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# THE PEW REVIEW

Believe.....all things  
are possible.



## East Area Association

The East Area Association of the American Baptist Churches of Maine met at Baptist Youth Camp on Sept,9.

Adrian Munro, Camp Director, reported that over 200 youth attended camp this summer.

"Where do we go from here?" was the main question during the afternoon session. What do we want for BYC and how can we develop those wants. The next "big" project is to redo the girls' shower/bathroom building. Other question, "how do we keep kids involved in the church once they leave BYC?" For some this is the only Christian experience they have. How can we hold on to them?

If anyone would like to

## "PLEASE HOLD"

The Bible tells us to "cast all our cares upon him for he cares for you" (1Peter 5:7). Shortly after reading this, I had to call a company with a certain problem and got an automated voice with a myriad of suggestions. Then I thought, "Wow, what if God used an answering service? What if God decided to install voice mail?" Imagine praying and then hearing this: "Thank you for calling Many Mansions. Please select one of the following options:

- Press 1 for requests
- Press 2 for thanksgiving
- Press 3 for complaints
- Press 4 for all other inquiries

What if God used the familiar excuse—"I'm sorry, all of our angels are busy helping other needy people right now. However, your prayer is important to us and will be answered in the order it was received. Please stay on the line."

Wow! That would be awful,

wouldn't it? What if you heard—"Our computers show that you have already prayed once today. Please hang up and try again tomorrow."

How about—"This office is closed for the weekend, please call during normal business hours," or—"We're are closed to observe a religious holiday. Please pray again tomorrow after 9:30a.m. If you need emergency assistance when this office is closed, please contact you local pastor."

That would be fine, but the pastor probably has voice mail, too!!!!

Oh, well, Fortunately God is available 24 hours a day. Isn't that wonderful?

### THOUGHT

In our prayers, we talk to God; in our Bible study, God talks to us, and we had better let God do most of the talking.



make a financial commitment to BYC, please see Sally for information. She will secure pledge cards for you.

The offering of \$132 was put toward BYC to assist with needs.

Issie Gibson was recognized for having the BEST DESERT. Those of us who know Issie can probably guess that she took a carrot cake. Good job, Issie.

2nd Baptist offered to hold the spring meeting. No date was set so watch for the announcement.

During the afternoon session we heard from Steve Heneise. Pastor Steve and his wife Shelia reported on their mission trip to Mexicali. Both of the Heneise's are professors of religion study and co-pastor the Blue Hill Baptist Church

This report briefly lets you know what goes on at area meetings.

Try to attend, meet new people, and enjoy the fellowship.

Hi, Lord, it's me. We are getting older and things are getting bad here. Gas prices are too high, no jobs, food and heating cost are too high. I know some have taken you out of our schools, and even Christmas, but, Lord, I'm asking you to come back and re-bless America. We really need you! There are more of us who want you than those who don't!

Thank you, Lord,  
I love you.  
Amen



OCTOBER'S BEAUTIFUL PEOPLE	
1	Bradly Demmons
6	Kathleen Stevens
7	Arlene Gibson
12	Ginny Bubak
13	Sharon Waycott
14	Tammy Ginn Pastor Matt
15	Marlene Bryant
19	Mike Hodson
22	Sally Doten
23	Dale Newell

### TALK ABOUT LADIES BEING DUMB BLONDES

Here's a couple about you might enjoy about the "men:"

An Italian tourist asks a blonde man: "Why do scuba divers always fall backwards off their boats?" To which the blonde man replies, "If



they fell forward, they'd still be in the boat."

A blonde man shouts frantically into the phone, "My wife is pregnant and her contractions are only minutes apart!" "Is this her first child?" the doctor asks. "No!" he shouts, "this is her husband."

A friend told the blonde man, "Christmas is on a Friday this year." The blonde man then said, "let's hope it's not the 13th."

## The Church Mouse (by Maudie)

Ok, let me say this and get it over with..."I'm tired!" I don't know what happens to one's body when they pass 50, but the changes are weird.

A few years back I could take care of all the kids, cook all day, clean the nest, etc. But not anymore...I have to sit between jobs. Do the dishes, sit; do the laundry, sit; make cookies, sit...and on it goes. I have a large indentation in one corner of the nest that is wearing thin because I sit so much. This was never my normal life style. I used to be ambitious; I used to be thin; I used to take time with my make-up. Now if I

get up and jump into the shower I consider it a major accomplishment for the day.

Each Sunday, as I scan the congregation from the pulpit area, I wonder what other women are experiencing this. I watch Kathy, she seems to be full of vim and vigor; I look at Issie, she's just sitting there smiling and enjoying the day; I look at Marion, and she's still laughing and joking during our greeting time. Then it comes back to me. Here I am nestled in the flowers in front of the pulpit ready for a nap. Where has my "spunk" gone? Did it go the same place as the hair on my

legs? It just disappeared.

Ok, God, I'm asking you for a little help here. Let me have some of the energy I used to have; let me spend less time sitting and more time doing. I need to be doing...I need to feel stronger again. I know you're not through with me yet. Show me what to do; I will do it to the best of my ability.



Our Kathy, doing what she does best.

What you send out—  
comes back  
What you sow—  
You reap  
What you give—  
You get  
What you see in others—  
Exists in you

**CHURCH SIGN**  
You are not too bad to come in.  
You are not too good to stay out.

## THIS 'N THAT

September was a busy month. The “boys” were here from the Dominican Republic to do a concert. What energy they have. The trumpets are wonderful and the voices so sincere in their praising.

Thank you, Beverli, for being such a wonderful hostess to this group and their entourage.

Mike & Kathy celebrated their 18th wedding anniversary during the month. Such a great couple.

Keep Jeff Doten in your prayers. He fell from a ladder while a work. His shoulder injury will require surgery on Oct. 16.

George Stevens has recently retired. Nice to have you back, George, and to have you singing in the choir.

Jim & Sally were happy to have their granddaughter Shannon and boyfriend Scot home for

a week-end. They spent time in Campobello and enjoying the beach.

Also, congratulation to another granddaughter, Ashley. Ashley was recently hired by the Yarmouth School Department working in Kindergarten and Grade 1.

As this column is being written, Muriel Doten is in the hospital having a procedure done on her hips. Prayerfully this will give her some relief from the terrible pain she is experiencing.

Please keep Pastor Bob Hinton in prayer. He is having heart problems caused by several blockages. Keep Bob and the doctors in prayer that the right decisions are make regarding his future health.

Kelly Hodson is again running her Pre-K program here at the church. Good luck, Kelly—have a successful year.

Steven Gibson, Issie’s

grandson, is expected to be home by Oct. 9. Steve was in a horrific car accident last month and has been at EMMC since.

Welcome to Roy Cornelius. Roy is the construction foreman at the new addition to Wal-Mart. He haes from Florida, but will be spending time with us until the job is completed sometime in the spring. Please make him feel welcomed.

Gary & Kay Urquhart were in Bangor recently for Gary’s check-up. All went well and he was even taken off one of his medications. Way to go, Gary.

Also having good medical reports are: Issie Gibson and Marlene Bryant. Both have been traveling to Bangor & Ellsworth for appointments.

Keep Pastor Matt & fam-



**JOSIAH SAYS -**

“This is my latest picture.

Here I am trying to explain to Dad just how the job should be done.”

The best way to forget all your troubles is to wear tight shoes.



“Aspire to inspire  
Before  
You expire”

Why is lemon juice made with artificial flavor, and dishwashing liquid made with real lemons?



## BROTHERS & SISTERS FOR MISSIONS

At their September meeting this group voted to purchase a washer & dryer for the Baptist Youth Camp. Money raised from the sale of cards will help pay for this project. If you would like to make a personal donation, please see Sally. Also, we are raising money for Uganda (\$125) for which a jar is at the back of the sanctuary. Our White Cross items will be going to “The Edna Martin Christian Center” in Indianapolis. Any questions on this see Rita Stewart. Thank you for being so generous. Every time we approach the church, we are overwhelmed by your sup-



"Autumn is a second spring when  
Every leaf is a flower."

## The Amazing Race

And what a race it was. Under the director of our UTH leaders, Debbie Little and Steve McFadden, 21 youth and many adults took part in the fun on Sunday, Sept. 23.

Just as the television show, the participants were sent to various areas in the city to find clues, perform tasks, and hurry to the next location. One of the hardest tasks "most" drivers & participants had was to find a clue at Meriden Park. No one knew where it was; do you? As in the program, someone always gets lost or has to repeat a task; needless to say it also happened in Calais.

A great time was had by all. Please take time to thank Debbie & Steve for their dedication to the youth. It's a hard job but handled so graciously and well by these two.



Retreat  
Week-End  
at BYC with  
Pastor Matt  
and some of  
the kids.

At Sunday School they were teaching how God created everything, including human beings. Little Johnny seemed especially intent when they told him how Eve was created out of one of Adam's rib. Later in the week his mother noticed him lying down as though he were ill, and said, "Johnny, what is the matter?" Little Johnny responded, "I have a pain in my side. I think I'm going to have a wife."



### BYC/KATHY

What would BYC do without Kathy Francis and what would Kathy do without BYC?

Kathy is an intricate part of the camp. Without her, there would be no meals, no "other mother" to hug the kids, no one to make cookies. Kathy's heart is at BYC. Let her know how much she is appreciated. We love you, Kathy.



### For Sale

I have a Singer Sewing Machine for sale with cabinet and storage bench. I really don't sew much and would like to get rid of it. \$75 and your help to move it is all I'm asking. Let me know. Thanks, Sally.

### CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The next event sponsored by this board is our annual "Harvest Party." This will be held on October 26 at 5:30pm.

Items needed are cakes for the Cake Walk and candy for the Treat Bags. There will be a sign-up for the cakes. A bucket will be provided for candy. Just get individually wrapped candies or chips for this.

The kids have a great time. Games are played, apples are bobbed, faces are painted, costumes are worn, etc.

COME JOIN THE



FUN....