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SAD 4 Data breach widens

More employees complain of ID theft

By Nick McCrea
BDN Staff

GUILFORD — A March data breach at School Administrative District 4 has affected at least 55 employees, according to the Piscataquis County Sheriff's Department.

Investigator Guy Dow said the employees have requested police reports connected to the breach after becoming victims of identity theft.

The district has said anyone who received a W-2 from the district during the last filing period should take steps to protect their identities

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Observer photo/Stuart Hedstrom

ANDROCLES AND THE LION — Last week Brownville Elementary grade 3-5 students were visited by a pair of actors from the New Hampshire-based Children's Stage Adventures, who worked with the pupils over several days leading up to a Friday night performance of Aesop's play "Androcles and the Lion". The Brownville students presented their production for their younger peers as well as Milo Elementary pupils during the afternoon of May 6.

SAD 41 public meetings set for next month

By Stuart Hedstrom
Staff Writer

MILO — The month of June will be busy for SAD 41 officials as the district is hosting sessions pertaining to the construction project and 2016-17 school budget over several weeks, with the dates being scheduled during the May 4 school board meeting.

"June 8 we will have our first public meeting on the construction plan at 5:30 p.m.," Board Chair Arthur Herbst said, with this gathering taking place at the Penquis Valley School. "June 21 we will have the annual district budget meeting," he added, with a public information session starting that evening at 5:30 at Penquis.

"June 28 will be the referendum vote in the towns on our budget," Herbst said, as resi-

dents in Atkinson, Brownville, LaGrange and Milo head to the polls to make a decision on the 2017 spending plan.

On Thursday, June 9 the AOS 43 directors will meet at 5:30 p.m. at the Marion C. Cook School in LaGrange to decide this budget, with these officials making the decision to enact the funding package as presented or not.

The full schedule of upcoming meetings is at <http://www.aos43.com>.

"Mr. (Michael) Wright has been in the throes of working through the budget," Assistant Superintendent Stacy Shorey said, as the superintendent was out of the office on May 4.

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Directors approve \$10.5M budget

Public school district meeting set for May 31

By Stuart Hedstrom
Staff Writer

DOVER-FOXCROFT — The RSU 68 school board gave its approval to a \$10,515,086 budget for the 2016-17 academic year during a May 3 meeting at the SeDoMoCha School. This total represents an increase of nearly \$393,400 from the current spending plan.

"I'm recommending the date of May 31 be established for the public information session and

district budget meeting," Superintendent Robert Lucy said, with this session starting at 6 p.m. at SeDoMoCha. Budget items approved on Tuesday, May 31 will then go to a referendum two weeks later as on Tuesday, June 14 residents of Charleston, Dover-Foxcroft, Monson and Sebec will vote on the total spending plan figure with a "yes" or "no" vote.

During the development of the budget, Lucy has said the plan re-

flects the educational needs of the district while also being fiscally responsible to taxpayers. During the April school board meeting, he said the assessments for the four district communities would rise by 5.48 percent, a figure less than the 5.85 increase that is in the current year's budget.

The assessments are scheduled to be set by the school board during a special meeting on June 21. The directors will meet one week af-

ter the referendum to approve the computation and declaration of votes.

In other business, Lucy said the last day of school — barring any unforeseen circumstances — will be June 14, with students being dismissed at 11:30 a.m.

The superintendent also said a rescheduled meeting between

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Corridor moratorium ordinance extended through November

By Stuart Hedstrom
Staff Writer

DOVER-FOXCROFT — Nearly two years ago residents approved an ordinance concerning private distribution corridors, including paved highways, pipelines and high tension transmission lines. The moratorium enacted in 2014 — meaning permits for these types of development projects cannot be granted during the timeline — was in effect for 180 days. The moratorium has since been extended three times with the current extension in place through June.

During a May 9 meeting of the selectmen another 180-day timeframe running through the end of November was approved. Town Manager Jack Clukey had said that as long as reasonable progress was being made to address the needs identified in the moratorium, such as updating the comprehensive plan, extensions can be granted.

Selectman Steve Grammont said the moratorium was discussed at the last meeting of the comprehensive planning committee. "The process of getting the comprehensive plan passed and the following ordinances

will be another year or so," he said, meaning there will likely be at least one more moratorium extension to be voted on toward the end of the year.

"We do have our comprehensive plan submitted to the state, we did that last week," Clukey said, with a response expected by the end of June. He said a finalized plan is scheduled to be on the November ballot.

"We will have to name an ordinance committee, probably soon after November," Clukey said, provided the comprehensive plan is approved by residents. The updated ordinances would then be brought forward for a vote in November of 2017.

In other business, the board approved a proclamation for Arbor Week to be recognized May 15-20.

"We have been doing this for probably four years now since being designated as a Tree City USA," Clukey said. "Every year we try to do something that week."

The town manager said trees have been planted in the past

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Officials pondering options for walkway

By Stuart Hedstrom
Staff Writer

DOVER-FOXCROFT — Years ago an elevated, enclosed walkway was used to go between the second floors of the county courthouse and jail. Today the short structure serves as storage space for the sheriff's office, and is blocked off on the courthouse side.

With snow and ice falling off the walkway creating a safety hazard, the idea of tearing down the walkway has been discussed by county officials. The Piscataquis County Commissioners

examined the concept some more during a May 3 meeting after being presented with a demolition proposal from Mid-South Engineering of Millinocket.

"This is not something we have to do immediately but it is something that has been identified by the safety committee as an issue," Interim County Manager Tom Lizotte said. He said estimates had been difficult to get as the courthouse side of the walkway would need to be fixed and the walkway also contains a pipe for the sprinkler system and electrical connections running

between the two buildings. Lizotte said Mid-South Engineering provided a \$41,500 estimate for the project, and these funds could come from the over \$85,000 in the building improvement account. "We're talking months into the future if you decide to do that," Lizotte said, saying the sheriff's office would first need to move its items stored in the walkway. "The money exists to do that and my feeling is eventually we need to do this," he said.

Head of Maintenance David Ronco said the walkway could

contain some layers of lead paint and possibly asbestos. He said the sprinkler pipe would need to remain between the two buildings, and even with a protective covering there would be a threat of falling ice damage.

"Obviously we have to do something, I'd like to have a tour of the place," Commissioners Chair Fred Trask said.

Sheriff John Goggin, who said the walkway has likely been in place for at least 70 years,

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Complementing competitiveness with benevolence

GUILFORD — Life for a high school student-athlete or coach has been consumed for generations by the pursuit of improvement that ultimately is measured by success on the field of play.

That success may be defined in many ways, from winning a state championship to merely being able to celebrate the chance to participate in a particular sport.

One other measure of success that has been around for generations but perhaps takes on more importance in these days of instant social-media critique and personal hardship are the opportunities taken to give back to the people and communities

that support those athletic endeavors.

Whether it's a team running collectively in a road race that raises awareness about breast cancer or domestic violence or 50-50 raffles designated to benefit a specific cause or nonprofit organization, the time and energy spent by players and coaches for charitable purposes may be one of the more noteworthy by-products of the chance to be part of a team.

The Sports OBSERVER
By Ernie Clark



Take the Penobscot Valley

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Kindergartners and loved ones come together for Mother's Day Tea

By Stuart Hedstrom
Staff Writer

DOVER-FOXCROFT — The four classes of kindergartners at the SeDoMoCha Elementary School had some special visitors on the afternoon of Friday, May 6 as many of the students had their mothers, and/or some other family members, stop by for the annual Mother's Day Tea in the school cafeteria.

In-between greeting the guests of honor before their children came into the cafeteria, teacher Erica Tapley explained the students made art projects to give to their mothers, grandmothers, aunts or other visitors — totaling about 60 adults or an average of one per youngster. "There's tea-cups with a bag inside," Tapley said about one gift, with the tables also decorated with small jars containing what she described as scents for the tub.

Tapley said the kindergartners created hand print crafts and paper flowers. "They made little coupon books for hugs and kisses or doing the dishes or breakfast in

bed," she said.

Sixteen tables — four per class — were decorated with either green or pink tablecloths, placemats and plates, cups and silverware for the tea, organized by class with settings for each student and their guest. Tapley said iced and hot tea and water and slices of marble cake would be served to the mothers and youngsters.

As the visitors came into the cafeteria about a half dozen middle school students stood off to the side by the table with the cake and drinks. For the second year in a row a group of "eighth-grade helpers" are assisting at the Mother's Day Tea, Tapley said. "Our eighth-graders helped decorate and they are going to be our servers," she said.

Speaking through a microphone Tapley told the guests, "Your kids are super excited to have you here and show you some things they made for you." She added, "Thank you very much for coming — we appreciate it — and happy Mother's Day."



Observer photo/Jeanette Hughes

AMERICANISM ESSAYS — Milo Elementary School Americanism Essay winners were recognized at American Legion Post 41 on May 4. Pictured are, from left, grade 3 teacher Miranda McMahon; Victoria Silva, who earned first-place honors for grade 3; Joe Heffenreffer, fourth grade; Brenda Roberts, Milo Unit 41 state Americanism officer; and Elbe Nutter, Milo Unit 41 president. The other students who submitted essays were unable to attend. Each essay writer received a certificate from the Auxiliary, a medal and the two winners both received a \$25 check.

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Learning Center, Museum opening

MILO — The Harrigan Learning Center and Museum, adjacent to the Three Rivers Kiwanis clubhouse, has been growing and developing for many months. On Thursday, May 12, at 10 a.m. the opening ceremony will begin, followed by museum tours at 11:30 a.m. and light refreshments at the clubhouse at 12:30 p.m..

The wonderful collection of fossils, minerals and artifacts in the museum have been accumulated by Tom Harrigan over a span of 40 years as he and his wife Nancy have traveled the globe choosing the many objects on display. He is very happy to

now be able to share his labor of love with friends, neighbors and visitors.

An electrical engineer himself, Harrigan recognizes that everyone can be lifelong learners, and scholars of all ages and walks of life will find the many opportunities for enriching their knowledge a friendly and positive experience when visiting the Harrigan Learning Center and Museum.

Murals decorating the walls were painted by local artist, Suzette East. The murals are beautiful as well as serving the purpose of being a visualization of the

time period of the displays. More pictures are available at <http://www.threerivers-kiwanis.org/Page/28755>

The Harrigan Learning Center and Museum is owned and operated by the Three Rivers Kiwanis Milo-Brownville Foundation and has been made possible by the generosity of Nancy and Tom Harrigan. The club and community is very fortunate to have the Harrigans as members and residents and. It is their hope that contributions from visitors and other interested parties will continue to support this unique and invaluable asset to the area.

Violette receives School Library Support Staff Award

GUILFORD — The Maine Association of School Libraries announced recently that Charlotte Violette has been chosen for the School Library Support Staff of the Year Award. She is the library educational technician at Piscataquis Community Elementary School.

The association award is intended to honor educational technicians who have made a significant contribution to their local school library media program and/or have demonstrated commitment to those efforts at the state level. The nomination documents praise for Violette's enthusiasm and ingenuity in the library. When faced with a budgetary challenge, she successfully wrote a grant and received \$3,000 from author James Patterson to purchase books and a scanner for the school library. She encourages the use of technology and Internet resources in the library.

The PCES library was automated recently with Evergreen database software. Violette frequently attends the meeting of the Maine Balsam Consortium, the group responsible for the Evergreen software. She is also the assistant technology lead person for the school and is well versed in sorting out technologi-



Contributed photo

LIBRARY HONOR — Charlotte Violette, right, of Piscataquis Community Elementary School in Guilford receives the School Library Support Staff of the Year Award from Tina Taggart, Maine Association of School Libraries incoming president.

cal challenges. She works closely with teachers in planning library lessons that mirror what is being taught in the classroom as well as providing library materials that support those lessons.

She makes sure that the school library is a warm, welcoming place for students and staff.

Violette received the award at the association symposium on April 30.

UMFK recognizes TRIO students

FORT KENT — The TRIO, student support services program, at the University of Maine at Fort Kent held its eighth annual recognition banquet last

month.

Olivia Bouchard of Greenville received honorable mention for the Most Successful Senior Award.

Among TRIO students recognized and presented with a Student Support Services cord, to wear at graduation, was Jazzmine Cobb of Guilford.

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Effort to provide relief to natural resources industries

AUGUSTA — On the final day of the legislative session, Sen. Paul Davis (R-Sangerville) received bipartisan praise for his work to ensure Maine's agriculture, aquaculture and wood harvesting industries are supported.

Included as a provision within a bill that passed earlier in April, LD 1606, the proposal from Davis provides a sales tax exemption on fuel used in the commercial agriculture, aquaculture and wood harvesting industries. By lowering the tax burden that businesses pay for fuel products, the legislation would free up money for businesses to invest elsewhere, whether that be maintaining their current business, expanding their business or em-

ploying more Mainers.

"A sales tax exemption on fuel provides these industries with a needed boost," said Davis. "We must support the jobs in our natural resources sector that have for so long been an integral part of Maine's economy. Tax relief is a key way to spur economic success and encourage job growth."

During discussion about the proposal on the Senate floor, Senate Minority Leader Justin Alford (D-Portland) stated that Davis "has done a fabulous job highlighting something that we can do right now to help our folks that work so hard in the lumber industry."

The tax relief goes into effect on Jan. 1, 2017.

Community Matters More winners

BANGOR — The Bangor Savings Foundation has announced the 2016 grant recipients in the Community Matters More program. The ninth annual grant program awards \$100,000 to 68 Maine nonprofit organizations chosen by a public ballot voting process. Thousands of Mainers voted during February for 2,897 nonprofits located in every Maine county.

The top vote-getters, including write-ins, in eight regions of the state each receive a \$5,000 grant. Forty other organizations listed on the ballot receive a \$1,000 grant, and the 20 write-in candidates earning the most votes also win \$1,000.

The 2016 Community Matters More \$5,000 grant recipient in the Aroostook/Northern Penobscot/Piscataquis region is the Dover-Foxcroft Area Food Cup-

board.

Receiving a \$1,000 grant is Friends of Community Fitness in Guilford, the Greenville Junction Depot Friends and the Aliza Jean Family Cancer Foundation of Harmony.

"Each year it is wonderful to see the variety of nonprofit organizations that receive support during the Community Matters More program," said Bangor Savings Bank President and CEO Bob Montgomery-Rice. "From small home-based entities to large organizations providing services to thousands, Maine has no shortage of nonprofits that play an essential role in their communities."

Community Matters More is a partnership of the Bangor Savings Bank Foundation, WLBZ-2, WCSH-6, WGAN 560 Newsradio and Blueberry Broadcasting. In addition to the grant money, the 48 nonprofits included on the ballot received substantial exposure about their missions.

FA announces top students

DOVER-FOXCROFT — At Foxcroft Academy's 86th Rose Award ceremony, Head of School Arnold Shorey announced Gabriela Johnson as the Valedictorian and Xu "Michael" Wang as the Salutatorian of the Class of 2016. Foxcroft Academy's graduation ceremony will be held on Sunday, June 12, at 1:30 p.m. Baccalaureate will be held prior to graduation at noon.

Johnson is the daughter of David and Tonya Johnson of Dover-Foxcroft. She has a GPA of 3.906, has accumulated more than 300 hours of community service, is a member of the National Honor Society and will graduate with 15 college credits. She is an active participant of Key Club and the Peer Mentor Team and has been an integral member of Foxcroft's swimming and softball teams, serving as captain her senior year.

Johnson will attend Westminster College to study biology, and upon graduating with a Bachelor of Science degree, she intends to enroll in medical school to pursue a career as a general surgeon. She will also swim at Westminster, where she projects to be one of their leading breaststrokers.

"Foxcroft Academy has given me the tools to succeed," Johnson said. "I've always wanted to go to med school since I was a little kid. Growing up near and around hospitals, that environment propelled me to work to be a doctor."

Wang, the son of Shan Shi and Lei Wang, was born in Japan and



Photo courtesy of Foxcroft Academy

2016 ROSE AWARD RECIPIENTS — Foxcroft Academy recognized the top scholars in the Class of 2016 during the annual Rose Award ceremony on May 4, with the honor recognizing students who have accumulated a GPA placing them in the top 15 percent of their class. Pictured are front, from left, Madison Fadley, Angelina Buzzelli, Gabriela Johnson, Renee Smith, Dylan Harmon-Weeks and Cooper Nelson. Back, Xu Wang, Kai-Ku Hsu, Han-Yu Hsiao, Yun-Ting Tsai, Avery Carroll and Racquel Bozzelli. Not pictured, Antonio Ayala.

moved to Shanghai, China, at the age of six. He came to Foxcroft Academy his freshman year and has been very involved during his four years, participating in Band, String Ensemble, Key Club and National Honor Society. Wang was also a member of the golf team and was president of the Asian Culture Club and captain of the math team.

Wang's passions are mathematics and finance, and he will attend the University of California at Berkeley, where he intends to declare a math major. He hopes to one day become a financial analyst.

"At first it was hard for me at FA," Wang said who speaks English as his second language. "Because of the language barrier and because it was my first time living away from home, it was hard, but the more I used English the better student I became. FA has really good classes, and I could explore studies freely. At FA, I was able to gain the confidence to go to Berkeley."

Johnson and Wang were two of 14 students from the Class of 2016 recognized as outstanding scholars

at the annual Rose Award ceremony on May 4. The Rose Awards were established in 1931 when Frank G. Stone was head of Foxcroft Academy. Rose Award recipients have accumulated a GPA that places them in the top 15 percent of permanent students in their class.

The other rose recipients are Antonio Ayala, Racquel Bozzelli, Angelina Buzzelli, Avery Carroll, Madison Fadley, Jianyu Hao, Dylan Harmon-Weeks, Han-Yu Hsiao, Kai-Ku Hsu, Cooper Nelson, Renee Smith and Yun-Ting Tsai.

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and determine whether their information was used to file fraudulent tax returns. The district includes Guilford, Abbot, Cambridge, Parkman, Sangerville and Wellington.

In late March, a district payroll employee received an email that appeared to be from Superintendent Ann Kirkpatrick, asking for employee W-2 information. The sender was a scammer. The employee sent along

that information but redacted Social Security numbers. When the person or persons posing as Kirkpatrick pressed the district employee about sending Social Security numbers and birth dates, the employee became suspicious and the district notified police.

When several employees attempted to file tax forms this year, they discovered false ones already had been filed.

Dow said the investigation hasn't revealed how the false tax forms were filed without access to the Social Security numbers. Kirkpatrick has speculated they may have been obtained through different means.

SAD 4 isn't the first district to be targeted by scammers this

tax season. School officials in Brunswick reported a similar scam attempt around the same time. Brunswick administrators responded in much the same way as Guilford, providing initial documentation but notifying police when the scammer posing as the superintendent requested Social Security numbers and dates of birth.

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Honor Rolls

Local Schools announce honor rolls

Foxcroft Academy

Grade 9 — High honors: Shania Bates, Brigid Casey, Lauren Cooper, Nicolas Daneman, Jonathan Feix, Madison Hall, Abigail Henderson, Spencer Ireland, Gavyn Morehead, Cailin Seavey, Dustin Simmons, Matthew Spooner, Hannah Sprecher and Hunter Watt. **Honors:** Hunter Annis, Jared Atkinson, Makenzie Beaudry, Julia Brasslett, Rebekah Fishburn-Batey, Emelia Grant, Breanna Jazowski, Caleb Ladd, Alexis London, Jacob Marsh, David McLeish, McKenzie McLeod, Hannah Poland, Mariah Poulin, Richard Ramp, Ashley Robinson and Nathaniel Skomars.

Grade 10 — High honors: Forrest Bates, Jenna Clukey, Emily Curtis, Tobias Hogfeldt, Reginald Johnston, Charlotte Jolin, Gabrielle Jolin, Harley Knowles, Avery Nelson, Shalin Storey and Jordan Thomas. **Honors:** Kathleen Bayerdorffer, Austin Bickmore, Jordan Campbell, Jinlin Chen, Yuan Gao, Maya Hagelin, Matthew Harmon, Tristan Honorowski, John Judkins, Sujeong Kim, Ryan Laffin, Shyler Lewis, Shiyun Liang, Shu Lin, Griffin Loomis, Kaiyuan Ma and Virginia Macomber.

Grade 11 — High honors: Camille Bozzelli, William Casey, Zowie Farrow, Hannah

Fishburn, Joseph Gilbert, Marie Hartung, Laura Lukacova, Andrew Miles, Chandler Rockwell, Jonathan Scott, Alexandria Scuderi, Emily Sprecher, Mikaeli Sutton, Songqui and Dingying Zhang. **Honors:** Brianna Adkins, Jillian Annis, Matthew Annis, Bernise Bartlett, Caleb Buerger, Logan Butera, Mariaisabel Cedeno, Erika Chadbourne, Henry Chase, Anya Drifill, Colby Garland, Branson Goodine, Samantha Higgins, Anton Iustupov, Dongyoung Kim, Natrice Laythe, Mason Merrill, Kaiyu Zhang and Wenduo Zhang.

Grade 12 — High honors: Callie Bates, Racquel Bozzelli, Toan Bui, Angelina Buzzelli,

Jennifer Clawson, Alexandria Desmarais, Jianyu Hao, Dylan Harmon-Weeks, Jiwoo Hong, Kai-Kuo Hsu, Gabriela Johnson, Zongxun Liu, Daryna Melikhova, Alyssa Nelson, Cooper Nelson, Renee Smith, Yun-Ting Tsai and Xu Wang. **Honors:** Antonio Ayala, Paul Birtwistle, Desirae Brawn, Brandon Brock, Zachary Caron, Avery Carroll, Madison Chadbourne, Nathaniel Church, Vanessa Crockett, Lois Day, Madison Fadley, Christopher Hobbs, Han-Yu Hsiao, Joon Kim, Sophia Kurzius, Yunzheng Luo, Elisha Machado, Rebecca Wallace, Qingfei Yu and Yunwen Zhang.

Ridge View Community

GRADE 5 — High honors: Emma Alexander, Emily Andrescu, Sydney Dyson, Sydney Fogler, Phillip Folster, Jr., Annika King, William Kusnierz, Annajayne Pitman, Alex Race and Payson Rienhardt. **Honors:** Joseph Bard, Amanda-Jo Blais, Caden Brown, Lauryn Brunner, Ava Campbell, Bryce Connor, Gianni Costonis, Jillian Dill, Zoe Dill, Jennifer Downing, Olivia Gilman, Jozlynn Haley, Kayden Kimball, Lucrechia Lyman, Hailee McCourt, Alexander Morris, Dylan Phillips, Jillian Poliquin, Brady Reynolds, Aleaha Richards, Kimberly Rideout, Caleb Schobel, Trevor Speed, Zachary Spizuoco,

Cadence Tasker, Kelsey Taylor, Emmaline Thereau, Aaron Woodard and Bryleigh Woodard.

GRADE 6 — High honors: Clyde Day, Elizabeth Kinney, Amelia Rolfe, Ora Rudloff-Eastman and Nathan Schobel. **Honors:** Cameron Allen, Aliviah Anderson, Kiana Bennett, Molly Bennett, Owen Brown, Dakota Burns, Riley Campbell, Caitlyn Chabot, Patrick Childers, Charles Emerson, Avery Gagnon, Payton Gilman, LaKota Glidden, Caroline Gould, Keith Grant,

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Dexter Regional H.S.

GRADE 9 — Honors: Isabella Adam, Elise Beaudry, Chase Dyer, Autumn Irwin, David Kirshkalm, Shannon O'Roak, Christopher Roderka, Aino Rudloff-Eastman and Hunter Speed.

GRADE 10 — High honors: Emily Albair, Dillion Allen, Ethan Boutlier, Brody Bussell, Ashley Downing, Yike Gao, Kaylee Harris, Mark Kilmier, Amber Knowlton, Abigail Paige, Janette Patterson, Jayna Robinson, Matthew Sickles, Morgan Smith, Tory Stone and Elyce Wigham. **Honors:**

Kelli Bache, Rebecca Batron, Adriana Bryant, Andrew Carlow, Mathison Deering, Aubrey Godin, Brayden Greaves, Matthew Manscome, Amber-Lynn Juscak, Kayla Rutledge, Kira Swimm, Starr Tasker, Matthew Watson, Kaitlyn Webber and Olivia Webber.

GRADE 11 — Highest honors: Alyssa Brasier, Caleb Cyr, Brayden Miller, Autumn Nickerson, Tiffani Ortiz, Chandler Perkins, Sidney Pratt, Ashley

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SeDoMoCha School

GRADE 5 — High honors: Logan Hinson, Ayda Holyoke, Lauren Martin, Emily McLeish, Ella Molaghan, Rachel Mullis, Carter Pratt, Anna Raynes, Rylee Speed and Adam Taylor. **Honors:** Justice Batchelder, Ivy Batey, Olivia Berce, Cody Chambers, Cameron Chase, Garret Chase, Keegan Clark, Adam Conner, Kaitlyn Cookson, Caden Crocker, Taebria Currie, Aidan Dellaire, Matthew Dourant, Craig Farmer, Skylar Gibbs, Amanda Greenlaw, Alayna Hawkes, Cadence Herrick, Jada Lewis, Kirsten Marshall,

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GRADE 6 — High honors: Jasper Makowski, Jacob Reed and Austin Seavey. **Honors:** Isaiah Arno, Marshall Burt, Grace Carlson, Aine Casey, Bodie Clarke, Alexis Cole,

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Penquis Valley Schools

GRADE 6 — Honors: Grady Atkinson, Angela Bryden, Bethany Clements, Eira Johnson, Hope Lovell, Alisha Reed, Alvin Robshaw and Rayne VanNorden.

GRADE 7 — High Honors: Miranda Leclair. **Honors:** Ainsley Ade, Joslyn Black, Savannah Boislard, Lauren Bolstridge, Destiny Golden, Salena Goodine, May Horton, Izaak Krause, Hannah McKissick, Zakary Mills, Stephen Newman, Angelina Roberts and Courtney Rouleau.

GRADE 8 — High honors: Tegan Johnson. **Honors:** Camron Bailey, Rosa Cianci, Sydney Fowles, Emily Herbest, Rachel McMannus and Kaden Stalter.

GRADE 9 — High honors: Katelyn Bolstridge and Camryn Rolfe. **Honors:** Katilyn Black, Jeremy Martin, Leah McKissick, Faith Sickler and Faith Spencer.

GRADE 10 — Honors: Olivia Castellano, Samantha Gibson,

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GOLF FORE HOSPICE — Ethan Annis gets ready for this year's Golf Open, to benefit Pine Tree Hospice and being co-hosted by Mayo Regional Hospital on June 11 at the Foxcroft Golf Club.

Mayo Regional Hospital and Pine Tree Hospice pair up 2016 Golf Open on Saturday

DOVER-FOXCROFT — rain date is June 18 and there will be an 8 a.m. and a 1 p.m. shotgun start. The registration fee includes a delicious lunch included. Prizes this year include Preservation Passes which entitle the winning team to 18 holes including cart at any one of the following clubs: Sunday River Golf Club, Old Marsh Country Club, Penobscot Valley Country Club or Bath Golf Club. Additional prizes are passes to Mt. Kineo Golf Course or Mingo Springs Golf Course. Call Foxcroft the Golf Club at 564-8887 to pre-register. For more information call Pine Tree Hospice at 564-4346 or email wecare@pinetreehospice.org.

Heal Point standings through May 9. Table listing Class B North baseball, Class C North baseball, Class D South baseball, Class B North softball, Class C North softball, Class D South softball, Class B North boys tennis, Class C North boys tennis, and Class D South softball with scores and playoff information.

Orono junior waves 'magic wand'

By Ernie Clark Staff Writer

DEXTER — Jackson Coutts' baseball bat often affects opposing teams like a magic wand whether he's swinging it or not. The Orono High School standout entered last Wednesday's Class C North matchup against Dexter batting .460 this spring despite being issued 10 intentional walks in his team's first six games — a frequency that had prompted coach Tim Bush to move Coutts into the leadoff spot in the batting order. But no worries about all the free passes, said the junior catcher. "No, because I'm still playing baseball and that's what I love to do," said Coutts. "It's all fun."

the Red Riots to a 7-1 victory at Ted Clark Baseball Park. "I like him batting first because they've got to pitch to him," said Orono senior right-hander Dennis Farnham, who pitched a two-hitter. "I don't know of too many coaches who are going to walk him right off in that first at-bat." Orono has gone 4-1 since Coutts was moved to the top of the order. And even Coutts' lone plate appearance without a hit ignited a three-run rally in the top of the third to more than negate an unearned run by Dexter in the bottom of the second. Coutts drew a one-out walk on four straight outside pitches from Dexter right-hander Brayden Miller, and that emphasis on working away from the strike zone proved difficult to turn around immediately. Evan Kenefic then was hit by a 2-1 pitch, and after the control lapse increased to

eight balls in nine pitches, Dexter coach Chad Graffam visited the mound. Nate DeSisto pulled Miller's next delivery into right field to plate Coutts with the tying run. Kenefic scored on a mis-handled pickoff throw before Farnham followed with a sacrifice fly to make it 3-1. "It's always tough for a pitcher mentally when you do walk that leadoff batter," said Bush. "There's that stigma that goes around that says if you walk the leadoff guy it's always going to end up as a run, and it's usually fulfilled in high school." That was plenty of offensive support for Farnham, who overcame five Orono errors by striking out nine, walking one and hitting a batter during a 9-3-pitch performance. The lone hits for 3-3 Dexter were a first-inning single by Cameron Pratt and a sixth-inning single by Zach White. ("Farnham) hit his spots with his fastball and he was

dropping his curveball in for strikes or making kids chase it," said Coutts. "All his stuff was on today." Orono added an unearned run in the fifth off Miller, who threw a six-hitter, thanks to a heads-up baserunning play by Coutts. The left-handed batter singled to center to start the inning, stole second and advanced when he noticed that base uncovered after third baseman Pratt ranged over behind the pitcher's mound to flag down Kenefic's pop-up. Coutts scored on an infield error to make it 4-1. The Red Riots added their final runs an inning later. Schuyler Cyr and Connor Robertson drew back-to-back, one-out walks before Connor McCluskey hit a sacrifice fly to left field and Coutts crushed a 1-0 fastball well over the fence in right-center for his first home run of the season.

Fisheries for Families Day Saturday, May 21

GREENVILLE — The Piscataquis County Soil and Water Conservation District (PCSWCD), the Natural Resource Education Center (NREC) and the Maine Inland Fisheries and Wildlife (IF&W) are teaming up to present a "Fisheries for Families Day" at the Greenville Junction Wharf on Saturday, May 21 from 9 a.m. to noon. This event is a fun way for folks to learn more about local fisheries, including information about the fish species

that live there, how these fisheries are maintained, the management practices that are in place to protect the fishery, and much more. Additionally, everyone will get an up-close-and-personal look at the salmon that are stocked in Moosehead Lake, as they will be helping to stock the salmon. In addition to enjoying a morning out on the shores of Moosehead Lake, folks who join will get a chance to learn from Tim Obrey, regional fisheries biologist with the Maine

IF&W and Gene Arsenaault, fish culture supervisor at Ela Fish Rearing Station in Embden. Obrey and Arsenaault will discuss everything involved in maintaining and improving the Moosehead Lake fishery, from the work done at the hatchery to the ecology of the lake. After these dynamic presentations, participants are welcome to drop a line and fish. The PCSWCD will have a tackle exchange station set up through the loon and lead tackle exchange program,

where folks can swap their lead tackle for lead-free tackle that is safe for loons and other waterfowl. The PCSWCD will also have a handful of fishing poles available for folks to use on a first-come, first-serve basis. All are welcome, please RSVP to the PCSWCD at 564-2321 ext. 3 or info@piscataquisswd.org or filling out the registration form at www.piscataquisswd.org/eventsprograms/.

Benevolence

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Conference, a mammoth geographic entity spanning six of Maine's 16 counties that stretches from Greenville in the west to Calais in the east, from Fort Kent in the north to Searsport in the south. Thirty-three schools make up the PVC, including local entries Greenville, Foxcroft Academy, Piscataquis of Guilford, Penquis Valley of Milo, Central of Corinth and Dexter. Most if not all of the schools have a benevolent side that complements their competitive side — a different sort of teamwork. PVC President Brian Gaw, athletic administrator and a teacher-coach at SAD 4 in Guilford, recently solicited information from member schools regarding their charitable fundraising efforts during the current school year. "I told them even if your school only raised a hundred bucks let me know," he said, "because somebody I guarantee you was very appreciative for a hundred dollars." While not all schools responded to his request Gaw said "a very good percentage" did, and those efforts alone totaled the significant amount of \$36,876 that was donated to local, state and national charitable organizations. "Not that anyone is looking

for their name in the paper or prizes or awards or recognition," he said. "I genuinely think people do this because it's the right thing to do. It's a feel-good thing and you know at the end of the day that you've helped somebody in a tangible way." Groups receiving funds raised by PVC student-athletes, coaches and schools include the Aliza Jean Family Cancer Foundation, All In For Addie, American Cancer Society, Bangor Area Homeless Shelter, Beth C. Wright Cancer Resource Center, Penneys for Patients, Relay for Life, Sarah's House of Maine, Spruce Run-Womancare Alliance, and the Susan G. Komen foundation. "I think this just highlights how powerful sports can be outside of a court or a field," said Gaw. "This is just one more thing that's not an athletic achievement but shows that athletes can have a lot of power to influence and help a lot of people they don't even know." Gaw's school has conducted a "Fill the Gym Night" each of the last three basketball seasons to raise funds for the Aliza Jean Family Foundation, which helps area families deal with childhood cancer and is named for the late daughter of a staff member at Piscataquis Community Secondary School.

Twice Piscataquis Community Secondary School has staged the event in conjunction with Dexter Regional High School, where Aliza Stutzman planned to attend and play basketball after concluding middle school before she died in 2013 after an eight-month battle with brain cancer. Fifty percent of gate receipts, revenue from concessions, a 50-50 raffle and other donations all were contributed to that effort, with players from both teams wearing commemorative wristbands or special T-shirts and having pictures taken together before the game. "It's not a hard sell for anybody, it's one of the easiest sells I have as a coach and an athletic director," said Gaw of that event. "The kids want to be part of the whole and not just a piece of it." "Once the ball goes up it's obviously two teams playing ball but before and after they're really united. Any animosity there is goes away because they all want to be involved." That also was true of more than 20 of the PVC's basketball coaches in March when they converged on PCSS for the league's second annual Coaches vs. Cancer benefit game. Coaches from as far away as Lee, Millinocket and Blue Hill

took part in the event, which raised more than \$5,000. That total included \$940 raised by the Foxcroft Academy girls basketball program during the season in conjunction with Cancer Awareness Week. The Aliza Jean Family Foundation was this year's recipient. Proceeds from the inaugural game in 2015 went to the family of Zak Mills, a middle-schooler from LaGrange and the son of Penquis boys varsity coach Jason Mills who successfully battled bone cancer throughout 2015. The Penobscot Valley Conference is not alone among high school leagues in Maine whose student-athletes and coaches participate in myriad charitable activities. But certainly it is one of the lesser-known aspects of their involvement with their teams — and perhaps also one of the more important in the overall education of the participants. "We do a pretty good job of recognizing athletic accomplishment in sports," said Gaw. "Their names get in the paper, they get plaques and certificates and all-star recognition at the end of the season for athletic achievement and yes, we do have some scholar-athlete awards. "But outside of that there are a lot of things being done to help others, too."

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Roundup

Continued from Page 7. Dexter boys tennis lost at Sumner 3-2. William Strauch and Chandler Perkins both had 8-4 singles wins. Foxcroft boys tennis won at Presque Isle 3-2.

PCHS boys tennis lost at Penobscot 3-2. Jason Willard won 8-3 in singles and Zach Wilson and Eben Cooley had an 8-3 victory. Dexter girls tennis lost at Sumner 4-1. Ashley Reynolds and Kirsten Swimm won in doubles 8-3.

Foxcroft girls tennis lost at Presque Isle 3-2. Alice Russo picked up an 8-5 victory as did Emily Curtis and Amelia Grant in doubles at 9-7. PCHS girls tennis won at Penobscot 3-2. Sweeping in singles were Lucinda Wingert 8-6, Alanna Whitney 8-4 and Miriah Chapman 8-3.

NOTICE OF CONCURRENCE TO CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION NOTICE TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS

The United States Department of Agriculture — Rural Development has issued a categorical exclusion that the State of Maine, Department of Environmental Protection, has concurred with in compliance with Section C of "The State of Maine Revolving Loan Fund Rules Chapter 595", on behalf of the Town of Brownville to exempt a proposed action from the substantive environmental review requirements. The proposed project entails the construction of treatment works upgrades in the Town of Brownville and Brownville Junction. The work includes, but is not limited to, the installation of a sewer main river crossing, various pumping station equipment upgrades, and various treatment plant equipment upgrades. A review of the proposed action by the DEP has indicated that it meets the criteria for a Categorical Exclusion. Specifically, the proposed action is directed solely toward the minor upgrading and minor expansion of existing facilities. This concurrence to the exclusion may be revoked at any time if any of the criteria used for its issuance are violated. Further records in regard to the project are on file and are available for public review at the Town of Brownville Office, 82 Main Street, Brownville, Maine, the Town of Brownville website at www.brownfieldmaine.org, and the offices of the Department of Environmental Protection, 25 Tyson Drive, Augusta, Maine. Comments relative to this decision may be submitted to the town or DEP within fifteen days.

Real Estate Foreclosure Auction 16-143 Pursuant to 14 M.R.S.A. § 6323 Cape Style Home ~ .47+/- Acre 8 Center St., Guilford, Maine Thursday, June 9, 2016 at 9:30AM. Notice is hereby given that in accordance with an Order Judgment of Foreclosure And Sale dated December 28, 2015 which judgment was entered by the Superior Court, for Piscataquis County, in the case of Maine State Housing Authority v. Kelley S. Oliver, et al., Docket No. RE-15-11, and wherein the Court adjudged a foreclosure of a mortgage deed dated December 27, 2005 and recorded in the Piscataquis County Registry of Deeds in Book 1714 Page 114, the period of redemption from said judgment having expired, a public sale of the property located 8 Center St., Guilford, Maine will be conducted on June 9, 2016, commencing at 9:30 a.m. Further reference should be had to said mortgage deed for a more complete legal description of the property to be conveyed. Real Estate: Consists of .47+/- acre lot improved with a cape style home containing a kitchen, living room, (3) bedrooms, (1) bath, and a large deck. Reference Guilford Tax Map 15, Lot 88. Preview: Friday, May 27, 2016 from 8-8:30AM Terms: A \$2,500 deposit (nonrefundable as to highest bidder) in CASH or CERTIFIED U.S. FUNDS, made payable to the Keenan Auction Co. (deposited with the Auctioneer as a qualification to bid), increased to 10% of the purchase price day of sale in cash or personal check, with balance due and payable within 30 days from date of auction. The property will be sold by public auction subject to all outstanding municipal assessments. Conveyance of the properties will be by release deed. All other terms will be announced at the public sale. Keenan Auction Company 1 Runway Rd. So. Portland, ME 04106 207-885-5100 info@keenanauktion.com For a Property Information Package visit KeenanAuction.com or call (207) 885-5100 & request by auction #16-143, Richard J. Keenan #236, Our 44th Year & 7,335th Auction.

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Monson Public Library receives \$1,000 grant

MONSON — The Monson Public Library recently received a \$1,000 grant from the Rose and Samuel Rudman Library Trust. The funding will go toward creating a Maine collection within the library of books written and/or illustrated by Maine authors, as well as non-fiction and biographical titles that the patrons will have access to.

The collection will contain books for all ages; children, juvenile, young adult and adult. Sarah Wentworth, who serves as secretary on the library's board of trustees, wrote and submitted the grant after seeing the need for this particular project. She worked with library consultant

Jeannie Tabor on answering some of the grant's questions and they will soon begin the ordering process for the books within this collection.

The two felt that the Monson Public Library should bring attention to the Maine authors and illustrators whose books have been published throughout the years, as well as showcasing non-fiction books about the state and biographical books on famous Mainers. Wentworth and Tabor feel that it is important for a town library to have a strong collection of books represented by state authors, illustrators and subject matter for patrons of all ages.



Photo courtesy of Monson Public Library
LIBRARY GRANT — Jeannie Tabor, left, and Sarah Wentworth hold the \$1,000 check for the Monson Public Library to create a Maine collection for all ages. The funds were given through a grant from the Rose and Samuel Rudman Library Trust.

'Hansel and Gretel' at Center Theatre

DOVER-FOXCROFT — Thanks to the generosity of a local benefactor, the Center Theatre is hosting a magical performance of "Hansel and Gretel" at 2 p.m. on Saturday, May 14, with entry by donation. Tanglewood Marionettes' production of "Hansel and Gretel" is based on the classic fairytale by the Brothers Grimm, and features melodies from the Humperdinck opera.

The 45-minute show is geared toward children in kindergarten through grade 6, but everyone young or young at heart is invited to attend. The story is set in the mid-19th century. The colorful set is in the shape of a giant storybook. As the pages turn, each new and exciting scene is revealed. As the tale unfolds, Hansel and Gretel must call upon their inner reserves and learn new methods to over-

come the challenges they encounter while lost in the wood.

The four individuals who comprise Tanglewood Marionettes are artists, performers and technicians, but most of all, they think of themselves as storytellers with a mission to "connect with our audiences by telling a rollicking good tale."

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GFWC/Miosac Club news

The program committee Anne Cress, Brenda Quiet and Rheba Michaud provided members with soup and sandwiches for the recent spring fling meeting. Following the meal, President Vicki Moschella called the meeting to order. She thanked the hostesses and welcomed members.

Brenda Quiet led the Club Collect, American's Creed and Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was taken with 13 members present. Secretary and treasurer's reports were read. A thank you from the Boy Scouts was read.

Anne Cress announced that

Betty Richardson was the lucky winner of the Sebec Lake Ice Out Contest with a perfect guess of April 18 4:15 p.m. Richardson will receive a check for \$100. Dennis Hersey was the judge and noted that he actually saw the ice go out.

Pat Jones reported on the tree to be purchased in honor of General Federation of Women's Club 125th anniversary. The Hydranga tree will be planted at the Marion Doore Memorial Park with a plaque noting the anniversary. The town has offered to plant another tree as well. The tree will be dedicated May 18 prior

to the 80th birthday dinner.

Advisory Chairman Suzanne Raymond passed a paper for members to sign up for programs, hostess and co-hostess for the new program. Jones resigned from the advisory committee and Minnie McCormick volunteered to serve another year.

At the last meeting, members suggested several community projects to donate to. A ballot was prepared and members voted for their four top choices. Winners were the food cupboard, heating assistance, PRYMCA scholarships and farm share — each pro-

Nutrition Program

Wednesday, May 11 — Salisbury steak with onion gravy, spinach mashed potatoes, green beans and baby carrots, wheat bread and dessert.

Thursday, May 12 — Pork with apple onion sauce, cranberry and lentil rice, Caribbean blend vegetables, wheat bread and dessert.

Friday, May 13 — Orange glazed chicken, fried rice, peas and baby carrots, wheat bread and dessert.

Monday, May 16 — Honey mustard chicken, herb roasted potatoes, baby peas, wheat bread and dessert.

Tuesday, May 17 — Meatloaf

with mushroom sauce, mashed potatoes, corn, wheat bread and dessert.

Wednesday, May 18 — Baked white fish, Florentine stuffing, long green beans, wheat bread and dessert.

Eastern Area Agency on Aging's nutrition program delivers noontime meals through Meals on Wheels to those who qualify and serves at Community Cafes where all are welcome. Cost is \$4 (under age 60). Suggested donation of \$4 for seniors age 60 and older. Additional donations are greatly appreciated. For a reservation or more information, call 943-2488 or (800) 432-7812.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Thursday, May 12
DOVER-FOXCROFT: The Thompson Free Library hosts "The Ever Changing World of Financial Services" from 12:30-1:30 p.m. as part of the Brown Bag Lunch Series. FMI call 564-3350.

DOVER-FOXCROFT: A free session of the Essentials of College Planning will be offered at PHEC at 1 p.m. To register call 1-800-281-3703 or go to <http://meoc.maine.edu>.

DOVER-FOXCROFT: The Wassebec Genealogy Society meets at 6:30 p.m. in the Sebec Room at Mayo Regional Hospital.

MILO: The grand opening of the Harrigan Learning Center and Museum at the Three Rivers Kiwanis complex takes place from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. FMI call 943-3677.

ST. ALBANS: The Widows and Widowers Group meets at the Sunrise Restaurant at 11:30

a.m. FMI call 924-5351.

Friday, May 13
GARLAND: The Garland Grange serves a bean and pasta supper from 5-7 p.m., with a family contra dance to follow at 7 p.m. FMI call 924-6954.

MILO: A Thriving in Place, providing information on helping seniors stay in their homes safely, presentation starts at 1 p.m. at the Pleasant Park Community Building. FMI call 694-4043.

Saturday, May 14
DOVER-FOXCROFT: The Piscataquis County Democratic Committee meets at the Morton Avenue Municipal Building from 10 a.m.-noon with a campaign volunteer potluck and training from noon-3 p.m. FMI call 564-0139.

DOVER-FOXCROFT: Tanglewood Marionettes present "Hansel and Gretel" at 2 p.m. at the Center Theatre. FMI call 564-8943.

DOVER-FOXCROFT: The Dover-Foxcroft United Methodist Church hosts "How the West was Sung" with Lew Dow and the YesterYear Music Makers at 7 p.m. FMI call 876-8013.

MILO: A Three Rivers Kiwanis cribbage tournament starts at 1 p.m. FMI call 943-3677.

MILO: American Legion Post 41 serves a baked bean and pulled pork supper from 4:30-6:30 p.m., with takeout and home delivery available through any member.

RIPLEY: The Ripley UMC Fiddlehead Festival begins at 5 p.m.

Sunday, May 15
DOVER-FOXCROFT: His Light For Haiti hosts a fundraising screening of the family-friendly movie "Miracles From Heaven" at 2 p.m. at the Center Theatre, benefitting a June trip to Haiti to drill a well and host medical clinics. FMI go to <http://hislightforhaiti.weebly.com/>.

Friday, May 20
GREENVILLE: The Moosehead Chamber hosts a hands-only CPR and AED training from 4-6 p.m. at the town office. Register by May 17 at 695-2702 or info@mooseheadlake.org.

GUILFORD: The Valley Grange Community Night, featuring the presentation of the Community Citizen of the Year

Grants awarded for Greenville and Sangerville businesses

AUGUSTA — The Maine Department of Economic and Community Development (DECD) has announced that seven towns have been awarded funding under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program administered by the Office of Community Development within DECD. The latest round includes funding from the Micro-Enterprise Assistance (MEA) grant program.

The recipients include \$100,000 to Greenville for assistance to two businesses. Maine Mountain Soap and Candle to replace computer, point of sale system for tracking inventory, new signage as well as Porter's Garage to replace three garage bay doors, windows, retrofit office area for customer service.

A grant of \$50,000 was awarded to Sangerville for assistance to Martin Cleaning Service for the purchase of reconditioned propane buffer and auto scrubber,

commercial van with equipment racks and pullout loading ramp.

"These awards have a direct impact on the economic stability and sustainability of Maine's small businesses," said DECD Commissioner George Gervais. "The investments made in these communities not only benefit the individual businesses, it also helps create new career opportunities for Maine people. The grants represent the LePage administration's commitment to becoming better partners with the private sector, leveraging new private investment to achieve greater prosperity across Maine."

The MEA grant program provides grant funds to communities to assist in innovative solutions to problems faced by micro-enterprise businesses. Assistance to businesses may be in the form of grants or loans at the discretion of the community, including a match from the benefiting business.

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Genealogy meeting Thursday

DOVER-FOXCROFT — The Wassebec Genealogy Society meets on Thursday, May 12 in the Sebec Room at Mayo Regional Hospital from 6:30-8 p.m.

At the meeting attendees will be telling about the treasures they have found and how they found them. Genealogy is not all brick walls and smooth sailing sometimes gems are found and are worth telling about. Refreshment will be served.

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The board gave its approval to the construction management concept, which will be the subject of the June 8 meeting. The board's capital improvement committee has been meeting to look at the long-term future for the district facilities, with the concept of pre-kindergarten through grade 12 all being housed at the Penquis Valley campus being examined.

"This is what we put together and we need to let the public speak, and we will see what they say and react to that," Herbest said.

The plan was approved via a vote of 7-2 with Atkinson directors Andy and Sara Torbett being the "no" votes. When asked, Andy Torbett said he was voting as he believed was in the best for Atkinson as the community's officials are considering the town's own options for the future.

Board member Leon Farrar Jr. said after a recent discussion he had several thoughts pertaining to the construction management concept. He wondered what the SAD 41-area's economy might look like in 20 years if the current industries depart and nothing is done to the schools, and conversely Farrar pondered what the area might look like in several decades if the construction plan goes through.

In other business, the school board approved a school lunch program guaranteeing a free meal to all students in the next school year. "It's a big step forward for our district, I think we all want our students to be able to eat," Herbest said.

The directors had previously discussed a federal Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) enabling qualifying school districts to serve free meals to all students — avoiding the possible stigma attached to a free or reduced program.

SAD 41's AOS 43 partner district in the Howland-area implemented a CEP program last year. School units can qualify if at least 40 percent of students would be directly CEP certified, based on factors including families qualifying for food stamps, being homeless, in the foster system

or having migrant status.

Several days after the meeting Wright said he wants the public to know that with the adoption of the free lunch program next year in SAD 41, the district will still be pursuing past overdue bills. He said even though SAD 41 will be moving forward with the new program, bills are still being collected and are not forgiven.

A personnel move was made during the meeting of the school board with Milo Elementary Principal Julie Royal leaving the position at the end of the school year to become the AOS 43 reading recovery leader.

Shorey said Royal stepped up and filled the principal's position for this current school year when the vacancy was created, as Wright asked Royal if she would move from Brownville Elementary to Milo.

In her report, Royal said she received a call from Tradewinds Marketplace to inform her that Milo Elementary had the most entries turned in for a box top competition. Royal said Milo Elementary will receive \$1,000 for winning the competition, which will be used for the purchase of school supplies.

On the day before vacation, the entire Penquis Valley student body headed out into the community for the inaugural Day of Service. "It was an awesome day," Principal Jeremy Bousquet said. "The kids couldn't have behaved better or represented the school better."

Bousquet said the pupils performed tasks such as raking, picking up litter and painting at eight different sites in Milo and Brownville. "We paired the sixth grade class with the senior class for some mentorship throughout the day," he said.

Bousquet said one student summed up the Day of Service with "It makes me feel good because I'm giving back to the environment and humankind."

The principal said the day's participants enjoyed serving "and I think they really respected that freedom and being adults about it. We have been riding that positive up through today."

Library Club art show winners

DEXTER — The GFWC/Dexter Women's Literary Club recently sponsored its annual Dexter Regional High School Art Show at the Abbott Memorial Library. Artwork was on display at the library from March 29 to April 8.

The works of art was judged by Nancy Lappert, Arlene Goldstein, Dolores Curtis and Terri Palin. The winners are Jade Harvey, first place; Arielle Carlow, second; and Peyton Webber, third. Harvey's artwork won first place at the district meeting, held April 9 at Jeff's Catering in Brewer. The district contest included students' artwork from Bangor, Winterport, Newport, Pittsfield, Hartland, Dexter and Dover-Foxcroft.

Harvey's winning entry will go on to the state level to be judged May 12 at the GFWC Maine spring convention at the Marriott at Sable Oaks in South Portland.

The GFWC/Dexter Women's Literary Club would like to thank the the judges, the students who participated and give a special thanks to Dexter Regional High School art teacher Mary Lightbody, who helped organize and promote the annual art show.



Photos courtesy of GFWC/Dexter Women's Literary Club

ART SHOW WINNERS

— The winners of the GFWC/Dexter Women's Literary Club's annual Dexter Regional High School Art Show, pictured with art teacher Mary Lightbody, are, from left, second-place winner, Arielle Carlow; first-place winner, Jade Harvey; and third-place winner, Peyton Webber.



SECOND PLACE — Arielle Carlow



FIRST PLACE — Jade Harvey



THIRD PLACE — Peyton Webber