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## Special Town Meeting to be held Tuesday, January 5, 2010 at 6:30 P.M. at the Milo Town Hall.

To see if the Town of Milo will vote to authorize the municipal officers, on behalf of the Town of Milo, to acquire the following properties located on Main Street, Milo, Maine, for the purpose of municipal redevelopment:

George Saviolis property, as described in the following: Book 1960, Page 103 Piscataquis County Registry of Deeds, at a price not to exceed \$10,000, pursuant to an option agreement dated December 17, 2009.

John and Barbara Crossman properties, aka - Milo True Value, as described in the following: Book 955, Page 4 and Book 1455, Page 168 in Piscataquis County Registry of Deeds, any rights, title and interest in and to the alleyway, so-called, which runs along the generally westerly bound of the subject premises, at a price not to exceed \$48,200, pursuant to an option agreement dated December 17, 2009. All citizens are urged to attend.

### In My Opinion

By Valerie Robertson

The voters of Milo have a big decision to act on at the Special Town Meeting mentioned above. As someone who was directly impacted by the fire, and is now a businessperson who will not directly be impacted but a citizen who will be, I shall offer up my insight on the issue.

The grant money being offered to the town is ONLY available as a result of the fire and can ONLY be used to improve the footprint of the businesses lost because of that fire. The money can't be used for any other purpose other than to improve or rebuild that exact area. If we don't take the money, it won't go back to the government to pay the national debt or lower our taxes. It will go to some other town who has suffered devastation to their downtown area.

The money is a grant that Milo will never have to repay. Granted (no pun intended) there are stipulations as to what can be done with the money: they are varied and the voters can have their say in how the other \$400,000+ dollars are spent once the lots are purchased.

To those of you who have bought, sold or looked at properties in Milo, you no doubt see the price of the True Value lots as inflated. Perhaps, but when the application for the grant was being written, the amount being asked for HAD TO BE justified. The \$48,200 for the True Value lot and \$10,000 for the other lot was part of the itemization of costs in the application. When I traded my lot to the town for the hospital building, I sincerely thought that lot was worth \$17,000 considering that the night before my closing to purchase the lot where Hobnobbers had been located, a Main Street business owner called the realtor and offered \$20,000 for it. If you add that amount to the \$10,000 Saviolis paid for the Flower Shop lot, \$48,200 seems fair for the rest of the properties.

I certainly don't want to waste the grant money on a building or complex that would compete with any other business in Milo. I don't think we need condos or apartments. But there are some feasible opportunities I can see. Mr. Tom Harrigan has an amazing collection of artifacts and fossils that he would be willing to donate towards a museum. We have a fabulous Historical Society here in town with a vast collection of

amazingly interesting items of Americana. Perhaps we could have a building that housed some of each collection, creating a draw to Milo like the Transportation Museum is to Owl's Head. We need a building to sell crafts made by local people. We live in a state where "Going for a ride" is a legitimate recreational activity: What if we had a destination for that activity?

We have a local church interested in a Youth Center. Kiwanis, The American Legion and other groups have expressed a desire to help. What if we had a place for kids to gather for games and socializing a few days a week? There is money available for maintaining such things. What if we just put in a few square yards of cement and gave the kids a place to ride skateboards or BMX bikes? We would have a spot where it was well lit. And safe. I'm sure the folks at Rite Aid and MFU would welcome their parking lots being used for only parking and not skate parks!!

I understand the hesitation on some folks' part, but I see this opportunity as too good to pass up. I hope you all consider coming to the meeting Tuesday night. Whatever the outcome, let's at least make sure EVERYONE is heard!

### Attention Area Residents!!!

≈ Do You Like To Eat?

≈ Do You Like To Hang Out With Wicked Fun People?

≈ Do You Like To Eat Baked Beans, Brown Bread, Biscuits, Hot Dogs, Cole Slaw, Fiddleheads And Whoopie Pies?

≈ Do You Like To Name Your Own Price For Such A Feast?

≈ Do You Like Your Money To Go To A Good Cause?



Well, Do We Have The Dinner For You!!! Tuesday, January 5<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 at The Milo Town Hall Art Center, an ALL YOU CAN EAT Old Fashioned Bean Supper and the Cost is By Donation!!

**Presented by Three Rivers Kiwanis to Benefit the  
Town Hall Kitchen.**

**A Great way to Beat the Doldrums of Cabin Fever.  
Guaranteed Delicious and Guaranteed Fun!!**

The Milo Town Office Will Be Closing  
At 12:00 Noon, Thursday, December 31, 2009. The Office Will  
Open Again Monday,

**Notice To The Residents Of Milo** - The Town of Milo will be  
accepting Christmas trees to recycle. Please drop trees at the  
**JSI parking lot** In the roped-off area on the Maine Savings  
Federal Credit Union side of the parking lot. The trees can be  
dropped off on **Saturday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>. Or Sunday,  
January 3<sup>rd</sup> Until 12:00 P.M.** To make removal more  
efficient we ask that everyone place the trees butt end out.  
Many thanks to JSI Store Fixtures, Inc. for their assistance.

## In Memoriam

**Helen M Lewis** August 19, 1913 - December 19, 2009  
MILO AND BREWER - Helen M. Lewis, 96, wife of the late Murray E. Lewis, died  
Dec. 19, 2009, at a Brewer nursing facility. She was born Aug. 19, 1913, in  
Bradford, the daughter of Nathan and Maude (Kirkland) Elden. Mrs. Lewis had  
worked as a senior nursing technician for many years. She was a past member of  
Order of the Eastern Star and a member of United Baptist Church. She is  
survived by a son, Calvin of Orrington; a daughter, Carolyn Raisanen of Arizona;  
six grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren, one great-great-grandchild, several  
nieces and nephews. Spring burial will be in the family lot at Evergreen Cemetery,  
Milo. Messages of condolence and memories may be expressed at  
[www.laryfuneralhome.com](http://www.laryfuneralhome.com).

**Heikki A. Mannisto** September 08, 1923 - December 18, 2009  
ORENVILLE TWP. - Heikki "Henry" A. Mannisto, 86, husband of Rebecca (Royal)  
Mannisto, died December 18, 2009, at a Dover-Foxcroft nursing home. He was  
born September 8, 1923, in Ormeville, the son of Adam E. and Venla (Vinikka)  
Mannisto. Henry had worked for many years for the Bangor and Aroostock  
Railroad. He is survived by his wife, Rebecca of Ormeville Twp.; 2 sons, Dennis L.  
and wife, Carol, of Mendon, NY, and their children, Dennis Jr. of Rochester, NY  
and Nickolas and his wife, Jennifer, and their daughter, Emma, all of Rochester,  
NY; and David A. and wife, Barbara of Williamsburg and son, Stephen Strout and  
his family; three daughters, Linda M. Hall and husband, Clifton of Hartland,  
Patricia A. Robichaux of Miami Beach, FL, and Ellen A. Lowell of San Antonio,  
TX, and her son, Christopher Lowell, who is currently serving with the U.S. Navy  
and stationed at Fallon, Nev.; 2 sisters, Aune Hinton of Bowerbank and Hilda  
Burow of Sebec and her family; many nieces and nephews, and millions of  
friends. He was predeceased by three brothers, Karl, Reino, and Lawrence; son  
David's first wife, Esther, and a granddaughter, Starr. There will be no services at  
this time. Arrangements are in the hands of the Lary Funeral Home. Messages of  
condolence and memories may be expressed at [www.laryfuneralhome.com](http://www.laryfuneralhome.com).

## The Deer painting by local artist Peter Bamford of Derby

who also resides in Titusville,  
Florida, was raffled off at the Penquis - Stearns basketball  
game. The winning ticket was drawn by one of the referees at  
the game and the winner is Jerry Cole of Milo. The Milo  
Recreation Department would like to thank Peter Bamford for  
donating the painting. We would also like to thank Bob Ellison  
of Medford for helping us sell tickets and all of the people  
that purchased a raffle ticket.

The Milo & Brownville Recreation Departments would like to  
wish everyone a happy and safe holiday.

Dickie Martin- Milo Recreation Director  
Dean Bellatty-Brownville Recreation Director

## ENHANCED FITNESS PROGRAM MILO RECREATION DEPARTMENT

The Milo Recreation Dept., in collaboration with Friends of  
Community Fitness in Sangerville will be offering an  
ENHANCED FITNESS PROGRAM for older adults. EFP is an

evidence-based program out of Seattle, Washington designed  
specifically for older adults, focusing on flexibility, strength,  
cardio and balance. Regular exercise improves energy  
metabolism, increases muscular strength, reduces the risk of  
injury and slows down bone loss as we age.

Cindy Herbest, Fitness Instructor with over 24 years of  
experience will lead the program. The program runs seven  
weeks.

Please call 943-2630 for more information.

Start Dates for Winter 2010:

**Monday, January 11 - FREE to all!**

**Wednesday, January 13**

**Friday, January 15-10:00 - 11:00 am**

**Increase the program's benefits by participating in  
the three recommended classes per week for only  
\$15.00. (\$1.40 per class!!!)**

**This class will make a difference in your quality of  
life!**

**Light hand weights are required.**

**All other equipment will be provided**

## MILO RECREATION DEPARTMENT OFFERS FITNESS CLASSES

**Wednesday, Dec. 6 - Feb. 17, 2010**

**Milo Town Hall Wingler Auditorium**

**YOGA** - This non-competitive class is just what your  
body needs in a busy and demanding world. Let the  
practice help you to improve strength and flexibility  
while providing insight into your ability to calm spirit,  
mind & body. Yoga can make a tremendous impact on  
the way you move and feel. Come join me and others  
who have discovered that Yoga does make a difference!  
Yoga or exercise mat required.

**Wednesday 6:00 - 7:00 pm-Seven week session -  
\$40.00-Walk-Ins are Welcome - \$8.00**

**Group Strength & Cardio** - Using hand weights and  
exercise bands for resistance to strengthen muscles,  
ligaments and joints. Weight training can change body  
appearance, make everyday chores easier, help prevents  
injuries, raise metabolism and help to slow down bone  
loss as we age. Add cardio to the mix and we burn  
calories like mad!

Hand weights are required

**Wednesday 5:00 - 5:45 pm**

**Seven week session - \$25.00**

**Walk-Ins are Welcome - \$5.00**

**Take both classes for \$60.00!**

**A comfortable class atmosphere in which to exercise.**

Cindy Herbest is a Certified Group Fitness Instructor with  
over 20 years experience in Health and Fitness, teaching  
classes through the Milo Recreation Department since 1985.

For more information, please contact Cindy at 943-2630

**The Residents at PAWS want to thank all of you  
who put a "Little Something Extra" in our cans at  
The Milo Farmer's Union and Mike's Feed and  
Redemption!!**

# Happy New Year from the Gang at Hobnobbers!!

Join us for a New Year's Eve Dinner! Thursday, Dec 31, 2009

Beginning at 4PM til we decide to close!!

(Of course we are open at 1PM, Wednesday Thru Sunday)

\$50 a Couple, \$25 for singles. All meals served with Coffee or Tea and a glass of Champagne..

Includes your choice of:

## Appetizers

Shrimp Cocktail

Asiago Stuffed Mushrooms

Crab Cakes with Sun Dried Tomato Aioli or

Caprese Bruchetta (Tomatoes, Basil and seasonings on Grilled Bread)

## Salad of Your Choice

House, Bistro or Caesar

## Entrée Choices:

Prime Rib with Potato and Vegetable

Baked Jumbo Shrimp with Garlic Sauce and Sweet Pea Risotto

Boneless Pork Loin with Cider Cream and Mashed Sweet Potato

Potato Pancake with Roasted Veggies and Horseradish Aioli

And finish with : A Dessert Sampler

Call 943-5312 for reservations!!

January Lunch Specials at Hobnobbers- Includes Tea or Coffee

- Open -Faced Hot Turkey Sandwich with Stuffing and Kirby's Cranberry Chutney-\$6.99

- A Bowl of Fresh Haddock Chowder with Bread-\$5.99

Open 11 am-8 PM Wednesday thru Sunday

Sunday Special: Appetizer Sampler Plate for 1- \$6.99 \$9.99 for Two!!

We have 3 TVs for your viewing pleasure!! **Call 943-5312**

## **Three Rivers Kiwanis, Milo-Brownville**

December 23, 2009 Regular Morning Meeting

Meeting called to order at 6:45 a.m. There were nineteen members in attendance at the regular morning meeting at the Hobnobber's Pub. Dover had three members in attendance and the Key Club had two members present.

Eben led us in the Pledge of Allegiance and Michelle St. Cyr offered the Morning Prayer. Jim L. provided a Thought for the Day. Our Lt. Governor will be attending our January board meeting. Jim Macomber will also be scheduling a Piscataquis Santa project meeting in January and will notify us of the date and time.

The December 30<sup>th</sup> meeting will be an evening meeting at Elaine's Café at 6:00 p.m. with an eggnog competition. The meal will be \$12.95 plus tax and tip. George has called a board meeting today to discuss and vote on the opportunity to support a Bean Supper and raise money for the Town Hall Kitchen. Val has volunteered to serve as chair for the supper and Ethelyn will solicit whoopie pies. The board will meet following the regular meeting.

We had eighteen Happy/Sad dollars-Jim M. and many more are happy that we had Bonnie to coordinate the Secret Santa project with more than 219 children served in Milo and more than 650 in the region; many happy dollars for shoppers and volunteers who helped Bonnie out; Virgil says it is all up hill from here with the passing of the first day of winter; there are 89 days until spring and 183 until opening day, of the Red Sox of course; double time at work; seeing old friends; safe driving; pleasant Christmas Eve; and Bonnie says she is looking forward to the Secret Santa project next year, way to go Bonnie!! Josh volunteered to help with thank you letters to Santa's supporters.

Ethelyn presented Val with a thank you card and gift from the Kiwanis members thanking her for the extraordinary work she does cooking, shopping, and serving Kiwanis and the community throughout the year.

Our speaker today is Michelle St. Cyr the pastor of the Methodist Church in Milo. Michelle shared the progress on the church renovations since the fire on Father's Day this past June. There was considerable damage to the roof, though the outside of the church looks like it had minimal damage. The church was fortunate in that much was saved from smoke and water damage by the quick work of community members and the local fire department. Work is progressing steadily by Keith Trembly Builders and truss work can be viewed on YouTube.

Services have been held at the Masonic Lodge which has been greatly appreciated. Work has progressed thanks to insurance and the fire recovery fund. Christmas Eve services will be held at the Methodist church at 11:00 p.m. and all are invited to attend.

We would like to thank Michelle for speaking to our club today. Meeting adjourned at 7:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Heidi Finson, Secretary



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## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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

### Monday, December 28

9:00a - Monday Morning Quilters  
10:00a - Milo Rec. Dept. Senior Exercise Program  
11:45a - Meals for ME  
4:00p - Penquis Solid Waste Corp.  
5:30p - Game: Lady Patriots @ Dexter  
6:30p - Atkinson Selectmen  
7:00p - Alcoholics Anonymous  
7:00p - Piscataquis Amateur Radio Club

### Tuesday, December 29

9:00a - Womancare Outreach  
5:30p - Game: Patriots vs. Central  
5:30p - Milo: Senior Line Dancing  
6:30p - Post #92 Bingo  
6:30p - Milo Selectmen  
7:00p - Sebec Planning Board

### Wednesday, December 30

6:30a - Three Rivers Kiwanis  
10:00a - Church Thrift Shop  
10:00a - Senior Exercise Program  
10:00a - Sebec Quilters  
5:00p - Group Strength Class  
5:30p - Game: Lady Patriots @ Central  
6:00p - Wednesday Night Quilters  
6:00p - Yoga Class  
6:30p - Boy Scout Troop #115  
7:00p - Overeaters Anonymous

### Thursday, December 31

11:45a - Meals for ME  
4:30p - Tae Kwon Do Class  
6:00p - Boy Scout Troop #112  
6:00p - Post #92 Meeting  
6:30p - BJHS Card Party

### Friday, January 1, 2010

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

### Saturday, January 2

1:00p - Game: Patriots vs. PVHS  
6:00p - Milo: NO Country Jamboree in December

### Sunday, January 3

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

## PUBLIC NOTICES

### Winter Sports Schedules

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

The 2009 PeeWee Basketball and High and Middle School Basketball schedules have been released. Visit our Recreation Section by clicking above to view the games and scores!

K&L Auto temporary contact number is 207.943.5010.

Wayne Beard will assist you at this phone until the business site is re-established.

WIC in Milo 1st Wednesday monthly in 2010

<http://www.maine.gov/dhhs/wic/>

Women, Infants and Children Nutrition Program offers appointments in Milo on the **first Wednesdays of the month from 9:30 a.m. to 2:45 p.m.** at the Milo

Town Hall WIC provides free nutrition counseling and nutritious foods for pregnant and post-partum women, infants, and children. Call to apply or schedule an appointment to 1.800.470.3769, the WIC Nutrition Program, City of Bangor.

FMI you may e-mail: [laura.honeycutt@maine.gov](mailto:laura.honeycutt@maine.gov)

## PENQUIS SPORTS CENTER

### PVHS Boys Basketball

12/7	Patriots @ Schenck	35 - 55	L
12/15	Patriots @ PCHS	47 - 40	W
12/17	Patriots vs. Foxcroft Academy	63 - 57	W
12/21	Patriots vs. Stearns	46 - 62	L

### PVHS Girls Basketball

12/5	Lady Patriots @ Dexter	30 - 41	L
12/8	Lady Patriots vs. Schenck	48 - 39	W
12/10	Lady Patriots vs. PVHS	54 - 47	W
12/16	Lady Patriots vs. PCHS	51 - 40	W
12/18	Lady Patriots @ Foxcroft Academy	37 - 51	L

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## Upcoming Games

Monday, 12/28 - Lady Patriots @ Dexter, 5:30 pm

Tuesday, 12/29 - Patriots vs. Central, 5:30 pm

Wednesday, 12/30 - Lady Patriots @ Central, 5:30 pm

Saturday, 1/2 - Patriots vs. PVHS, 1:00 pm

