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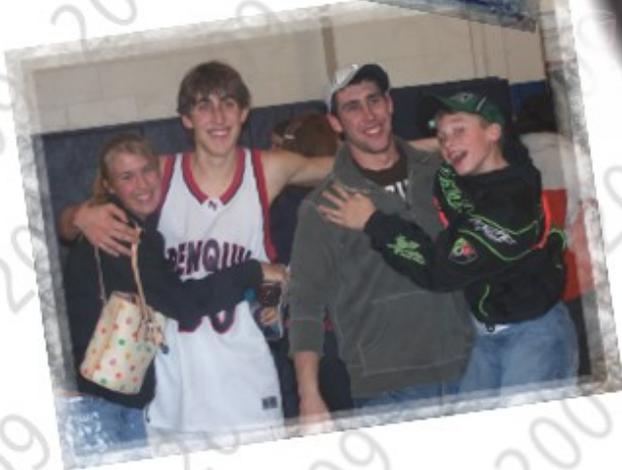
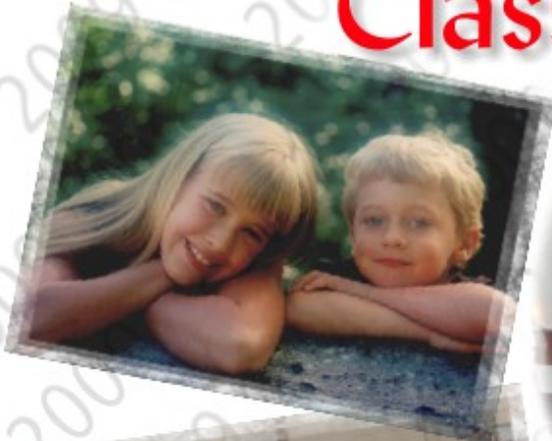
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## Congratulations Erica! Class of 2009



Good Luck at Husson!

Love, your whole family

### Three Rivers Kiwanis Auction

To be held June 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> AT MILO FARMER'S UNION YARD

We want you to come join the fun!!

**PAWS YARD SALE At PAWS!! This weekend!! JUNE 5th AND 6th AT  
39 CLINTON ST. FROM 8am TO 3pm. LOTS OF GREAT STUFF!! IF YOU HAVE SOMETHING TO DONATE PLEASE LEAVE IT  
ON THE SHELTER PORCH, BEFORE JUNE 5th,**



A **Purrfect** gift for that animal lover on your list that has everything, (or a grandchild that doesn't send you a thank you for their gift.)

**A donation to P.A.W.S. in their name!!!!** A card will be sent to that person telling them of your donation. Simply tell us to whom to send the card and we will take care of the rest.

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**M.S.A.D. #41 SCHOOL LUNCH MENU JUNE**

1-Teriyaki chicken, potato smiles, California blend veg. w/milk and juice every day.
2-BLTC, cheese stick and hot carrots.
3-Hot dog in a roll and broccoli.
4-French toast, hash browns and sausage patties.
5-Bread sticks, sauce/cheese and salad.
8-Turkey sandwich (with cheese & pickles), sun chips and celery sticks.
9-Chicken burger, popcorn and carrot sticks.
10-Italian sandwich, cuke slices and icy juicy.
11-Ham & cheese sandwich, pretzels and assorted fresh veggies.
12-Chicken nuggets, potato log, dinner roll and assorted veggies.
<b>15-LAST STUDENT DAY-BREAKFAST SERVED NO LUNCH SERVED.</b>

**GRAMMIE McCLEARY'S WEATHER JUNE 1972**

- 3-Cloudy Sunny by times showers thunder 48° at 6:35 am.
- 4-Cloudy a little sunshine showers 60° at 9:30 pm.
- 5-Sunny breezy 56° at 6:20 am.
- 6-Sunny cool Cloudy after 5 pm.
- 7-Rain 60° at 12.
- 8-Sunny windy 72° at 12.

**The Milo Garden Club will hold its picnic on June 9th at noon at the cottage of Rob Ricker at Schoodic (Lakeview end). Installation of officers. Bring a perennial to exchange, an idea for a program, your 2009-2010 dues, your sandwich and items for the local food cupboard.  
History Project a Joint Venture**



Pictured are Kathy Witham, President of the Milo Historical Soc., Ryan Bailey, JMG student, Carl Wilson, JMG Specialist, and Shelisha Clark, JMG student.

A recent joint project at Penquis Valley High School has seen past and present come together in a very productive collaboration. Students in the Penquis Jobs for Maine's Graduates (JMG) program have been working in partnership with the Milo Historical Society to conduct oral history interviews in order to preserve the memories of our community's heritage. This project began last fall following the fire that destroyed much of Milo's historic Main Street. The Milo Historical Society entered into a collaborative partnership with the Town of Milo, the University of Maine, the Cooperative Extension, and Penquis Valley School to preserve the history of the community. Mr. Carl Wilson, the Penquis JMG Specialist who heads the program at Penquis Valley High School was part of the group who met in the fall to brainstorm about possible projects that the group might consider undertaking. Mr. Wilson partnered with Gwen Bradeen and Virgil Valente from the Milo Historical Society to plan for a series of oral history recordings. Their plan was to bring together multi generations and utilize the latest in multimedia technology in an attempt to share our community's stories and positive assets with a worldwide audience. Using equipment provided by the University of Maine, students started the project by interviewing Virgil Valente, a life-long resident of Milo, retired Penquis Valley High School science teacher, and Vice President of the Milo Historical Society. Gwen Bradeen, Milo Historical Society curator, lent assistance in giving guidance to the students on crafting their interview questions and offering advice on what might be of interest for others to learn about Milo's past. The adults have found themselves educated by students Ryan Bailey and Shelisha Clark, who seemed to have a far easier time grasping the ins and outs of the latest technological audio equipment. Clearly, this project has not only been about gathering mere historic facts, it has also brought the generations together to learn from each other.

Earlier this year, the Penquis JMG students had the opportunity to award two \$500 grants to nonprofit organizations that help youth in the Three Rivers Community. The grants came about from a partnership project with JMG and the Unity Foundation called Jumpstart Our Youth (JOY). The goal of the project is to train the students in grant-making and the hope that the financial seeds will help grow a community of caring citizens. The Milo Historical Society was encouraged to apply for a grant and this spring the society was pleased to be awarded one of the \$500 grants. The society plans to use the funds to assist with future preservation efforts. It is a goal of both the Milo Historical Society and the JMG program that the collaborative oral history project will be ongoing and they would like to encourage others to join in preserving our community's history for future generations. Anyone interesting in this project or other projects that the Milo Historical Society is involved with may call Gwen Bradeen at 943-2369, or Kathy Witham, Milo Historical Society President at 943-2112.

## Milo Free Public Library News

Judith D. Macdougall

On May 19<sup>th</sup> the Three Rivers Readers Book Club met at the library to discuss The Glass Castle by Jeannette Walls. The discussion was led by Joyce Philbrook. There were 10 members present. Joyce began the discussion with information about the author. Her parents chose to be homeless which caused the author to be ashamed of them. She wanted a more stable life, worked hard to graduate from Barnard College and wrote for a newspaper, rising to a position of power.

The memoir tells of her parents, Rex and Rosemary, who were very casual and irresponsible about the care of their children. Rosemary, especially, felt children should be independent and left to their own devices, which often meant the children were hurt in accidents, and even once burnt in a fire while cooking. The mother preferred to paint pictures rather than cook because the pictures would last longer. The father was an electrical engineer who worked when he felt like it. He was often drunk, stole his children's savings and destroyed things they had worked hard to acquire. The children were often starving while the mother ate hidden candy. Rosemary found nonconformity exciting but the children suffered physically. The three older children chose lives of schedule and stability, but they continued to love their parents. The fourth child lived a life more like the parents-a little flaky. The father was often promising to build the children a Glass Castle, but as they grew older they realized it would never be built.

As part of the discussion, one question came up. "How do you help when you see poverty?" One book club member experienced in social work suggested informing a social worker. They would then check on the children for abuse, see that the children were fed and given clothes. The schools are involved with these programs and even can supply showers at times. Backpacks of Blessings was also suggested as a way the school is helping to provide extra snacks at home on weekends and vacations.

The book selection for the next meeting will be Olive Kitteridge by Elizabeth Strout. The book selection for July will be Loving Frank by Nancy Horan-a novel about Frank Lloyd Wright. The book club meets on the third Tuesday of every month at the Milo Free Public Library. For more information call Gwen Bradeen at 943-2369.

The Kiwanis Kids Korner met on Wednesday with 26 children present. Adults were Val Robertson, Heidi Finson, Jan Barton, Natalie Hitchcock, Frank Cochran and Bonnie Hurley. Key Club members helping out were Rebecca Carpenter, Josh Clement and Camille Cramer. As the next Kiwanis Kids Korner will be the last session for this spring, please try to get all the library books back or better yet, bring your child in to sign up for the Be Creative @ Your Library summer reading program and bring the books back then. The book selected was I Will Never, Not Ever, Eat a Tomato by Lauren Childs. The craft for the Kids was making wands and windsocks from construction paper with stickers, markers and crepe paper fringes.

Dearle Flint and I have been working hard on the BE CREATIVE @ YOUR LIBRARY Summer Reading Program. We have made one change to the usual schedule. We have had a Story Time every Wednesday at 2:30 during the previous programs. This summer we are planning to add a Craft Time from 3:00-3:30 with various leaders. Dearle and I could not see how to be creative at the library without planned programs. Our Craft Times will present a variety of ideas. One week Wayne Flint, a professional drummer, will teach basic drumming, another session will present a scrapbooking project, but we will also have such tried and true fun as beading and drawing. We hope to have a variety of subjects that will get the children's imaginations buzzing as they have a good time learning and enjoying crafts that they can use at home, too.

We are now on summer hours. The library will not be open on Saturdays through the summer until after Labor Day.

**Library Summer Hours Mon.-Weds.-Fri. ---2:00-8:00 Telephone 943-2612**

## The Milo Historical Society Will Be

Holding a Baked Bean and Ham Supper on **Friday**, June 19 from 5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. at the Milo Town Hall dining room. The supper will also include hot dogs, cole slaw, assorted casseroles, salads, and desserts. Tickets are \$6.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children 12 years old and under. The tickets will be available at the door.

**More Memorial Day Pics on the back page... If you enjoyed Milo's Memorial day Parade and service THANK A VETERAN!**

## SCHOOL NEWS



## Winners of the Sophomore Class Month-Long Raffle

May 9th Shawna Royal, Milo  
May 10th Walter Oakes, Milo  
May 11th Valerie Overlook, Atkinson  
May 12th Suzy Webb, Milo  
May 13th Loretta Grinnell, Milo  
May 14th Ian Carey, Milo  
May 15th Mary Bess, Lagrange  
May 16th-Judy Thompson, Bangor  
May 17th Angie Wyman, Milo  
May 18th Robert Brown, Brownville  
May 19th, Wendy Bailey, Medford  
May 20th Sabrina Weston, Brownville Jct.  
May 21st Allen Monroe, Milo  
May 22nd Dale Martin Milo

## Penquis Valley High School Honor Parts - 2009

Scott Gordon, Principal of Penquis Valley High School in Milo, Maine, has announced the honor parts for the Class of 2009.



Graduation will be held on Sunday, June 7<sup>th</sup> at 2pm in the high school gymnasium.

Kelsey Ottmann, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. David Ottmann of Lagrange is this year's valedictorian. Kelsey played basketball, ran cross country, track, and was a member of Key Club all 4 years. She served as a student mentor, was a member of the National Honor Society, and was a delegate to the National Student Leadership Conference in Washington D. C. Kelsey plans to attend the University of Maine at Farmington in the fall, where she will major in Creative Writing and run cross country.

Erica Lyford, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. John K. Lyford, Jr. of Lagrange, is this year's salutatorian. Erica played soccer, softball, and basketball all four years. During the 2008-2009

basketball season, she became a member of the 1,000 point club at Penquis Valley. Erica served as class president and is a member of the National Honor Society. In the fall, Erica will attend Husson University with a major in occupational therapy. She also intends to play basketball and softball for the Eagles.



Stephen Morse, son of Mr. & Mrs. George Morse of Milo, will deliver the First Honor Essay at Graduation. Stephen was a member of Key Club and participated in Close Up. Stephen plans to attend the University of Maine in the fall of 2009. He has yet to decide on a major.



Jonathan Spencer, son of Mr. & Mrs. David Spencer of Lagrange, will deliver the Second Honor Essay at Graduation. Jonathan was a member of Key Club during his career at Penquis. He will attend the University of Maine with a major in Nursing during the fall of 2009.



## Cook School News

Mr. Perkins, Kelina Spencer, and Queen Kelley were honored as Terrific Kids at our May 29th assembly.

Mrs. Nott: Mr. Perkins is my terrific kid this week. This year I have been teaching Reading Recovery before school and Mr. Perkins has been working in my classroom to cover for me. It has been such a big help not having to worry about my students while I am teaching lessons! Thanks a lot Mr. Perkins!

Mrs. Johnston: Kelena is another student who is pretty terrific most weeks. She is a great reader and listener, and tries hard to follow all the rules. For the past couple of weeks she has worked extra hard to keep her area neat, and I really appreciate that!!

Miss K: Queen Kelley is a Terrific Kid every week. Our Queen is an excellent lunch server but she is much more than that. She loves the children and they look forward to seeing her every day. Queen Kelley takes the time to listen and to give an extra pat on the back to those in need. Queen Kelley also takes care of our staff and extra special care of Mr. Perkins. We love you Queen Kelley. Bus Awards: Gerald, Justin B., Makayla P. Birthdays: Michael I. (6), Ms. Willinski (?) Move and



Improve Prize Winner: Makayla P. Caught Being Good Prize Winners: Harmony, Mackayla, Justin, Courtney, Haley M.

Reminder: School movie is Friday, June 5 at 8:30. Come out and see the STARS! Final Assembly: June 12 at 8:30

Congratulations to all of our Terrific Kids!

**Cathy Knox, principal at Milo Elementary, reports donations are needed to continue the successful "Blessings in a Backpack" program.** This program provides backpacks of supplementary food for children in need, covering weekends when daily breakfast and lunches at school are not available. The annual operations budget is \$20,000. Area organizations and businesses have been most generous, but more funds are needed. Every donation, no matter how small, is welcome. Send a check addressed "Blessings in a Backpack C/o Milo Elementary" to the Milo Elementary School or stop by the school with your donation. Please help our kids! (Submitted by Jane Fairchild)

### TRC Obituaries

**Madeline A. Jay** September 09, 1944 - May 25, 2009 MILO - MILO - Madeline A. Jay, 64, wife of the late Glenwood L. Jay, died May 25, 2009, at a Dover-Foxcroft hospital. She was born Sept. 9, 1944, in North Uxbridge, Mass., the daughter of Manley and Luella (Brothers) Avery. Madeline was a member of Joseph P. Chaisson American Legion Post No. 41 Ladies Auxiliary. She is survived by a son, Glenwood Carl Jay and his wife, Janet, and their children, Zachary, Benjamin and Shelby, and Zachary's daughter, Kaeliegh, all of Milo; a daughter, Valerie Mullens and her children, Justin and Kendra, all of Milo; four brothers, Robert Avery and his wife, Marlene, of Old Town, Fred Avery and his wife, Marilyn, of Summerville, S.C., Alfred Avery and his wife, Roberta, of Hamilton, N.Y., and Richard Avery of Brewer; and three sisters, Arlene Kennedy and her husband, John, of Argyle, Barbara Avery of Old Town, and Linda LeBlanc and her husband, Louis, of Old Town. She will be remembered by her best friend, Gerald Perkins of Milo. Burial will be in the family lot at Evergreen Cemetery. Those who wish may make memorial contributions to either the American Heart Association, 51 U.S. Route 1, Suite M, Scarborough, ME 04074 or the American Diabetes Association, Maine Affiliate, Inc., 163 Lancaster St., Suite 98R, Portland, ME 04101. Messages of condolence and memories may be expressed at [www.laryfuneralhome.com](http://www.laryfuneralhome.com)

## Three Rivers Kiwanis

May 27, 2009

Regular Morning Meeting

Meeting called to order at 6:45 a.m. There were seventeen members in attendance at the regular morning meeting at Sandee's Restaurant. We had an inter-club from Dover with five members in attendance. We also had an inter-club with the Key Club with Stephanie, Josh, Camille, and Val. Our guest today was Crystal Macomber.

Eben led us in the Pledge of Allegiance and Camille offered the Morning Prayer. Birthdays this week are Eben DeWitt, Lee Leman, Nancy Willinski, and Virgil Valente.

Next week is our annual meeting and George reviewed the slate of officers again for the coming year. Laurel needs our calendars in to her by next Wednesday at the latest.



RICK BRADEEN LANDSCAPING 943-2615 RESIDENTIAL-COMMERCIAL

- LAWN MOWING
- WEED TRIMMING
- TREE & BRUSH REMOVAL
- GRASS PLANTING
- GROUND WORK,  
LIGHT GRADING
- FERTILIZER  
SPREADING

FREE ESTIMATES ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE CALL

We had twenty-four Happy/Sad dollars today-Jan had a good day with parents in Bangor and senses the good energy in our club members; happy the flags were bought for the Legion; Lee Leman has a birthday today, also; Historical Society has a Milo, Brownville, Lagrange book for sale; please purchase your copy from them; happy to have the guest speaker; sad school will be over and happy school will be over; great time at camp; happy with town government; Laurel sold over 100 calendars; and Bobby is still happy about that turkey hunt with his grandsons.

The canoe race is June 20<sup>th</sup> and Bobby will need volunteers throughout most of the day at various places along the race and for volunteer drivers to take paddlers back to their vehicles, chuck wagon and so forth. We will have a short meeting following to discuss the upcoming auction. There will be one more RIF distribution before the end of the school year.

Our speaker today was Denise Trafton from the Penquis Journey House that has recently opened in Dexter. She is the case manager for the home that supports young women 16 to 20 years of age who are pregnant or recently became mothers and need a place to live and raise their baby for up to 18 months.

The home began with a grant initiative for runaway and homeless youth, also known as "unaccompanied youth". The home has 24-hour house parents and can house four young women with 1 or 2 children each. The goal of the home is to find stable housing for the women and children and to be able to maintain their family on their own. The case manager also assists with education, parenting, and community resources for the young women.

Though grant funded, there are limited funds for day-to-day needs such as formula, diapers, personal care items, toys, and books for babies. The Dexter community is very supportive and volunteers are offering to assist in teaching the mothers to knit or crochet. The Journey House can be reached at 924-0151 if anyone has items or a skill to donate to the home. We would like to thank Denise for speaking at our meeting today.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 a.m.  
Respectfully Submitted, Heidi Finson

**The 20th Annual Cruize-In** will be held at the JSI Store Fixtures parking lot on Route 11 in Milo on Sunday, June 28th, from 10am to 2pm.

**PAWS WILL STILL ACCEPT ITEMS  
FOR OUR YARD SALE!!  
FRI. & SAT, JUNE 5 & 6,**

**PAWS Big Yard Sale.**

**We need items, so think of us as you do your spring cleaning!! You can leave donations at 39 Clinton St. on the porch of the shelter. We would also appreciate any coupons for Purina Cat or Kitten Chow. You may leave them in any donation box for *The Three Rivers News* or in the cans at The Milo Farmer's Union.**

## 4th Annual Three Rivers Kiwanis Canoe Race

Saturday, June 20, 2009, 10:00 am Start

Sebec Village below the dam

Entry fee \$15.00, includes a tee shirt, registration at 9:00 am

Free musical



entertainment; food available at reasonable prices

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LOCAL

Class I Racing Kayak

Recreational Kayak

Class II Recreational

Kayak

Recreational Canoe

Class III Racing Canoe

Junior/Senior

Class IV Recreational Canoe

Mixed - Man/Woman

Contact person: Bobby Ellison, Three Rivers Kiwanis Club of Milo

Telephone: 943-2317, 209 North Road, Medford, Maine 04463



# Three Rivers Community of Maine

Atkinson Bowerbank Brownville LaGrange Lake View Medford Milo Sebec

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## Community Calendar

<http://www.trcmaine.org/calendar/>

### Monday, June 1

9:00a - Monday Morning Quilters  
11:45a - Meals for ME  
6:30p - Medford Selectmen  
7:00p - Alcoholics Anonymous  
7:00p - Sebec Selectmen

### Tuesday, June 2

9:00a - Womancare Outreach  
11:30a - Mt. Katahdin Senior Citizens  
6:00p - Piscataquis Writers  
6:30p - SAD #68 Board of Directors  
6:30p - Post #92 Bingo  
6:30p - Medford Planning Board  
6:30p - Milo Selectmen

### Wednesday, June 3

6:30a - Three Rivers Kiwanis  
9:00a - Milo : Career Center  
10:00a - Church Thrift Shop  
6:00p - Post #41 Dinner  
6:00p - Wednesday Night Quilters  
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, June 4

8:00a - Women's Ecumenical Breakfast  
11:45a - Meals for ME  
4:30p - Tae Kwon Do Class  
6:00p - Boy Scout Troop #112  
6:30p - BJHS Card Party  
6:30p - Brownville Selectmen

### Friday, June 5

8:00a - PAWS Yard Sale  
9:00a - Milo : Career Center  
11:45a - Meals for ME  
12:00p - Three Rivers Senior Citizens  
6:15p - Post #41 Bingo

### Saturday, June 6

8:00a - PAWS Yard Sale

### Sunday, June 7

2:00p - PVHS Graduation  
2:30p - Tiny Tigers Tae Kwon Do  
2:30p - Post #92 Auxiliary  
3:30p - Square Dancing  
6:00p - Alcoholics Anonymous  
6:00p - Scrapbooking  
7:30p - Alcoholics Anonymous

## Public Notices

### PVHS 40th Anniversary

Penquis Valley High School is graduating its 40th class this year! We've created a photo album and a message board for people to upload their pictures and post their memories from their times at PVHS.

<http://www.trcmaine.org/photos/thumbnails.php?album=65>

<http://forums.trcmaine.org/index.php?board=21.0>

### New Milo Webcam?

<http://blogs.trcmaine.org/trc/?p=56>

We're looking for a sponsor for a new webcam in Milo. Click the link above for more information.



## Featured Business

### Milo Day Care & Nursery School

40 Pleasant Street, Milo  
207.943.5551

Mary Hunter, proprietor, has openings for children 2 years old and up for both day care and nursery school slots.



## Memorial Day Parade Pictures

Included in this issue of the TRN are some pictures from the 2009 Memorial Day Parade in Milo. Pictures were taken by Seth Barden & Amelia Levasseur.

## TRC Corner

BY SETH BARDEN

Check the TRC Website in the next week or so for a new feature! We are adding a blog titled "Tightwad Tidbits". This will be giving advice on how to save money in these hard economic times. It will be written jointly by several members of the TRC Team.

## TRN WEEKLY POLL

Visit our website to vote!

Town Hall / Library	39.0%
Milo Farmers' Union	37.1%
Near Harris Field	16.2%
Other	7.6%

Total votes: 105

### NEXT WEEK:

Should Milo get police protection from the County Sheriff's Office?

# Pictures from the 2009 Memorial Day Parade

