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## Thought for the Week

Halloween is Saturday

Eat, drink and  
be scary.

—Author Unknown

If you have a positive thought you'd like us to print, please send or email it to us. Include author's name, and your name and number, so we may contact you if we have any questions.

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All material to be considered for Community Briefs, "Letters to the Editor," & Obituaries must be in the office by Friday noon. Every effort will be made to publish those received by the deadline. "Letters to the Editor" must be signed and include your phone number and address. **The Irregular reserves the right to edit, properly classify, or decline any item.**

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

**I hope you have a guilty conscience****To the editor:**

To the person and/or persons who removed items from my barn that were to be given to the Strong United Methodist Church rummage sale... I hope you have a guilty conscience; you deserve it —stealing from the

Lord.

Also, to whomever removed the wooden clothes drying rack from my shed —enjoy!

Betty Whittemore  
Strong

**Thanks for making Mom's celebration of life so special****To the editor:**

The family of Margie Toothaker would like to express our sincerest thank-you to all the extended family, friends and community who helped make the celebration of her life so special. Well over 200 people were in attendance which shows how many lives Mom has touched.

The comfort and support is truly appreciated as well as all the donations made in honor of Mom.

Sincerely,  
Laurie Phillips  
Avon

For the Margie Toothaker family

## OBITUARY

**Daniel E. Phillips**

1953-2009 — *An avid reader who enjoyed fishing and bird hunting, he had a passion for working with wood*

LEWISTON — Daniel E. Phillips, 56, of Strong, died Saturday, Oct. 17, at Central Maine Medical Center surrounded by his family.

He was born April 27, 1953, in Waterville, the son of Volney M. and Mildred (Roberts) Phillips. Dan graduated from Valley High in Bingham. As a young man, he worked as a boat captain on the log drive on Indian Pond at the head of the Kennebec River. He worked as a carpenter specializing in fine woodwork on boats and homes.

He moved to Strong in 1978 and met Laura Nichols and her children. He had nine years with Laura, until she passed in 1987. He maintained a strong relationship with her children, who to this day consider him to be like a father.

Since meeting Linda Kemp and her son in 1996, they have shared a life together in Strong. In 2005, he purchased Strong Hardware and Building Supply, operating it through his illness, until his death. He was a avid reader and enjoyed fishing and bird hunting. As a business owner, he loved interacting with friends new and old at the store, but he always kept his passion for working with wood.

Survivors include a daughter, Stacy Carignan and her husband, Steve, of Waterloo, Iowa; two sons, Tony Nichols and his wife, Jessica, of Strong and Blair Kemp; three grandchildren, Nathan and Daniel Carignan and Natasha Nichols; a sister, Susan Newton, her husband, Douglas and two nephews, Jared and Seth Newton of Sebago; and many special friends and extended family.

He was predeceased by his wife, Laura; and his parents. A graveside memorial service was held Thursday, Oct. 22, 2009 at the Strong Village Cemetery.

Friends wishing may send online condolences to the family through Adams-McFarlane Funeral and Cremation Service's Web site [www.adamsmcfarlane.com](http://www.adamsmcfarlane.com).

Those wishing may make donations in Daniel's memory to the Strong Public Library, P.O. Box 263, Strong, ME 04983.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

**Blood drives in Skowhegan**

SKOWHEGAN — The American Red Cross is holding bloods drive on Wednesday, Nov. 18, from 1 to 6 p.m., at the Elks Lodge, 21 Silver Street, and also on Friday, Nov. 20, from 7:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Skowhegan High School, 61 Academy Circle.

For more information or to schedule an appointment to donate, call the American Red Cross at 1-800-GIVE LIFE (1-800-448-3543). Appointments are recommended, but walk-ins are welcome. This blood drive is subject to change without notice, call to confirm site and hours.

If you are 17 years or older, weigh at least 110 pounds, have not donated blood within the past 56 days and are feeling well, you may be eligible to donate a precious lifesaving pint of blood. There is no upper age limit and most medications are now acceptable.

**In Precious Memory Of  
Dorothy-Dawn Palmer  
"Dee-Dee"**

Who Walked Through Heaven's Gate  
2 Years ago ~ 03/14/1991 - 11/03/2007



The tears in our eyes we can wipe away  
The aches in our hearts will always stay

Sad was the parting, no one can tell,  
So sudden on earth the sorrow fell;  
The blow was hard, the shock severe,  
To part with one we loved so dear.

We want to always remember  
The beautiful life you lived  
And keep alive the memories we have  
Through remembering what you did

For you're so special to all of us  
A wonderful person indeed  
Your love, laughter and warm smile  
Reflected a heart that believed  
Just in the everyday things we do  
We remember your faith and love

In the laughter and words you spoke  
It is a continued reminder for us  
Although we miss you so very much  
We know we'll see you once more  
For this is the hope we have in God  
Being re-united in the Lord  
And as we gather we'll continue to share  
Special times we went through  
For these are the memories that warm  
our hearts

As we honor the memory of you  
Deeply missed and always loved,  
Dad & Renee'  
family and friends

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