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Alexander-Crawford Historical Society
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C A L E N D A R D A T E S 1 9 8 3

Tuesday, Jan. 18: Jack Dudley will give an informal talk on Early Court Days in Washington County when we meet at 10 a.m. at the cabin. The hostess is asking everyone to bring an empty soup bowl, soup spoon and sandwich for their lunch.

Tuesday, Feb. 15: 'Winters Past Remembered' will be the theme of our 10 a.m. meeting when members search their memories for stories of earlier days when their ancestors settled the county. Plan to stay to examine many of the fine additions to our library and files. Bring your sandwich, of course.

(editor's note: Does anyone know where our Society might purchase around 30 matching soup bowls at a discount for our Winter chowder meetings?)

Tuesday, Mar. 15: This will be SHOW AND TELL MONTH! All members and potential members planning to attend are urged to bring along some artifact to show and discuss.

Tuesday, April 19: Open board and Program Meeting, subject to be announced in the next issue.

Tuesday, May 17: Our third annual COMMUNITY (evening) MEETING at the Alexander Grange Hall to which the Public is invited. County Commissioner Arnold Davis will be our speaker following our annual CHOCOLATE CAKE WALK which begins promptly at 7 p.m. Arnold's subject will be 'FOLKLORE'.

Tuesday, June 21: Open Program Meeting: time, place and subject to be announced.

Tuesday, July 19: third annual HOME COMING at Pocomoonshine Lake for members and their families beginning at 3 p.m.

Saturday, July 30: A-CHS BLUEBERRY FESTIVAL at the Crawford Church (our summer headquarters) on the Airline.

Tuesday, August 16: Program meeting and a sandwich-salad luncheon at Pocomoonshine Lake beginning at 10 a.m.

Tuesday, Sept. 20: ANNUAL MEETING at Pocomoonshine Lake. More particulars later.

Tuesday, Oct. 18: Open Board Meeting and Program at Pocomoonshine Lake, 10 a.m.

Tuesday, Nov. 15: Same as above.

December: Annual Christmas Coffee. Date to be announced

We will be scheduling several evening programs at the Crawford Church this summer to which the Public will be invited; also in the planning stage are MULTI CRAFT Meetings to run on Tuesdays, June 6-27. More about these later.

MEMBERSHIPS NOW DUE

Our A-CNS Family now numbers 371, that is if everyone renews their memberships in 1983.

A regular membership remains at \$1.00 a year; a supporting membership is any amount over that dollar. (Six 20¢ stamps are also required to mail your 12-page bi-monthly newsletters to your address.)



Your Society wishes

to thank the following

Supporting Members for their 1983 contributions: Phyllis Perkins Archer, Dr. Albert W. Bailey, Donna Daughman, Ellwood & Marjorie Brown, Pearl Brown, Rae Cline-Smith, Florence Daly, V. Bradford Dawson, Norton Reins Davis, Lloyd Davis, Vesta Varnum Duff, Hazel Dwyer, Neal & Ruth Dwyer, Hilda Edgerly, Frank & Ruby Henderson, Harold & Ellen Fentason, Donald & Joan Frost, Frank Frost, Pliney Frost, Lewis M. Hadison, Lela Flood Hatten, Edith Hatfield, Mary Hatfield, Susan Dudley Kertz, Mrs. Keith Howe, Grace Jaffray, Kalina Lowe, Don & Mina Phinney, Vinal & Ellen Perkins, Evelyn Pottle, Harley C. Puth, Envia & Viola Roberts, Rachel Saunders, Winifred Shee, Valma Davis Voss, Catharine Walters, Lloyd & Ellen Walls, Bessie Wheaton and Millie Stanhope Winchlea.

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Happy 158th Birthday, Alexander

ALEXANDER was incorporated as a town on January 19, 1825. The following essay, written by Ruth C. Threlley of Pleasant Lake, was published in the Calais Advertiser on Aug. 1976. We think it is worthy of reprinting...editor.

The Town of Alexander was settled about the year 1810, and organized in 1825. Coolidge and Mansfield in their History of New England name the early settlers as being Solomon Perkins, Caleb Pike, George Hill, Annanah Bohanon, William B. Crockett, Paul Morse, Samuel Cottel and Cyrus Young. The early settlers came principally from Massachusetts and New Hampshire.

Titles to their lands were obtained from Col. John Black, an English agent of the Bingham Land. Col. Black came to this country as aide to Gen. David Cobb of Gouldsbrough. When Cobb resigned as agent for the Bingham estate, Black succeeded him and remained in this position until 1850.

The town is reported as having received its name in honor of Alexander Baring, a son-in-law of William Bingham. He was made Lord Ashburton about this time, and it was he who as British Ambassador together with the American Secretary of State, Daniel Webster, settled our northeastern boundary.

Alexander is situated nearly midway of the eastern part of Washington County; Baileyville and Baring on its east boundary, Crawford on the west, Princeton on the north, Cooper and Meddybemps on the south.

Nearest seaport is Calais, 14 miles eastward; next Machias, 30 miles on the south. Nearest railroad in Baring approximately 10 miles away. Principal stream is the Wapskanegan. Bodies of water are Lake Beautiful (now called 'Pleasant') located in the western part of town; Barrows Lake on the southwestern corner; Shining Lake (now called 'Pocomoonshine') on the northern, and Meddybemps Lake on the eastern border.

'Lake Beautiful' has an area of approximately 500 acres and furnished water power for a saw and shingle mill for about six months of the year.

The only church edifice was of the Methodist denomination. Agriculture was the almost exclusive endeavor of its inhabitants, with the principal crop for export being hay.

Two villages existed in town: Lanesbrook and Alexander. There were five public school houses, which with other school property was valued at \$15,000.

Population in 1870 was 456. In 1880, 439.

Alexander like other towns has accepted the challenge of change. New homes are being built as many people have left the city to find peace and happiness in the country way of life. Modern transportation has made it possible for folks to live in the country and enjoy the privileges of the city. Camps have been built around the various lakes making this a vacation land for many people each summer. Pleasant Lake camping area has offered a rest area and a place of vacation to hundreds of tourists.

The town has one village store, a fire department, Grange Hall and several motels. All in all, it's a great place to live.

Winter and Spring, by Lyman Williams, Alexander

*The twinkle of the snowflake
 Upon the frostie ground
 Soon form a white covering
 Of beauty all around.*

*Soon the laughing stream
 Will be singing a melody of it's own,
 And the birds in the tree tops,
 Like a "King upon his throne."*

Bob McArthur, Mason, Blacksmith, Carpenter, Cook, etc.

Robert H. McArthur was one of the oldest residents of Alexander when he died on October 6, in his 89th year. He was born on Prince Edward Island, B., December 15, 1860, the son of Hugh MacArthur and Susan Diamond MacArthur.

He came to the United States when 17 years old. He went by boat to St. John, stayed overnight and sailed the next day to Eastport where he hitchhiked to Calais. He put up overnight in a building which later became the Calais Advertiser office.

Next day he and Jim McCannel, who had accompanied him on the trip, hiked to Grand Lake Stream where they hired with E. Shaw and Bros. Tanning Co. where he worked for some time. Later he hired in Milltown, Me. when the cotton mill was being built. He was brakeman on a train awhile which carried raw material for building purposes.

After this he went to Alexander and started to do haying with Elisha Perkins and there he married Miss Gertrude Perkins, December 4, 1883, and lived in Alexander all his married life.

He was a mason, a blacksmith, a taxidermist and carpenter. He was also a great cook in the lumber camps and river drives for many years in succession.

His wife passed away April 24, 1938 and for the last few years he made his home with his daughter and her husband, Mr. & Mrs. Ned Averill in Milltown.

He left five sons and five daughters: Fay, Ralph and Neil of Alexander; Allard and Dan of Princeton; Mrs. Norman Aurelius (Ella) of Woodland; Mrs. Ned Averill (Blanch); Mrs. Mel Hunniwell (Nettie) of Alexander; Mrs. Abram MacArthur (Grace) of Grand Lake Stream, and Mrs. Byron McLellan (Lettie), Princeton; one brother Natt MacArthur of Amherst N.S.; 39 grandchildren, 48 great grandchildren and one great, great granddaughter.

Rev. Campbell Carmichel, Woodland, officiated at the funeral in the Alexander Methodist Church. Bearers were six of his grandsons: Lawrence, Ben and Elbridge McArthur, Alexander; Robert Hunnewell, Princeton; Ernest McLellan, Woodland, and Fletcher Averill, Milltown. He was buried in the family lot in Alexander.

Our Memberships Increases

We warmly welcome the following new members who have joined since the mailing of our Nov/Dec news L.:

Mr. Clinesmith, Gardnerville, Nev.
Mrs. Margaret Cole, Jacksonville
Mr. Oscar Currier, Rock Springs, Wyo.
Lloyd Davis, North Monmouth
William J. Emery, Fairfield
William Garrison, Newburgh, N.Y.
Mr. Keith Howe, Rocky Point, N.Y.
Grace Keen, Calais
Lela McKelne, Grand Lake Stream
Maise Moore, Grand Lake Stream
Elizabeth Prout, Calais
Lillian & Viola Roberts, South Portland
Betty Russell, Bangor
Mrs. St. Denis, Cooper
Charles Smith, Jr., Orono
Mrs. Leola Higgins Thompson and
Lillian Van Orden, both Klamath Falls, Ore.
Lela & Tammy Wells, Alexander
Mrs. Verna Murphy, Brewer

A Nice Surprise!

The following handwritten note was found pinned to the bulletin board at the Crawford Church (our summer headquarters) last November when Jack Dudley put the greens in the window boxes, and Christmas wreath on the door. The reference to Joey Wallace and Lisa Clark concerned the little 'Alexander Village' they had constructed. It is on exhibit in the church.

"What an interesting old building - love your wall covering - thank you for leaving the door unlocked. Joey & Lisa's fine project was very much enjoyed. Maine is beautiful!"

Keith & Vi Anderson dated:
E. 84 6 Knox Ave. Oct. 3, 1982
Spokane, Washington 99206

MEET THE MCARTHUR FAMILY
(photo loaned by Ethel Wallace, granddaughter)



Front row (left to right) Neil, Lydia Gertrude (Perkins) McArthur and Grace; Robert McArthur holding Lettie, and Allard.
Back row: Nettie, Blanche, Ella, Ralph (Ethel's dad), Fay and Daniel. (Missing is the oldest child, Seth, who died before a family portrait was taken.)
Neil and Lettie are still living.

About 1900 the McArthur family lived on the westerly side of Pocomoonshine Lake Road, down on the northerly line of the property now owned by Pennington. In 1900 Robert McArthur bought the 'Sussie' house which was located where Fred and Mae Stevenson now live. McArthur moved this house down to the present location of the Campbell trailers. He rebuilt his home (probably adding the attractive shingles) and moved his family there in 1902.

MELVIN LEON HUNNEWELL

by Pliney Frost

Mel, as he was called by all who knew him, was born at Alexander, Maine, October 6, 1891 the eleventh child in a family of thirteen children born to Charles Sidney Hunnewell and Lydia Jane Keene.

As a young man he purchased the Seamen's place on the So. Princeton road and lived there several years. Following his brother Orren's removal to a farm in that section of the town known as the 'Flat', he returned to the Hunnewell homestead and there he was to spend the remainder of his life.

Mel was a farmer and lumberman all of his life. He engaged in the raising of potatoes and blueberries. In his lumbering operations he was a contractor cutting Pulpwood, Birch bolts and long logs. Along with his woods operations was his local trucking activities with his son Robert.

For many years he was Town Road Commissioner beginning in the late 1920s as well as a Foreman on State Aid roads for the State Highway Comm. several years on a seasonal basis.

He was a member of the Methodist Church of Calais, an honorary Charter member of the Alexander-Crawford Historical Society, and a former member of the Alexander Grange.

Twice married, his first wife was Ella Mae McArthur, daughter of Robert H. and L. Gertrude (Perkins) McArthur. They were the parents of three children: Lila, 1909; Nettie 1912-1976; Robert H., 1914-1969. His second marriage was to Nettie McArthur, a younger sister of the first Mrs. Hunnewell. Nettie died in June 1980.

When Mel died on November 5, 1982 it marked the passing of the town's second oldest resident.

"THIS IS THE WAY I BEST REMEMBER HIM", by Jack Dudley

I have many memories of Mel Hunnewell. The one that comes to my mind most vividly is seeing Mel doing what he most loved to do, back in 1953.

Mel was a lumberman. I wanted to cut some wood over on Morrison Point. Mel was an independent contractor and I had him handle the operation. Nothing was put in writing.

I went over with Mel, showed him the lines and told him how I wanted the land cut. He started in 1952. His crew, as I remember, consisted of Harold Bohannon, Neil McArthur, Russell Strout and Hazen Strout. Mel was the boss.

They cut 260 cords of rough pulp, and 10145 m. of Pine saw logs.

Robbie Hunnewell hauled all the wood. It was across the cove. The ice was good and Mel had a road plowed from the landing on the Point over to the public landing.

I came out one day in January 1953 and walked across the ice to the Point. After I had walked up into the woods a short distance along the woods road I heard bells ring, and I stopped. In a few minutes I saw them coming. A beautiful span of horses pulling a couple of full length White Pine Logs. There was 18 inches of snow in the woods. Mel was running along beside the horses talking to them. The horses loved their work and so did Mel.

MELVIN L. HUNNEWELL

Alexander— Melvin L. Hunnewell, 91 died Nov. 5, 1982 at a Calais nursing home. He was born in Alexander, Oct. 6, 1891, the son of Charles and Lyda (Keene) Hunnewell. He was a member of the United Methodist Church of Calais. He is survived by two daughters Mrs. Lila McLellan and Mrs. Rena Kuseland, both of Princeton, one brother Floyd Hunnewell of Alexander, eight grandchildren, 22 great grandchildren, 18 great great grandchildren, several nieces and nephews. Funeral services were held at the Scott-Wilson Funeral Home, Calais Sunday with the Rev. Robert Vanasek officiating. Interment in Alexander Cemetery.

Additions to Our Library

OUR LIBRARY HOURS: The coffee pot is on between one and three o'clock (members only) at the cabin on the third Tuesday of each month. Your membership card is your Library Card. The Open Monthly Board Meetings are held on the mornings of the same days. All members and potential members are welcome to these sessions.

Librarians: Donna Baughman, Addison
Dedl Greenlaw, Alexander
Jane Dudley, assistant

1781 Books Received

A novel (in two volumes) published in 1781; and two 1866 thick, leatherbound Civil War books have been donated to our Society in the name of the late William Ayer of Charlotte, by his daughter Gladys Ayer Bridges.

The eighteenth century books, published in England, are entitled The History of the Adventures of Joseph Andrews And his Friend Mr. Abraham Adams, and were written by Henry Fielding, Esq.

A handsome oil painting of the famous editor of the old Herald Tribune accompanied the gift of Horace Greeley's The American Conflict, Conflict, a History of the Great Rebellion in the United States of America. The portrait was painted by Mrs. Bridges' talented father.

Among the other library treasures this lovely lady has given us are: thirty-six volumes which were published between 1850 and 1900 - many are classics; five early 20s cowboy books including those by Owen Wister, Charles Alden Seltzer, Holman Day and Zane Grey; and over 150 late 20s to mid 30s novels written by such authors as Faith Baldwin, Mary Roberts Rinehart, Christopher Morley, Carolyn Wells and others.

An additional gift has been some of the early nature books studied by her naturalist sister, Miss Jessie Ayer, now deceased. Jessie attended the Washington State Normal School, taught in Machias, and was a science teacher out of state for years before she returned to Charlotte where she spent the remaining years of her life. Two cases containing her collection of Washington County butterflies and moths have been given to us to pass along to the University of Maine of Machias in her name.

Other gifts from Mrs. Bridges have been tintypes, albums and an old-fashioned family register (early 1800s in Charlotte) of Enoch Fisher and his wife Mary E. Woodworth which lists six children, including Gladys' mother. There is also a large stack of old postcards of Maine and Mass., most of which were printed in Germany. These were found in an old doll's cradle where Janie Ayer, sister to Gladys and Jessie, had saved her treasures. Among Janie's papers were precious letters, not to be thrown away, and several dance cards.



Gladys Ayer, our generous member is second from the left. Can you name any of the others?

Letters from Our Members

THE MACHIAS VALLEY NEWS OBSERVER, MACHIAS, MAINE



**GARDNER'S
LAKE**
(WEST SIDE)

Alice Maker Seeley,
Fort Myers, Fla.:

"I am taking this way to wish you and friends a nice holiday. Enclosed you will find my recipe which I like so well. Hope others do too. Also check to cover my dues and newsletter mailing. I really enjoy it. I see lots of names I used to know in 4 H Club Days in the 1920s. I lived in Machias at

that time. I have cut out of the newspaper Ken Smith's recipes as they were some I used to make. Tell him when he stops writing the Gardiner Lake news I'll stop signing up for the paper as he has very interesting news and people I know." (Editor: Our A-CHS Secretary's column appears weekly in the Machias Valley News-Observer. Mrs. Seeley's Grape-Nut Cereal Breakfast Loaf recipe appears on the backpage of this issue.)

Dr. Albert W. Bailey, P.O. Box 67, Longboat Key, Florida 33548:

"Am so glad that under your guidance a renewed interest in our region there has taken place. People pop up! I keep getting orders for my book on Baileyville BUT we have no more copies except my two for references. Keepup the good work." (Dr. Bailey's book, History Early Barry, Baileyville Maine and it's Pioneers can be researched by members in our society's library. Albert Ware Bailey (b. 1896 in Worcester, Mass.) is the son of Lester V. Bailey (b. 1864 in Baileyville), and grandson of Benjamin Bailey (b. 1837 in Alexander). He is a graduate of Amherst College, Chicago Osteopathic College, and saw service in the Medical Corps overseas in the first World War. He married Rose Irene Fox (1899-1982) of Chicago in 1924. He was an Osteopathic physician and practiced 40 years in Schenectady and Pittsfield, Mass. They have two children.)

Winifred R. Shea, Bedford, Mass.: "Just a note to wish you joy at this Holiday season and happiness in the new year. The newsletters are pure delight - and your little personal notes mean so much to me. Nanny has been gone from us for a year now, and the news from her town and "her people" help to keep her close." (Mae Jeffery Ingalls, 1885-1982, was born in Crawford, and died in Mass. A Memorial Fund in her name was established by Mrs. Shea at her death to benefit our A-CHS building fund...ed.)

Rae Clinesmith, 241 Sierra Shadows Lane, Gardnerville, Nevada 89410:

"I am doing genealogy work on my family and am wondering if you might be of some help. My great grandmother was born in Alexander around 1840. Her name was Mary Eliza Gooch. Her father, John Gooch was born in Alexander on Feb. 16, 1804. On Dec. 26, 1832 he married Eliza Jane Chase. Do you have a County History that might list them? A cemetery index list? Do you have the names of anyone who might be working on these surnames? Thanking you for any help you might be able to give me."

Leola Higgins Thompson, 2417 Darrow St., Klamath Falls, Ore. 97601:
"My Maine ancestor was Eliz H. Higgins (ens) of some place in the state. He was born in 1785 according to the 1860 Jennings Co. Ind. Census. I am very anxious to take our family on back. I have other lines proven, but can't seem to connect with my maiden name."

Grace Jeffery, No Anson: Looking over your last newsletter (pg. 9, bottom right), James Jeffery's boy who lost a finger was Adelbert Jeffery, half brother to my dad Orville."

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Home of James Peter Jeffery & Urs Bailey Jeffery

This scaled pencil sketch of the Old Jeffery Homestead in Crawford on the Airlie is a gift to our Society by the artist Grace Jeffery of North Anson whose father Orville Jeffery was raised here. She is also the great, great granddaughter of Nathaniel Bailey Jr. An accomplished artist, Grace teaches oil painting, pastels and sketching in her home town. We plan to have an exhibit of her works at our summer headquarters when such can be arranged. The lovely old house in Crawford has been unoccupied for many years. Present owner is Mary Ellen Jeffery Heald of Machias.

SEEKING JEFFERY-DUNSMORE GENEALOGY: A Letter from Oregon

"You have been referred to me by one of your members who also is a newly found relative, Grace Jeffery. I am very much involved in genealogy and find much of my family history originated and still continues in Washington County. Grace mentioned your dues and newsletter and I would very much like to join your historical society. My father Lester Henry (also Henry Lester) was born in Vanceboro, so you see I have deep roots in your area of Maine. Being able to trace records back to those early days is quite a challenge. A visit would be lovely but the distance is too great at this time.

"My great grandmother was Mary Jane Jeffery Dunsmore (Dunsmore and Dunsmore - they tell me the spelling is up for grabs!) Her father was Peter Andrew Jeffery, and she had a twin brother James Peter. This goes back quite a number of years. - Mary's husband, Henry F. Dunsmore, was born in Waite, married in Alexander and died in Princeton. Their daughter Harriet was my grandmother who was also born in Waite and married Charles C. Curran there."

Ruth Curran Van Under
421 Jefferson Street
Klamath Falls, Oregon 97601

Letters from Our Members

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Charles E. Smith, Jr., Fairview Farm, M.R.A., Main Rd., Orono, Me. 04473:
 "While doing some genealogical research today at the Folger Library at the Univ. of Maine I found that several copies of your publication were on file. My great, great grandfather was Haskell, (Haskal, Haskel) Smith (1808-1899), of Cooper whose death certificate shows his mother to be Lucy Purse, and his father to be John Smith. Haskell's wife was Deborah Harrison (1813-1893) of Dennyville, whose death certificate shows her father to be James Harrison (James Joseph Waltermann Harrison 1786-1869) and her mother to be Deborah Shaw. I have traced some of Haskell's sons and daughters, and am now trying to go back. I believe he had a brother Frances Warren Smith, and a sister Rhoda Palmetter, but I have no proof. Perhaps you have a member who can help me. If any of the information I have found will be of any value to you, I will certainly share it. I noticed that Lizzie Perkins is your Cooper Historian, and I am writing to her, also I have obtained information from Mrs. Eula Perkins of Cooper, and Miss Rebecca Hobart of Dennyville, both of whom are most helpful. (Editor: We regret not having room to print the pencilled copy of James Joseph Waltermann Harrison's genealogy but it is being sent to our genealogist, Ellen Fentason. We do want to add: "James J.W. Harrison, born in England, served as an apprentice when he was 12. He deserted from the British Navy in England, stowed away in hay on board a ship for America. It is said that a sword was plunged into the hay in search for stowaways." He changed his name to Harrison in this country, according to Mr. Smith.)

Ellen Wells, Falmouth, Me.: "I was delighted to read the words to TAPS (Nov/Dec news '1). We used to sing the words at Beaver Camp which was located on Clifford Lake in Camden, Me. area. I hadn't thought of this in years. Wish I'd been able to attend Pliny's talk and also Sammy's (Saunders). The newsletter is the bargain of the season as a Christmas gift!"
 (Ellen is a free-lance writer. Her article, "Who's Running the Show?" Appears in the winter issue of the Maine Audubon Quarterly. Ellen & Lloyd Wells are charter A-LAS members. They have also maintained a fantastically beautiful lakeside estate in the Crawford woods which they have just put on the market for sale.)

Mr. & Mrs. Ervin Roberts, 66 Hillside Ave., South Portland, Me. 04106:
 "We are trying to find the father of Milford Crosby who was born Feb. 11, 1815. He married Matilda Brown on July 18, 1844. We cannot find any information as to where his father was born, or his birthday. We think his name was Milford, but are not certain.

Lewis M. Hardison, 212 Spanish Oak Lane, Kerrville, Tex 78028: I am preparing a 12-page report on the FLANDERS family and will put it together in a folder and send to you for your files. It states in short form my problems with seeking missing information in the 5th generation under James Flanders b. 1766 in Amesbury, Mass. in 1766. Reports on both families (Flanders and Lewis) have been sent to the general society in Farmington and the Augusta Library. Have you any suggestions such as Bangor, Portland, Machias or N.B. Canada as I am sure he was married in N.B. and probably some of his children were born there.
 (We hope to publish such a list in our next newsletter. You could try the Provincial Archives, P.O. Box 6000, Fredericton, N.B. Canada E3B 5A1 ...ed.)

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GREETING



Good health and happy days
be yours, today, tomorrow and always.

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Winter Birthdays

Our Winter Birthday Celebrants
(Alexander & Crawford natives
reaching 75 years or older)
will be receiving handpainted
cards portraying the evergreen
wild plants now to be found
under the snow in our Pocomoon-
shine Woods...editor

Floyd Hunnewell

(b. Jan. 2, 1907)

RR #1, Box 1410

Alexander, Me. 04694

George Harold Perkins

(b. Jan. 26, 1907)

2055 Rockside Street

Cool, Calif. 94614

Baugh Frost Williams

(b. Jan. 1, 1904)

Surrey, Maine 04684

Nellie McPheters Delhara

(b. Feb. 28, 1905)

Woodland, Maine 04694

Leonard McDonough

(b. Feb. 8, 1900)

4805 Woodward

Dearborn, Mich. 48126

In Loving Memory

Recent Memorial gifts to our
Society's Building Fund have
been made in the names of:

Mae Jeffery Ingalls (1885-1981)
by Winifred R. Shea of Bedford,
Mass.

Charles Church (1927-1982)
by Lloyd and Ellen Wells of
Palmouth & Crawford Lake.

Melvin Hunnewell (1891-1982)
by Jack & Jane Dudley, Alexander.

Conrad Woodruff (1917-1982)
by Lloyd and Ellen Wells.

CORRECTION: Our new member
Leona Keen of Calais's surname
is 'Flood', not Frost as we
reported inadvertently in our
Nov/Dec newsletter. Sorry,
Leona, we put you in the wrong
family...editor



Happy New Year

Letters from Our Members

Gertrude Strout Winter, Bucksport: Two of the deaths reported in your last newsletter were descendants of Moses Bonney. Earl Frost was an ancestor of William Bonney and Rhoda Pike of Alexander (Rhoda m. 2nd, a Billings); Robert Carle's ancestor was Elizabeth or Betsy Bonney. Also my great grandmother (2nd marriage, Robert McLellan). My brothers both went to school to Lewis and Earle Frost. Both were very much loved. Earle taught in his very early years; Lewis died but a few years ago.

The frost (Earle) is a different branch - see Dr. Bailey's Frost Manuscript. (ed.: We have this manuscript in our society's file).

Marjorie Brown, Frostproof, Florida: I am enclosing check for dues, postage and a little extra. Again last summer I spent time in the hospital and could not enjoy any of the activities we had hoped to attend. We enjoy the newsletters very much. I have some pictures and letters from Cottell Ancestors which I had hoped to show you. Now I'll have to just hope to keep well next summer."

Genevieve D. Partridge, North Anson: I would like to be present at your Nov. 16 meeting, not only as a new member but also because it is the birthdate of my mother Ethel Lydia Bailey (Deane). She was born in 1869 at Alexander, the daughter of Benjamin and Emily Craft Bailey. Due to the many miles I would have to travel, and the unpredictable weather at this time of the year, I will have to forgo the pleasure until summer. I am enjoying the newsletter and was deeply touched by the reprint of June 13, 1876 concerning my great grandfather Nathaniel Bailey's misfortune. Jacob Bailey, who had a partridge in his home, was my great uncle. He also had a crow that could talk. I am also enclosing membership dues for Mrs. Verna Murphy. She is a descendant of Annaniah Bohanon and reaching her 1st 80's. She is very knowledgeable concerning her ancestors."

Catharine Walter, Auburn: Happy, Happy New Year to you all! Enclosed please find my check for dues and whatever. I do love the news of what you are all doing, especially for the children. I'm grateful that they have your group - in the country it's difficult to reach children."

Rachel Saunders, 8 Wheaton, Rehoboth, Mass. 02769: "Is there anyone in the society working on the Whites of Baileyville and Topsfield, or Smith's (Iscah married a White). I would like to hear from them. While I have collected quite a bit of information over the years, Washington County records are a bit sparse in the early 1800s. If there is anyone needing help in this area (Rhode Island and Southeastern Massachusetts) I'd be glad to try."

Jacqueline Larson, Billingham, Washington: "My sister Erin Alexander passed away suddenly last January 19th, followed by my mother Cora Colwell Livingston on March 6. My mother was the fifth daughter of Uriah S. Colwell. I'm glad to have a copy of Early Princeton, Maine, especially for the first chapter. I'm also grateful to Dr. Bailey for letting me have the last extra copy of his book. I was reminded (in the last issue) when I read the names of the 12 children born to Manley and Bertha Bohanon, when I was doing some research on one of my great, great grandmothers I found that she had 12 children also. The interesting part was that the first two were named Joy and Glory, and the last two were Prudence and Patience! Seemed to me these names summed up the life story of so many of the pioneer women."

(Mrs. Larson will be interested to hear that "Our Pioneer Women" has been selected as our theme for 1985. More about this later...ed.)

Jenny Brookmeyer; Bonnie Carlow; Adam Carson; Summer Catts; Lisa Clark, Tricia Robert McArthur; Michael McArthur; John Mitchell; Elizabeth Olson; Angela Tracy Wallace; Heather Weeks; Jill & Robin Wheaton; Leigh & Wendy Wheaton

Junior Members Scrapbook

HEY, We have exciting programs lined up for our 1983 Spring School-in-the-Woods program. Or, should I say 'programs'? We have three of 'em!

One for 'seniors' (11-15 years); another for 'juniors' (8-10 years) and the last month for the 'Pineneedles' (ages 5-8 years).

We're not going to tell you much about this now. 'Cause it's too early. But we'll hint! The oldest group will be having a different adult male guest at each Saturday morning March session. I won't tell you who they are now, but will list them in our next newsletter. Just you wait and see!

The 'juniors' (8 to 10 years) will meet on April Saturdays. They too, will have a different adult guest each session, (different then those coming in March). These meetings will be so interesting too, that we're sure the 'seniors' will beg to also attend!

And how about our little 'Pineneedles'? It's a SECRET. They will just love each of their May sessions. Just you wait!

With Love, Miss Marnie

We express our sincere thanks to the Calais Federal Savings & Loan for underwriting the printing cost of the 'Junior Scrapbook' page this issue.



When I would write my Love
so true,
However hard I try;
My heart absorbs all thought
of you,
And leaves
my pen
quite dry!



This early 1900 'Valentine Postcard', printed in Germany, was mailed from Boston to Maine with a one cent stamp.



by DANNY SULLIVAN

Luke Ketrner; Amanda & Cozy Kubinak; Beckery, Mark, Merley, Stephen Knowles; Kevin & Mark MacDonald; Smith; Amanda & Heather Sprague; Quentin Souza; Danny & Hanna Sullivan; Jeffery, Joey, Tanya &

Clark; Brian & Seth Davis; Matthew Day; Russel Gottle; Denelka Greenlaw; Alexis & Rachel Hertz; Nicky Jensen; Nathan Holst; Bryant James; Nathan Jellison; Arwyn & Lortien Kaminsky; Jenny, Jimmy Sears; Linda Seavey; Oliver & Sarah Smith; Tiffany Smith; Todd

Michelle Perkins; Carrie, Cathy & Micah Perkins; Joshua Pollock; David and Emily Sanford; Aleria,

Our Ancestors Receipts

Alice Maker Sealeys
favorite rule, from Florida
("1 slice thin and spread with butter".)



GRAPE NUT CEREAL BREAKFAST LOAF

- 1 3/4 cups unsifted all purpose flour
- 1 cup sugar
- 2 1/2 teaspoons Calumet baking powder
- 1 teaspoon salt ("I leave salt out".)
- 1 cup Post Grape Nuts Brand Cereal
- 1 cup milk
- 1 egg well beaten
- 2 tablespoons of shortening, melted

Mix flour with sugar, baking powder and salt. Stir in cereal. Blend the milk with egg and shortening. Add to first mixture and stir until flour is moistened.

Pour into 9 x 5 tin loaf fin pan. Bake at 350°F for 1 hour or until cake tester inserted into the center comes out clean. Cool for ten minutes, then remove from pan and cool on rack.

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