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## Thought for the Week

Election Day was yesterday

The less the people know about  
how sausages and laws are  
made, the better they  
sleep in the night.

—Otto von Bismarck, attributed

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Thanks for helping our bake sale

#### To the editor:

The Kingfield/New Portland Fire Department Auxiliary would like to thank everyone who took the time and baked goodies for our bake sale at Tranten's General Store on Oct. 10.

And a special thank-you to the Tranten Family for letting our group set up outside their store. We appreciate

all of the generous donations we received. We are currently in the process of putting those donations to good use for our communities.

**Stacey Rundlet  
New Portland**

**For the Kingfield/New Portland Fire Department  
Auxiliary**

### Thanks for a wonderful youth soccer season

#### To the editor:

Many, many thanks to all those involved with the Western Maine Youth Soccer Association for a wonderful season.

The organizers, board members, officers and volunteer coaches (including both area adults and students from Mt. Abram High School), did an amazing job this fall as they worked with 167 K-6th graders from the MSAD #58 school system. The commitment that they have

made to promoting soccer and an active lifestyle in our community has benefited many families and has provided us with a unique opportunity to connect students from our area schools.

Kudos to them for their dedication to our students and to our community!

**Monique Poulin  
Kingfield**

### Thanks for helping making fall soccer season a success

#### To the editor:

On behalf of the Board of the Western Mountain Youth Soccer Association I would like to thank everyone who helped make the second fall season of outdoor recreational soccer a tremendous success. This year we had 170 youths from kindergarten to sixth grade participating and it seems a great time was had by all.

This success required help from many areas. Of course, the kids and their parents showed energy and enthusiasm throughout. Also, it would never have worked without great student-athletes from Mount Abram High School who gave generously of their time and experience in working with the kids. The adults who officiated, coached, and administered the program gave unselfishly of free time they have so little of.

A huge thank you also goes out to the people whose

many years of groundwork and refinement of this kind of program enabled us to start up so quickly and with so few initial problems: the Farmington Recreation Department. Steve Shible and Joe Nelson have given abundantly of their time through personal meetings, phone calls, and copies of written materials they had created and we were able to use for our program with minimal change. Without the long history of Farmington Recreation in conducting outdoor and indoor soccer programs our work would have been enormously more difficult.

Thanks again to everyone and we all look forward to continued success in our indoor and outdoor programs.

**Jim Logan, President,**

**Western Mountain Youth Soccer Association  
Kingfield**

### Haunted cemetery scene earns reward

#### To the editor:

We forgot to thank one group from the Stratton PTC Haunted Hayride...

Thank you to the 8th grade class for their haunted cemetery scene. Their participation in the event earned

them a \$50 donation from the PTC towards their 8th grade class trip fund.

**Sarah Strunk  
Eustis**

### Thanks for contributing to Stratton-Eustis Halloween party

#### To the editor:

The Stratton-Eustis Lions Club would like to thank the following area businesses for once again graciously donating prizes for the Stratton-Eustis Halloween party that was held on Halloween night in the Community Center.

The following businesses always graciously contribute to the Lions for many functions, and we appreciate their support. Thank you from all the Lions and the Stratton-

Eustis community to: the Pines Market, Fotters Market, The Plaza Restaurant, the White Wolf Restaurant, the Looney Moose Restaurant and the Northland Cash Supply store.

**Sincerely,**

**Patricia Franz, Secretary  
Eustis  
Stratton-Eustis Lions Club**

## OBITUARY

### John Clarence Hinkley Sr.

1950-2009 — He loved working in the woods

MERCER — John C. Hinkley Sr. 59, formally of Kingfield, died Wednesday, Oct. 7, 2009 at Maine Medical Center in Portland.

He was born March 2, 1950 in Kingfield the son of Perley Sr. and Shirley (Hesketh) Hinkley.

John was currently employed by Richard Carrier Trucking. He loved working in the woods which he had done for many years prior to trucking. He had also worked at several wood mills including his family's mill, "Hinkley's Woodworking."

John loved spending time outdoors, especially hunting and working in his garden. He enjoyed playing bingo, drinking coffee and telling his stories. John also loved spending time with his family.

He was predeceased by a son Shane Hinkley, his mother, Shirley (Hesketh) Libby, a brother, Perley Hinkley Jr., paternal grandparents, Evan and Nellie Hinkley, and maternal grandparents, Charlotte Crocker and Irving Hesketh.

He is survive by his wife Linda (Frost) Hinkley of

Mercer; his children, John C. Hinkley Jr. of Mercer, Jeffrey Hinkley of Kingfield, James Hinkley and his wife, Amy, of North New Portland, Jason Hinkley and his wife, Gloria, of Buxton, and Deanna (Hinkley) Sampson and her husband, Thomas, of Buxton; two step-children, Karen Bell of New York, and Daniel St. Pierre of Freeport; 11 grandchildren, Andrew, Kelly, Julia, Autumn, Zachary, Ryan, Kaylee, Joshua, Jerica, Thomas, and Teagan; four step-grandchildren, Joseph, Christopher, Kristi, and Eric; his sisters, Janet and her husband, Randy, Judith and her husband, Darryl; his brothers, Jay, Jaret and Jack; three nieces and nine nephews; and his best friend, Dennis Nile.

A funeral service was held Sat. Oct. 10, 2009 at the Kingfield United Methodist Church on High Street in Kingfield. Interment was in the Sunnyside Cemetery in Kingfield.

In lieu of flowers, those who wish may make a memorial contribution, c/o Amy Hinkley, 131 Bog Rd., New Portland, ME 04961.