box yet. However, we ordered bookmarks, stickers, balloons, finger puppets and tee shirts, etc. We are ordering new craft books and plan to have a craft program along with our Story Time. All in all it should be lots of fun. When you see our posters everywhere, be prepared to bring your youngsters to the library for them to Be Creative @ Your Library.

The newest books from Baker & Taylor are:-

Allen, Sarah Addison		THE SUGAR QUEEN
Archer, Jeffrey		PATHS OF GLORY
Atherton, Nancy		AUNT DIMITY SLAYS THE DRAGON
Cussler, Clive		CORSAIR
Delaney, Frank		SHANNON
Flock, Elizabeth		SLEEPWALKING IN DAYLIGHT
Grann, David	NF	THE LOST CITY OF Z
Gross, Andrew		DON'T LOOK TWICE
Laker, Rosalind		GARLANDS OF GOLD
Picoult, Jodi		HANDLE WITH CARE
Thomas, Evan	NF	A LONG TIME COMING
Vine, Barbara		THE BIRTHDAY PRESENT

Library Winter Hours

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

Saturday 2:00-4:00 Telephone 943-2612

Mrs. Carey - We have a new student in our classroom who has quickly become a special friend to us all. It's not easy to move into a new town, a new house, and a new school, but this little guy has adjusted like a real trooper. There is so much to learn about Milo Elementary School, but he has already learned how to be a Terrific Kid. We are thankful to have Frankie Wood in our kindergarten family.

Mrs. Walker - WE are pleased to welcome a new member to our Kindergarten family. There is a lot to learn and remember when you move to a new school and a new bus number to remember. Put your name on this and put our name on that. I am proud of all of the students who have helped make our new student feel right at home in our room. He said that he had a very good first day!!!! He likes his new school too. WAY TO GO and WELCOME to MILO, Trevor Saunders.

Ms. Dixon-Wallace - This week's Terrific Kid in DW6 is a student who has had some ups and downs this year with the quality of his work and his behavior in class. He has been working on improving both and has been doing a great job. This student is a very active member of band and loves to play the saxophone. I am very please to have David Robbins as this week's Terrific Kid in DW 6.

Mrs. Knowlton - Our TK in 5K this week is Lydia Balestra! Lydia is an outstanding student who could be a TK nearly any week of the year. She always uses her time wisely and gets everything done on time! Her planner is always signed and she is very polite. She is an awesome helper and plays my favorite band instrument -- the flute! Congratulations, Lydia Balestra!

Mrs. Gillis - He's showing potential while facing challenges, Here's hope that success and trials he balances, He's was part of our Mardi Gras band last week, Showing jazz and style, smooth and unique. Congratulations, Giavani Sibert!



Mrs. Barden - Our terrific kid this week has really worked hard. She is coming into class ready to learn. She works quickly on her assignments and is not chit-chatting as much. Her mom is going to be very proud. Keep up the good job, Jessica Gervais.



Mrs. Tardiff & Mrs. Hussey - This sweet girl is a delight in the classroom and repeat Terrific Kid. She is an active listener and does neat work. She always gives her best effort on every task and can be found reading quietly when her work is done. Congratulations, Emily Herbst.

This girl is a repeat TK and could be TK every week. She is helpful and cooperative. She is a great active listener and math student. Her work is always neat. We love having Mackenzi Pelletier in our room.

Mrs. Mills & Mrs. Bessey- In the third grade this week we have been doing our MEA tests. The children have had to be extra quiet and cooperative so others could do their best. They have taken hold of the challenge and come in each day fresh and ready to go. Everyone has been so terrific that we wouldn't make a choice so THE ENTIRE THIRD GRADE ARE OUR TERRIFIC KIDS.

Mrs. Whitney - 4Whitney's class has been working really hard on MEA's and giving it our all! We are all terrific! We are almost done!!!

Ms. Patton - Ms. Patton's Terrific Kid this week is Cody Guarino! Cody could be Terrific Kid each and every week. He is a wonderful listener in class, and can always be counted on to follow directions! He is a great role model, inside and outside

the classroom. Cody has also worked especially hard this week during the MEA's. Congratulations Cody Guarino!!!



Mrs. Clukey - This week I am doing something that I have never done before with my terrific kid choice. That is give it to the same student two weeks in a row. But last week's terrific kid did an even better job this week. So there was no way I could not recognize him for his efforts this week. That's right, Tyler Cyr has had another excellent week. He has taken Mrs. Davis's career curriculum very seriously, he has learned to ask Mr. Eastman questions if he doesn't understand instead of acting up, and he even made a decision to stay after school to get all his work done the other day. So for all these reasons Tyler Cyr is terrific kid again this week.

Town of Milo

MINUTES

January 6, 2009 Selectmen's Meeting

MEMBERS PRESENT: Joseph Beres, Jerry Brown, Robert Hussey, Jr., Richard Mullins and Jeff Gahagan.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Joni Crossman. **STAFF:** Betty Gormley.

6:30 PM Call to Order by Joe Beres, Chairman.

AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS: -**MINUTES:** Richard made the motion to approve the minutes of December 16th as prepared. Second - Jerry. Passed - unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE: -Jeff received a letter from Maine DOT regarding the asphalt overlay on Route 11 that is being planned for spring and summer of 2009. The company has agreed to hold off on the project for as long as possible for the sewer line to be completed.

Bob asked if the construction was complete on the Pleasant River Bridge. All equipment has been cleaned up.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS:-None.

AGENDA:-PERSONNEL POLICY - Overtime Discussion

Jeff spoke to the Board regarding the new personnel policy which states that 40 hours need to be physically worked before receiving any overtime. He had spoken with MMA and MMA recommended that if a holiday fell into a week which an employee had overtime that the 8 hours of holiday would be considered worked hours.

Bob made the motion to accept the personnel policy as written without any changes. Second - Jerry. Passed - unanimously.

RIDGEWOOD LEASE AMENDMENT AGREEMENT

Jeff requested guidance from the Board regarding the Ridgewood Lease Amendment Agreement. Jeff stated that the Board could participate in a conference call or he could send it to the Attorney.

Bob made the motion for Jeff to have Erik Stumpf look at the lease agreement and to make his recommendations. Second - Richard. Passed - unanimously.

TOWN HALL EVENT - Scheduling Procedure Discussion

The Board wanted to discuss the current policies and procedures of renting the Town Hall. Marlene informed the Board the way it is now being done. There has been only a minor incident with the scheduling of the Hall which has been resolved. Marlene expressed to the Board that no changes were needed at this time and will be addressed immediately if needed in the future. The Board agreed.

DEPARTMENTAL UPDATES:-Jeff updated the Board regarding the Public Hearing held on Monday night concerning the School Consolidation Election on January 27th.

There will be a Public Hearing on January 15th regarding the Historical Society.

Erik Stumpf informed Jeff that the issue with Island Cottages is still continuing.

Jeff has been in touch with CCA and there have been no changes.

Milo has been officially declared a Disaster Area because of the fire downtown which will help in receiving additional grants. There will be public hearing on February 9th at 6:00 for the CDBG.- Jeff informed the Board that there are 2 surveys being handed out to the public. One is for residents and customers of the Milo area and one is for business owners of the Milo area. Ken Woodbury would like to have as many returned as possible by January 15th.

Thomas College has volunteered to do a phone survey of the residents, but the Board felt their survey was too comprehensive and wouldn't be received well from the residents. The Board may reconsider a survey if Thomas College can pare it down substantially. The Board feels that the ones from Ken Woodbury will be enough to get all the information they will need.

The Town Charter Committee has almost completed their work. Maybe one more meeting could complete the new charter.

The Budget Committee is continuing to meet regularly and making good progress on the 2009 Budget.

OTHER:-None.

NEW/UNFINISHED BUSINESS:-**APPOINTMENT:-**Jeff made the motion to appoint Jerry Cole to Safety Officer with a \$2500 stipend per year. Second - Bob. Passed - unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:-Jeff made the motion to enter executive session at 7:40 PM under Title 1, M.R.S.A., subtitle 405, (6) (A) to discuss a personnel matter concerning an administrative change. Second - Richard. Passed - unanimously. Jerry made the motion to come out of executive session at 8:05 PM. Second - Richard. Passed - unanimously.

January 20, 2009 Selectmen's Meeting

MEMBERS PRESENT: Joseph Beres, Jerry Brown, Joni Crossman, Robert Hussey, Jr., Richard Mullins and Jeff Gahagan. **MEMBERS ABSENT:** None. **STAFF:** Betty Gormley and Robin Larson. 6:30 PM Call to Order by Joe Beres, Chairman.

AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS: MINUTES: -Jerry made the motion to approve the minutes of January 6th as prepared. Second - Richard. Passed - unanimously.

AGENDA: OVERTIME DISCUSSION:-The Public Works Department spoke to the Board regarding the concern with not receiving overtime pay in a holiday work schedule. As of now

by the amendment all along. Because they are in the process of selling, this needs to be signed and recorded at the Registry of Deeds. Erik Stumpfel made the recommendation that the Board sign because it was all approved by the Town years ago.

Bob made the motion to sign amendment as presented. Second - Richard. Passed - unanimously.

WAGE FREEZE DISCUSSION:-The Board discussed the option of a wage freeze for all employees for 2009. Some Board members were against touching merit wages. The suggestion of furlough days was also brought up. Nothing was decided at this time.

CHARLESTON CORRECTIONAL FACILITY RESOLUTION:-The Board requested Jeff to write a resolution and bring it to the next meeting.

TAX ACQUIRED PROPERTY DISCUSSION:-Betty informed the Board that people are still coming in to pay on their properties. After promised payments come in from 2 mortgage holders, the Town should have only one tax-acquired property for 2006. Betty will inform the Board if these last 2 payments do come in.

DEPARTMENTAL UPDATES:-Police Department: The Bureau of Highway Safety is doing a Federal Incentive Grant to use for in-cruiser laptops. There is no match required. Shane Smith has been convicted with a \$1,000 restitution. The Town will be seeking restitution from Jesse Williams.

Christopher Miliano has been indicted on the burning of the downtown area.

There was a bomb threat at Penquis Valley H.S. which has been solved. The juvenile has been summoned with a class C felony. The Department is still doing property checks.

Fire Department: The truck and ladder inspection has been completed.-The Department of Labor Standards is about $\frac{3}{4}$ complete.-The Fishing Derby is February 14th and 15th.-The ground ladder inspection is due in February.-The Department is having a NIMS Training for the 400 course on February 21st.-Town Charter Committee: Erik Stumpfel will be attending the next Town Charter Meeting.

Budget Committee: This Thursday should be the final meeting for the Budget Committee. The 2009 Budget will be presented to the Selectmen at their next Meeting.

Dr. Arnold's Building Update:-Dr. Arnold stated that if we sell the building, he will find a place to store his records.

Tower Update:-Jeff needs to contact Tom Conklin in regard to the tower on Stickney Hill. We have no contract in place.

Recreation Department:-The 4-6 grade basketball is doing their playoffs.-K-3 basketball program will be starting in March.-Men's League will be starting in March.-On February 22nd there will be a 1st Annual Milo Rec. Card Tourney. Soup and sandwiches will be served.

There will be no Fourth of July Celebration or Fireworks this year due to no money in the Budget.

NEW/UNFINISHED BUSINESS:-Devil Sledders: Wade Canney of the Milo Devil Sledders made the formal request for the Town of Milo to sell the trail groomer equipment back to the Devil Sledder's Snowmobile Club. Joni made the Motion to

sell back to the Devil Sledder's Snowmobile Club the trail groomer equipment for \$1.00. Second - Bob. Passed - unanimously.

Key Club With Camille

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

This past week the Key Club was very fortunate and honored to have two guest speakers at our meeting. Tammy (Ellison) Cogle from the Maine MS society came to speak about awareness of the disease MS and how it affects youth and teenagers. Before, MS was known to target people anywhere between 20-40 but recently there have been more cases in which teenagers are developing it. MS is an auto-immune disease that affects two or more central areas of your body. It just so happens that Milo and its surrounding area is a highly populated community for these cases. Maine in total results in over 3,000 people who suffer from it, 2/3 of them being women. It's not known why women are the common factor to develop MS, or why in this area of Maine it is so distinct, but researchers still continue to try to find a solution. Along with Tammy, Key Club was also honored to have Heaven Rogerson, a 17 year old MS patient speak to the club. Being diagnosed at such a young age really impacted the group of kids that listened to her. So often we taken advantage of being able to play basketball, walk to a class, or even pick up a pencil. Not only did her story hit home to many kids, but also the fact that Heaven graduated early from high school and is now attending college speaks to us all that above all else determination, passion and commitment can overcome any obstacle. Key Club would like to thank all that were involved at this past meeting and especially Tammy and Heaven for their great insight and knowledge. If you or a loved one is suffering from MS or thinks they may have it, please don't hesitate to make an appointment with your doctor, or register with your local MS society. You'll never be alone; isn't that great about our little communities!

Just a little side note - Our Key Club blood drive went awesome this past Wednesday! I was very surprised to see so many high schoolers that were eligible come to donate. The Red Cross did a fabulous job at running the whole thing. Very professional, clean, and organized with always a person looking out for you. If you didn't have a chance to donate this time, don't worry! Key Club sponsors blood drives 3 times a year!

Penquis Valley Key Club is proud to support, serve, recognize leaders and update our community every chance we get. After all, our motto is...**Caring - our way of Life.**

Respectfuly

Ily Submitted,

Camille

e Cramer
PVHS Key Club Secretary