



# Three Rivers News



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Milo Garden Club annual picnic at Rob Ricker's camp on LakeView end of Schoodic Lake,  
June 8 at noon. Bring sandwich (all else will be furnished).  
Also bring a perennial to exchange and items for PAWS.  
Dues for 2010-2011 are payable.

## Huge PAWS Yard sale just in time!!

June 10th, 11th, 12th, and 13th

The folks at PAWS, 39 Clinton Street in Milo, are launching their Annual Fundraising Week and we sure could use your help!! We are so full of cats you literally couldn't swing a cat without, well, without hitting a cat!! (Not that we ever swing them, we like petting them!).. Are finances are low, but thankfully, Sandy, Donna and Victoria's energy is high as they prepare for our Spring Yard Sale!!

The fact that PAWS has added two days to its summer yard sale can only mean one thing. Two days is not enough to unpack everything that has been donated so far, to help the kitties who are awaiting Forever Homes. And it's early yet!

As of now the shelter could literally fill a house with all the items to be sold. It would not be at all surprising to find everything from "A to Z" at this yard sale....but not all on the same day!

With limited yard space and such a large inventory, you can plan to find something new every day as PAWS volunteers continue to unpack over the four day yard sale "Event" on June 10th, 11th, 12th, and 13th. Hours are 8 TO 4 each day at 39 Clinton Street in Milo. What's more!! Prices are not fixed. Everything is being sold for a reasonable donation. For more information please call 943-2400.

Mark these dates on your calendar and bring a pickup truck.... you'll be glad you did....and so will the kitties.

If you can't make the sale and want to help you have a few options! Mail a check to the shelter at the address listed above, drop a donation in a can at the Milo Farmer's Union collection cans, or leave your cans and bottles at Three Rivers Feed and tell them they are for PAWS!!

## Thanks!!

The Milo Historical Society would like to extend a sincere thank you to everyone who contributed to making our ham and bean dinner on May 22 a big success. The dinner would not have happened without the planning and organizing of our committee members, so we thank you for your hard work. Thanks go to the Town of Milo for providing the town hall dining room and we appreciate the labor of the crew who set up the tables, chairs, and place settings. Thank you to the crew who served and waited tables; you made the event run smoothly and efficiently. We would like to thank Steve Rhoda for preparing the beans and the Milo Farmers Union for their generous donation. Thank you to the many individuals who prepared special dishes and desserts. They were all delicious and enjoyed by all. And finally, thank you to all who attended the dinner. Your support will go a long way in helping us maintain our community museum.

## 4th Annual Kiwanis Sebec River Race

The Three Rivers Kiwanis of Milo/Brownville will be sponsoring the 4th Annual Kiwanis Sebec River Race. This river race is a part of MACKRO race series DR Series 10 of 11 and the MACKRO Paddle with Kid series. Kiwanis will offer many classes of racing for both canoes and kayaks. The race will start at 10am and registration will start at 9am in the Sebec Reading Room in Sebec Village. The race will follow the Sebec River to the public boat landing in Milo. The Key Club will be having a bake sale at the finish. The awards will be presented at the Veterans Park & boat landing. This race is proudly sponsored by Earl Gerrish & Sons, Inc., Berg Sportswear, S & L NAPA Auto Parts, Trask Insurance, C & J Variety, Milo Farmers Union, Bailey Lumber Co., Harmons Shell, Lumbra Hardwoods Inc., Witham's Garage, Eastern Maine Shooting Supplies Inc., Milo House of Pizza, Bishop's Concrete, Grant's Used Cars, Elaine's Basket Cafe, Wildwoods Trailside Cabins & Lodge, Hobnobbers Restaurant, and JSI Store Fixtures. For more information contact Bobby at 943-2317 or 279-0481.

## Three Rivers Kiwanis Auction Is Looking for Items.

Are you doing some spring cleaning or down sizing? The members of Three Rivers Kiwanis of Milo/Brownville are looking for items for their annual auction, which is the biggest fund raiser of the year. The funds raised at the annual auction go to support the many projects of the club, such as Terrific Kids, Builders Club, Key Club, Boy & Girl Scouts, and the Milo Art Center, just to name a few. The auction is set for Friday, June 25th and Saturday, June 26th. To arrange a pick up or drop off call Bobby at 943-2317 or 279-0481.

Three Rivers Kiwanis meets Wednesday mornings at the Hobnobber's Restaurant in Milo at 6:15am. Visit [www.ThreeRiversKiwanis.org](http://www.ThreeRiversKiwanis.org).

## Three Rivers Kiwanis Annual Auction Friday, June 25 at 5:30 PM and Saturday, June 26 at 10:30 AM

The Three Rivers Kiwanis auction will be held on Park Street in Milo in front of the IGA.

Kiwanis yard sale will be open at noon on Friday and 9:00 AM on Saturday

The Kiwanis chuck wagon will be selling hotdogs, hamburgers, sodas, and fries.

The PVHS Key Club will be having a book sale and a food sale This is the largest fund raiser for Kiwanis, making it possible to carry on many projects for our community.

Kiwanians are collecting items for the auction and would appreciate any donations.

For further information call Bobby Ellison--943-2317, Ed Treworgy--943-7748, Nancy Harrigan--943-7377 or any Kiwanian you happen to know. Arrangements will be made to pick up any items you donate.

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## AMERICAN LEGION JUNIOR AUXILIARY SPONSORS PATRIOTIC CONTEST

The American Legion Junior Auxiliary, Unit #92 in Brownville Jct. sponsored a coloring, poster and essay contest at Brownville's Elementary School and LaGrange's Marion C. Cook school. The kindergarten and first grades colored patriotic pictures, second and third grades made posters to the theme



"How Would I Thank Our Military", and the fourth, fifth and sixth grades wrote an essay on "What Is My Role as an American Citizen." The children all did an amazing job. Lauren Worster, Brianne Dillon and Danielle Sanders from the Junior Auxiliary presented the winners with a monetary gift.

In Brownville the K-1 winners were: second place- Eira Johnson and first place- Angelina Roberts, 2nd-3rd grade winners were second place- Katelynn Bolstridge and first place Andy Gallant, 4th - 6th winners were second place- Alexandria Kearns and first place- Blake Morrison. Alyssa Murano, "Little Miss Poppy" from Unit #92 spoke to the children and staff at the Marion C. Cook school in LaGrange about the importance of the poppy. It is the "Flower of Remembrance" for all our military who have shed blood in wars overseas. She then announced the winners of the contest. K-1 were: second place- Bruce Melanson and first place Sonny Pendergast. 4th-5th: second place- Levi Boobar and first place: Bridgett Spinney. The second and third grade will do theirs next week.

Following are the essays written by the four winners.

### Alexandria Lynn Kearns Brownville Elementary 4th Grade

What is my patriotic role as a US Citizen is to help protect my family. I love my family so I have to protect my family. I don't want them to get hurt. I like how little kids are helping to. I also do respect the flag, by standing up straight, looking at the flag, putting my hand over my heart, my hand on my back, and finally singing. Oh I also take my hat off when basketball games. I also pick up trash of the side of the road. I love helping my country. My father worked in the navy. My father worked on the engines on the boat. His name is John Thomas Kearns.

I am very proud of my father. My school just had a concert on the 29th. We did the star spangled banner. We worked hard. All that work paid off though. We did good! My school's band had so much fun. I'm a flute player. Now we are in a marching band in the memorial day. I am so happy we all are helping. I love my country.

### Blake Morrison Brownville Elementary Grade 6 Way To Be Patriotic

There are many different ways to be patriotic. A good way is to love and honor your country. Be happy to live here. Even when things don't look good, be happy.

Another good way is to do the pledge everyday. You pledge your support to the country when you do the pledge. It shows you are loyal to your country.

Celebrating patriotic holidays is patriotic. Independence Day, Memorial Day and Veterans Day are examples. Making sure to celebrate them is patriotic. Go to parades for the holidays and use fireworks and other patriotic symbols on these days.

Supporting troops is patriotic. Sending cards for Christmas and other holidays show your support. Getting together food drives for the troops is another way. Making troops feel welcome when they come home or having a party when they get home are other great ways.

Taking care of the country. Keep it clean, recycle, don't litter are some good ways. Care for your country, helping your community and your country both. Keeping the land green and healthy and not with trash.

Be a good citizen. Vote at every town, state and Presidential election. Be nice and kind. Help out someone who needs some help. Be happy our country is democratic.

Show patriotic values. Be proud and happy. Love the country and love the freedom we have. Be glad to live in a free country. Be glad to have liberty. Be happy to not have an oppressive government. Being proud to be an American citizen is the best way.



## Milo Free Public Library News

By Pamela Flanagan, Rochelle Williams and Seth Barden

Rochelle and I are gearing up for this year's Summer Reading Program. The theme is - 'Make a Splash' Read! It's the library's 25<sup>th</sup> year of doing the summer reading program and the first year without Judith Macdougall Milo's recently retired library director. Rochelle and I may not have her experienced hand at the helm, but we think it's going to be a bit of splashing good fun for everyone involved. I'm currently working on updating the summer reading program's web page at <http://www.milo.lib.me.us/program2.html> and Rochelle is working on other parts of the program. We've highjacked the help of some of our young patrons to help make posters. We can't wait to see what they design for us. It's bound to be good.

In other news we spent part of the afternoon with Seth Barden working out the bugs for the TRC live streaming webcam.

Yes, the TRC will be running a live streaming webcam during the Memorial Day Parade from our front lawn. It will feature a live audio and video stream, viewable from their website at [www.trcmaine.org](http://www.trcmaine.org). After the parade, the video will be available for everyone to view on their site.

We are letting them use our internet and power for this project and wish Seth great success. As he says- "We're grateful the library is letting us use their internet and power for this project, and hope that we'll be able to use it in the future to cover more parades and events in town."

### Summer Hours

Mon. 2-8, Wed. 2-8, Fri. 1-7

### MILO ELEMENTARY HISTORY REPORTS

JSI by Dylan Spencer

JSI is a company in Milo, Maine and they make store fixtures. They use cotton materials, wood, and steel. It is a family business. It was started in 1991. Their products were made to offer their customers better displaying solutions.

They offer a wide selection of colors and finishes. They also offer green products.

The company started with ten people. Now they've grown to about 100 people. JSI values are: customers come first, value employees, satisfy experiences, use natural resources, and responsibility.

JSI has received many awards. Among those awards they have earned is a award from J. Haines for safety. They have also gotten the distinguished vendor award.

### Ricker's Dairy Farm by: Annie Cormier

Ricker's Dairy Farm was founded by Robert Ricker's father, Edward, and Edward's father. Edward and his father started operating the farm in 1888, the same year Robert Ricker was born.

In 1907 the Rickers started delivering milk. They delivered glass milk bottles from house to house.

Milo High School Breeze, a local newspaper, acknowledges Ricker's dairy for their 33 years of delivering milk in 1940. In 1954 the Rickers sought to expand and purchased the West farm. Late that year Robert Ricker died at the age of 66. A few years later in 1960 the Rickers bought the Brockway farm.

Down on Brockway Farm they were able to hire employees such as James Doble.

In 1970 the Rickers sold the dairy farm (original Brockway Farm) to Wymans. They continued to run the milk room for five years and also delivering milk.



Most recently the original Ricker Farm was used as the Estes Bird Farm in 2007.

The Junior Class of Penquis Valley would like to announce the WINNERS For the Month of May Calendar Raffle Class of 2011

May 1: Ricky Bradeen  
 May 2: Nancy Barden  
 May 3: Donna Carpenter  
 May 4: Bev Zwicker  
 May 5: Melanie Hussey  
 May 6: Lori Rosebush  
 May 7: Bev Zwicker  
 May 8: Joy Russell  
 May 9: Kathi Ward  
 May 10: Joy Russell  
 May 11: Virginia Chessa  
 May 12: JSI Office Staff  
 May 13: Sonny Grinnell  
 May 14: Sonny Grinnell  
 May 15: JSI Office Staff  
 May 16: Michael Lovejoy  
 May 17: Pauline Eldridge  
 May 18: Melanie Knowles

Prom Updo – The Wild Monkey  
 Airbrush Tan – Split Ends  
 Smith's Grocery gift card  
 One Case of Oil – Napa Auto Parts  
 Make-over gift certificate – Visual Changes  
 Gift certificate – Sebec Country Store  
 Mary Kay Basket – Jen Baker, Consultant  
 Tanning package – Split Ends  
 Basket of Chocolate – Willy Wonka  
 Airplane Ride – George Dean  
 C&J Variety G.C. & Home Town Video G.C.,  
 Pizza Lover's Basket – Milo House of Pizza  
 Riverside Florist Gift Card  
 10 X 10 Coverall; Bailey Lumber  
 Horseback Riding Lessons: Stone Ridge Stables  
 Hobnobber's Gift Certificate  
 Hair care products (\$75 value) Just Teasin'  
 C & J's Variety \$55 Gift Card

- May 19: Chris Brochy Pat's Pizza G.C., & Home Town Video G.C.
- May 20: Anne Bailey Wildwoods Restaurant Gift Certificate
- May 21: Michel Merritt 2010 Concert Series Season Tickets – The Junction
- May 22: Angie Wyman Summertime Toiletries Basket – Lyford Trucking
- May 22 (extra drawing): Ted Bessey: Shiretown Pizza G.C. & Center Theatre G.C.
- May 23: Steve Harris \$50.00 Gas Card – McKusick's Petroleum
- May 24: Mike Grinnell Dog Lover's Basket – Three Rivers Feed & Bird Feed  
Webbers Ace Hardware
- May 25: Joy Russell Surprise Basket – Northern Reflection & Penquis Valley  
Student Council
- May 26: Barrett Graves Arby's Meal Deals Gift Certificates
- May 27: Pam Stubbs True Value Gift Card
- May 28: JSI Horseback Riding Lesson – East Ridge Stables
- May 29: Dave Caivano 1 Hour Massage – Lisa Knight
- May 30: Brenda Martin Free Photography Session – Kendra Pietras Photography
- May 31: Frances Weston FITastic membership – FITastic Studio

The Junior Class of Penquis Valley High School would like to thank all who purchased tickets and also to the generous sponsors for helping make this fund raiser such a success!

The Milo Recreation Department would like to thank Mike Witham of Witham's & Sons Tree Service in Milo for donating his chipper, truck and time on Saturday morning at the Harris Field. Milo Recreation Director Dickie Martin

Summer employees of the Milo Recreation Department Bryan Russell and Brooke McLaughlin as well as Mike Witham working at Harris Field.



The Milo Recreation Department would like to thank Cody Howe, Kendra Newman and Mrs. Shapleigh for repainting the 2 murals at Harris Field.

Mrs. Shapleigh, Kendra Newman and Cody Howe shown with one of the new murals for Harris Field.

**COOK SCHOOL NEWS** Jeremiah, Dakota, and Bridgette were honored as Terrific Kids at our May 28th assembly. Mrs. Nott: Jeremiah is my Terrific Kid this week. He was a big help on Wednesday when his sister came to visit

for the day. He always comes in with a smile and tries his best. Keep up the good work, Jeremiah!

Mrs. Johnston: Dakota has had a really good week this week. He has been working more efficiently to get his work done, has remembered his homework every day, and was extremely diligent when working on the NWEA tests. He has continued to be helpful to other students in the classroom. I hope to see more of this great behavior!

Miss K.: Bridgette is always a Terrific Kid. She works hard every day to exceed the standards. Bridgette is a wonderful help in the classroom each morning before school. She has a great attitude even when she is a vampire. Thank you Bridgette. Bus Kids: Justin D., Sonny H, Colleen... Civil Rights Peacekeeper Award: The Present and Past Military people in our community. Caught Being Good Prize Winners: Kyle, Jordan, Miranda, Mackayla P., Lily Birthdays: Michael, Mrs. Willinski Upcoming Events: School Movie June 3 at 8:30. Come watch our stars walk the Red Carpet at 8:20.



Congratulations to all of our Terrific kids.

The Cook School students presented a special Memorial Day Remembrance to our family members and honored guests. Prior to the ceremony, students made poppies to wear and distribute to the audience. The 4th and 5th graders explained the history of Decoration Day and Memorial Day. The students showed their appreciation of all the Veterans in attendance and all not present today with a standing ovation. It was noted that we were very happy to have Tech Sgt. Joe Baker attend in person. To conclude the ceremony, all the students took to the stage



and sang a Medley of Armed Forces songs and "God Bless the USA."



Mrs. Brenda Roberts and Miss Poppy Alyssa Murano spoke at our Memorial Day program. Post 92 Junior Auxillary from Brownville Jct. held a Coloring, Poster and Essay Contest and the winners for K-1 and 4-5 were announced. Grade 2-3 winners will be announced at a later day. First Place winners received \$25 and Second Place winners received \$10.

First Place: Sonny P.-Second Place: Bruce

First Place: Bridgette S.-Second Place: Levi B.

Miss Poppy told us about the history of the poppy and why they are worn on Memorial Day. Thank you Brenda and Alyssa.

## MILO'S TERRIFIC KIDS

Mrs. Carey - What a terrific year this has been for all our kindergarten friends. We have watched them grow into responsible hard-working students and we are very proud of all of them. And one of these friends is a little girl who has been a good role model to her classmates all year. She's a reader - a writer - a singer - and a soon-to-be first-grader!!!! We are thankful to have had Terrific Kid Olivia Goodine in our kindergarten family.

Mrs. Walker - WE are pleased to honor one boy and one girl this week from our room: our Super Kindergarteners. He is new to our school and our room but he is really working like he has been with us all year. HE is learning a lot of new rules and making many new friends in the room. He has a big smile and is willing to try all new routines. Welcome to our newest TK Christopher Gilbert. Our 2nd TK is a girl who has many friends, too. She is very busy and has learned a lot this year. We love her blonde hair and cool hairdos. She has lots of friends in our room too. Keep reading and writing this summer. Congratulations Kasside Witham.

Mrs. Hayes - We'll finish the month of May by selecting May Horton as our terrific student. May offers so much to our group studies. She shares information with us on a number of both science and history subjects. She is a lover of learning and we are proud of her many and varied interests. Thank you for your wonderful sharing, May.

Mrs. Barden - Wow, it is the end of the year again. We have three children who have not had the terrific kid award two

times this year. We are going to honor them today. The first child is an active little girl. She has a positive attitude and loves to help others. The second child is a boy who tells great stories. He is a good reader and can't wait for second grade. Our last child is a little girl who came in the middle of the year. She may be tiny but she is full of energy. Our last terrific kids this year are Dani Godwin, Christian Lyford and Desirea Stanley. Congratulations to them!!!

Mrs. Hussey - Since this is the last Terrific Kid assembly this year, I would like to honor my entire first grade class. It's been a very long time since I've taught a whole class of first graders and they have been wonderful! They've worked hard to become great readers and writers. I'm amazed at how their math skills have grown, too. I've been very proud of their care and concern for each other. They always try to follow the "I Care" rules of our classroom and be cooperative with each other and staff at Milo Elementary. They've earned many warm fuzzies for compliments from adults for their behavior! Congratulations first graders!!

Mrs Tardiff - I would like to have my entire class be Terrific Kids this week. They all worked very hard on the NWEA's even on a very hot day. My students did their best under not-so-great circumstances. Great job, class!!

Mrs. Dunham - Our terrific kid is a girl who could be terrific kid every week. She has made great progress in all areas. She has shown all those qualities a teacher would want in any student. She is kind, dependable, polite and hard working. Next year's fourth grade teacher is going to be proud to have her in her class. Congratulations and good luck next year to Madisyn Bellaty!

Mrs. Mills - My final terrific kid for this year is someone that has exhibited the characteristics of a terrific kid all year long. She is a hard worker. She is polite. She is helpful. She is a wonderful student. She is willing to try anything that is put before her. She has super manners. She is a great friend. These are all things that make her the perfect choice for our final terrific kid. She is truly someone that could be chosen each week. I will be sad to see her go, but they are going to be very happy when she walks in the door for fourth grade. Way to go, Camryn Rolfe.

Mrs. Whitney - The terrific kid in Whitney's World is trying very hard to finish all his work and asks for help when needed. He works steadily at all jobs assigned and is always willing to take part in class discussions. He is turning into a fine, responsible young man and is definitely developing the work ethic necessary to progress to fifth grade. Congratulations, Cooper Brown.

Mrs. McMahon - Mrs. McMahon's Terrific Kid is a young man who has had a very successful fourth grade year from beginning to end. This student is respectful and kind. He is very responsible and always puts forth his best efforts in everything he does. He can also be pretty entertaining in the classroom too! Congratulations to Noah Zambrano!!

Mrs. Knowlton - Mrs. Knowlton would like to recognize the students and adults who went to Boston last Friday. This was the BEST trip ever, and not just because the weather was perfect! The students were well behaved on the bus, inquisitive learners at the museum, great listeners on the Freedom Trail, and a pleasure to travel with. They represented Maine and SAD 41 very well. Herb, our guide, was very impressed and I was very, very proud. The chaperones on the trip were also wonderful. They were helpful and kind and



did anything I asked of them. Congratulations to this terrific group:

Colin Beckett, Rayne Berry, Peter Bishop, Candace Chase, Devon Cuthbertson, Krista Dearborn, Caitlyn Gerrish, Cody Guarino, Jason Lewis, Rebecca Maxcy, Alana Nickerson, Clayton Preble, Ben Tarnoczy, Mariah Tuscano, Noah Williams, Wesley Carey, Heather Carpenter, Autumn Dow, Keith Emery, Lilly Hitchcock, Tabby Lemon, Alexis Peters, Emily Spack, Brianna Stone, Sierra Varney, Macy Wood and the chaperones: Ms. Pat, Casey Leighton, Jeff Beaulieu, Vicki Carey, Mrs. Graham, Tiffany Sanborn, Mrs. Preble

Mrs. Clukey - Six C's terrific kid this week goes to a student who has worked hard all year to improve his academics. He is almost always willing to go the extra step to get his work completed. I know this hasn't been an easy task for him. He has also worked very hard to be an advocate for himself. I think these new skills will be a big asset for him next year. Telos Wallace is 6C's terrific kid this week.

Ms. Dixon-Wallace - I am very proud to have this young man as this week's second time Terrific Kid in DW 6. This student has had some ups and downs this year, but has definitely been up the past few weeks in regard to his schoolwork. He has proven to both Mrs. Clukey and me that he is more than ready to move on to Middle School in the fall. Congratulations go to Zac Gendron for all of his hard work. Keep it up!

Terrific Kids 1- James Sundvall 2- Camron Bailey Entire class 3,4,5,6 and Mrs. Page Peacekeeper of the Week

Mrs. Beres -Brownville Elementary staff wants to wish Mrs. Beres and Joe, a long and happy retirement! You deserve it!!

### **5th Annual Three Rivers Kiwanis Canoe Race Saturday, June 19th**

Race starts in Sebec Village and ends at Veterans Park in Milo. Registration in the Village at 9:00 AM and race starts at 10:00. \$15 per person either canoe or kayak

1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners will be announced at the Gazebo beginning at 12:30 PM. Coffee and donuts will be sold at the Reading Room in Sebec at registration time.

Food will be available for racers and firemen at the Gazebo after 11:00 AM, compliments of Kiwanis.

For further information or race registration forms call Bobby Ellison at 943-2317

This is an annual fund raiser to help fund projects for the children and citizens in this area done by Three Rivers Kiwanis.

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

May 19, 2010 Regular Morning Meeting

The meeting at Hobnobbers was called to order at 6:45 AM, and was attended by seventeen members. We had an interclub from Dover-Foxcroft with four members and seven from Key Club.

Eben led us in the Pledge of Allegiance and Herbie offered the Morning Prayer. Josh Clement and Jim Lord will be celebrating their birthdays on May 23. Fourteen happy/sad dollars were collected - Jim Lord back in town; end of school library program for this season; Red Sox; flags up around town and how nice they look; rain needed for gardens; happy to be here; golf games. One piece of communication reminded us of the International meeting to be held June 5 at Tufts University.

There will be a Canoe Race Committee meeting on May 20 at Treworgys and will include review of the plans for the Kiwanis Auction. On Saturday, May 22 there will be a bottle drive by the youth who are supporting the bike path to be put in at Harris Field.

Upcoming Programs: May 26 - Key Club members will tell us about their recent trip to Spain. June speaker chairmen are Jim Lord and Frank Cochrane.

Other dates to remember: June 19 the Canoe Race; June 25 and 26 the Annual Kiwanis Auction; June 27 the Cruise In. Calendar sales orders are due by June 1. Also, the town is coming together for a Black Fly Festival to be held on July 3. Details will be available soon.



The following Key Club members were present: Camille Cramer, Stephanie Vachon, Kendra Newman, Dani Newman, Alex Drummond, Alyssa Gray, and Dustin Ellison. They gave us a presentation of the New England Key Club Convention that took place the weekend of April 9 to 11 in Springfield, Mass. There were about a thousand attendees. They learned about projects that other Key Clubs are doing. They attended workshops intended specifically for officers on topics such as how to run a meeting, division of work for officers, how to report to national, and tips for efficiency. They had several mixers to get to know the other attendees and a couple of dances, so it was a lot of fun for all who attended. The ideas that they came back with for the local club are a better system for meeting minutes, having a project of work for officers, and be better prepared next year for the awards that are given at the convention. They thanked our club for all our support and sponsorship.

June 2, 2010 Regular Morning Meeting

The meeting at Hobnobbers was called to order at 6:45 AM, and was attended by fifteen members. We had an interclub from Dover-Foxcroft with four members and one from Key Club.

Eben led us in the Pledge of Allegiance and George offered the Morning Prayer. We have one birthday this week: Paul Grindle on the 4<sup>th</sup>. Ten happy/sad dollars were collected - Memorial Parade over; 60<sup>th</sup> high school reunion coming up; sad for poor attendance at today's meeting; no speaker today.

Five Milo members attended the Dover-Foxcroft meeting yesterday for an interclub.

Heidi recognized all Kiwanians who served in the armed forces. Eleven of those present stood while the rest of us applauded them. Eben mentioned that this is the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary year of the Korean War.

The R.I.F. program Milo Book Swap will be held on Monday and Wednesday of next week (7<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup>).

Jim from D-F will work with Paul Davis to try to get Kroemer Pond on the record for a Hooked on Fishing Day to be held next October. Also, C&J's John Foran will be working with one of his suppliers to get the fishing poles for the event. The cost is expected to be shared by Kiwanis and the Milo Recreation Dept. John will also help with other needed supplies, such as hooks, floats, etc.

Edwin passed out form letters to be used to collect donations from the community for the auction. Members were asked to volunteer to make contacts and then report back to Edwin.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 AM

Respectfully submitted, Nancy Harrigan, Secretary

### **Milo Veterans Memorial Groundbreaking Ceremony & Parade**

July 3, 2010, Milo, Maine, will be holding a Veterans Memorial Groundbreaking Ceremony at 1:30 preceded by a Parade featuring Veterans and Color Guards from around the state. The parade will start at 12 noon at the American Legion Hall on West Main Street and end at Evergreen Cemetery where the Groundbreaking Ceremony will take place. Pavers for the Memorial will be available for sale. The proceeds will help defray the cost of the memorial.

### **Milo holds first Black Fly Festival**

July 3, 2010, Milo, Maine, will be hosting its first annual Black Fly Festival in conjunction with the Veterans Memorial Groundbreaking Ceremony. It will feature craft and business vendors from the area, a farmers market, and family-friendly activities. To end this fun filled day, there will be a Country Western Jamboree at the Town Hall from 5 to 8. There will be food available provided by the American Legion Ladies Auxiliary. Admission to the Jamboree is by donation, and there will be a small charge for the food. Anyone interested in being

a vendor is asked to contact Sandra Haley at PO Box 54, Milo, ME 04463, or at 207-279-1808

## **HARD TIMES WITHOUT DEPRESSION GROWING UP IN MAINE 1920-1940**

Reminiscences by Ken Zwicker

### **An old hand ready for people-watching**

Earlier this month we received assurances from the oil industry that we'd have no problem getting gasoline for traveling this summer, because there would be an abundant supply.

The main reason, of course, is that an automobile trip that was fun when it could be taken for \$25 worth of gas, isn't fun when fuel for the same trip costs \$100 or more.

I predict, therefore, the revival of a practice which was once the favorite pastime of the people of Milo, Maine. They used to drive "downtown" every night after supper and park on Main Street to watch people. That's right-just to watch people.

Milo is only four miles south of Brownville, my hometown, but Brownville wasn't laid out right for people-watching.

In Milo, on the other hand, Main Street is on a slight incline and most of the stores were there, along with a barber shop, soda fountain and movie theater.

Two streets entered Maine Street on one side, which limited parking there. The opposite side, however, was uninterrupted and had a good sidewalk, with diagonal parking all the way from the top of the incline to a bridge where the shopping section ended.

Parking on Maine Street to watch people was so popular among Milo citizens, it became very competitive. People-watchers would hurry through supper so they could get down to Main Street ahead of their friends and neighbors and get a good parking spot.

One of the best locations was right beside a crosswalk and directly in front of the Milo Theater. In that choice position, a husband and wife, working together, could get far more people watched than was possible in the average parking space.

The husband, sitting on the driver's side of the car, could turn his head slightly to the left and watch the people crossing the street on the crosswalk, as well as those going down the hill. His wife, on the passenger's side, could swing her eyes to the right, and follow people walking up the hill. Both could cover people walking to and fro in front of the car.

The regulars parked in the same spot on Maine Street every evening. I suspect that eventually something akin to proprietary rights to particular parking spaces developed, a sort of unwritten code which held that parking locations were sort of like pew in church, reserved for particular families.

Some husband-and-wife teams would literally spend hours people-watching.

One night another teen-ager and I were wondering how long one particular couple would spend watching other people walk up and down Main Street.

We were in Leonard's Restaurant drinking Cherry Cokes when this man and his wife arrive at 6:30 and parked in front of the place.

They were eating peanuts in the shell, from Ted Berg's A&P store, when we entered the Milo Theater at 7 o'clock to see "The Maltese Falcon." When we emerged from

the theater more than two hours later, they were still sitting there.

We went back into Leonard's Restaurant to drink some more Cherry Cokes and talk to whichever one of the pretty Leonard daughters was on duty that night, and hung around there until after 10 o'clock.

It was almost 10:30 when these dedicated people-watchers finally called it a night and headed for home. They held the record, so far as I can recall.

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In this day and age, sitting in an automobile for four hours on the main street of a small town watching people may not seem like very good entertainment, but it was in those days-and it was cheap.

If those people-watchers had been driving for four hours instead of sitting, they would have covered at least 200 miles. And today, unfortunately, when we think in terms of driving 200 miles, we no longer consider only the time but also how much it's going to cost.

Therefore, thanks to the OPEC nations and the American oil industry-which I think has been running the country since World War II - people-watching may soon make a comeback in smalltown America.

When it does, I'm ready. I've watched enough people watch people so I know just how to do it.

## **21st Annual Cruize-In**

The Penquis Cruizers and the Milo Elementary PTO are teaming up again this year to present the 21st Annual Cruize-In on June 27th at the JSI Store Fixtures parking lot on Route 11 from 10am to 2pm. This is the second year the two organizations have joined forces for this event which had previously been an undertaking of the Penquis Cruizers.

Organizers report that there will be few changes in the activities this year. "If it works, we're not going to make changes," says Susan Worcester, Cruize-In organizer for the car club. "We've added and changed and taken away activities through the years and the schedule and routine that we have had for the last several years seem to keep bringing people back to Milo," she reports.

The event draws people from as far away as Presque Isle, Portland, and Cherryfield. It is an opportunity for automobile enthusiasts to enjoy the company of others who share this common interest without competition. Organizers remind those planning to attend that this is not a car show. There are no classes and few trophies. It is a chance to park your ride and visit with others.

Music will be provided by Neptune Entertainment throughout the day. The Three Rivers Kiwanis will be selling refreshments.

There will be dash plaques for all who register a vehicle. Also, those registered have the opportunity to participate in the Bumper Ball Contest and the Rap Contest. Bumper Ball is for those with excellent depth perception as the participants see how close they can back their vehicle up to a post with a ball on top without knocking the ball off. If you think you've got a loud ride, the Rap Contest will let you find out just how loud. The noise level from the exhaust is measured by a decibel meter. Awards are given for first, second, and third place in these events.

Throughout the day, National Street Rod Association inspectors will be available to provide safety inspections for vehicles registered in the show. This activity is sponsored by the Central Maine Street Rod Club and the inspectors choose one vehicle to receive the NSRA Safety Award.

As always, there will be awards for the vehicle (and driver) who traveled the longest distance on the day of the event. Those registered will have an opportunity to select their Favorite Cruizer and if anyone has an unfortunate experience to relate in conjunction with their attendance at the show, a Hard Luck Story award will be presented. We'll also have a 50-50 raffle as well as a Steering Wheel Clock Raffle (both drawn at the end of the day) and giveaways throughout the day.

One of the big draws for this event is the auction held starting at 1pm (unless the weather necessitates an earlier start time). There will be car related items, old and new, as well as items donated by area businesses and home made items.

Admission to the Cruise-In is \$3 for adults. Children under 13 are admitted free as long as they are accompanied by an adult; if unaccompanied, admission is \$2. No pets. No alcohol. Just lots of fun.

For more information about the Cruise-In, contact Fred or Susan at 965-8070.

## Penquis Valley Class of 2010

### History teacher from Milo lauded by national DAR—Reprinted from The Bangor Daily News

MILO, Maine — A history teacher at Penquis Valley High School for more than 35 years placed third in the National DAR Outstanding Teacher of American History Contest this spring. Russell Carey, who grew up here, was nominated to receive the state honor by Tisbury Manor Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, in Monson. Chapter member Barbara Joyce, state recording secretary, said she had been impressed by Carey's effort to have every student graduating from PVHS do a family genealogy.

"That project is what made me decide to nominate him," Joyce said. "And it turns out he far exceeded our expectations." Members of Tisbury Manor said they were thrilled to learn first that Carey had won the Maine DAR Outstanding Teacher of American History award for 2010. Three generations of the Carey family, including son Ian and father Herbert, accompanied the teacher to the state banquet where he was honored. His nomination packet included letters from teachers, a principal, a prominent lawyer and a retired brigadier general of the U.S. Army. But Joyce said it was Carey's words themselves that touched the hearts of DAR members.

Carey had learned from his grandfather Arthur the story of Revolutionary War veteran Ezekiel Chase, who enlisted in the Continental Army in 1778 and was taken prisoner by the British in 1781. "He was confined on a prison ship anchored in the harbor of New York City and suffered great tortures and inhumane conditions for nearly two years," Carey wrote. "Ezekiel survived and eventually became the first settler in Sebec." Ancestor Alasco Carey served in the 12th Maine Infantry in the Civil War. On sentry duty one night he had no choice but to fire his rifle when a shadowy figure in the darkness ignored his warning shouts. His target turned out to be, as Russell puts it, "a marauding mule trying to slip through the lines." On telling this story on himself, Alasco always said, "Well, at least we had fresh meat for several days."

Not all the soldiers who come to life in Carey's classroom are his ancestors. Pat Paterson was exposed to mustard gas on the Western Front during World War I. "His eyes were constantly filled with tears, his nose was always running, and he was always coughing to clear his lungs," Carey wrote. "To compound problems, he also suffered from shell shock. His body shook uncontrollably, and he had a difficult time speaking, walking and eating. He had no family, and his one true friend was my grandfather, Charles Doble. "My grandfather would take me with him whenever he went to visit Pat. He wanted me to see and hear what war could do to a man.

"When Pat passed away I helped my grandfather clean out his little house," Carey wrote. "My grandfather gave me Pat's doughboy helmet, his dog tags, his bayonet with four notches carved into its wooden handle, and one of his service medals. Today, when we discuss the Great War in my classes, I relate my experiences with this veteran and let the kids handle his personal artifacts. Combined with excerpts from the book, 'All Quiet on the Western Front,' and black-and-white photos of the War to Make the World Safe for Democracy, my students have an easy time remembering and understanding the cost of the War To End All Wars."

For three decades, Carey has taken students to Washington for the Close Up government studies program, encouraging young people to take seriously the obligation of becoming the citizens of tomorrow. On Election Day, he likes to walk his government classes to Milo's polling place in the town hall, where those who are qualified are encouraged to vote.

And he continues to soak up history, a few years ago taking his son on a 3,600-mile bicycle trip from Oregon to Milo.

Carey has been to historic sites at Jamestown and Yorktown, Fort McHenry and Mount Vernon, Bull Run and Antietam and Gettysburg. "I have stood on the USS Arizona's Memorial at Pearl Harbor," he writes, "and seen the wall of names and the great ship's eternal oil slick. I have taken students to stand at ground zero and at the Statue of Liberty in New York."

Carey's mother was a schoolteacher for 40 years. Carey has taught American history for nearly that long, in the place that gave him life — and a love of history that will live in generations of youth from Milo.