

# THE PEW REVIEW



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## THE LOVE MONTH



Cold and snowy February  
Does seem slow and trying, very.  
Still, a month made gay by Cupid

Trip over love, you can get up, Fall in love and you fall forever.

I don't understand why Cupid was chosen to represent Valentine's Day. When I think about romance, the last thing on my mind is a short, chubby toddler coming at me with a weapon.



Grow old with me!  
The best is yet to come!



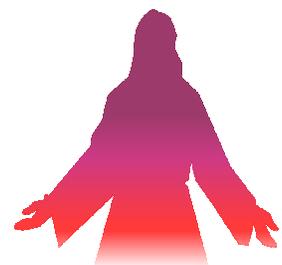
Love is better than  
a tight girdle.



### 1 Corinthians 13:4-7

"Love is patience and kind. Love is not jealous or boastful or proud or rude. Love does not demand its own way. Love is not irritable, and I keeps no record of when it has been wronged. It is never glad about injustice but rejoices whoever the truth winds out. Love never gives up, never loses faith, is always hopeful, and endures through every circumstance."

Bible Readings for the Month



**All These Sweeties Were Born in February**

Joe McAdams (2)	Edna Ferson (13)
Joyce Matthews (2)	George Stevens (14)
Bruce Howland (4)	Ethel Fitzpatrick (19)
MaKenna Trader (4)	Amanda Fowler (20)
Alena Marshall (6)	Florence Russell (26)
Jeff Francis (8)	Mary McAdams (26)
Amy McDonald (11)	Jeremy McAdams (26)
Kay Urquhart (13)	Norma Shattuck (27)

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**



Heaven gained another angel on January 15th. Muriel Doten served this church and the Baring church for many years. She worked as a Sunday School teacher, a deacon, and a choir member and director.

No one was more dedicated working for her Lord than Muriel. She made sure military servicemen and college students received cards and "The Daily Bread" each month. If you knew her you were on her prayer list.

She is now free of pain and sharing heavenly gardens with Clyde.

Aunt Muriel was buried with full military honors at the Baring Cemetery.

**THIS 'N THAT**

Get all better, Mike Clark. It's nice to have you back in the pew and feeling better.

Pauline McFadden's mom is on the sick list. Prayer that she feels the healing hand of God.

This is just a little belated but here goes—Happy Birthday to Rachel Burden. The number 33 meant a lot of candles on the cake. After that celebration, little Lydia turned two on January 21.

I talked with two very special people in the past two weeks. First I heard from Kay Urquhart who says, "hi," to everyone. She is doing great and attending the Methodist church. A bus comes to the residence and transports all who want to go. Kay told me there were no Baptists in the area. The second call was from Evelyn Howland. She misses each and everyone. Bruce and she are doing well and finally feel settled in their new surroundings. She said it took awhile not being in Calais but all is well now. I miss these three people very much. They never said no when ask to help with any task. Probably some of the nicest people you could ever meet. So a very special shout out to: Bruce, Evelyn, and Kay.



Thinking of Luca

Sherrard today as he

is sick with bacterial pneumonia. Get well, soon, Luca. We are praying for you.

Steve & Paula Farrar have returned home from a cross country car trip. They left Charlotte before Christmas and arrived in San Diego after the new year. What a great adventure!!! They had a chance to attend shows and display their yarns. What beautiful work they do!!!! Be sure to check out "Done Roven Yarns." Welcome back to Maine .....

Donnie Dinsmore gave us all a scare at a recent morning service. He had a very low blood which resulted in a ride in the ambulance and a stay at Calais Hospital. Glad you're feeling better, Donnie. No more scares, please.

Sympathy is extended to Ruth Lyons and her family on the loss of her brother.

Flo Russell is now a patient at Downeast Community Hospital in Machias. Send her a card. She had a fall, went to Calais, transferred to Bangor, and now back to Machias. She is there for a rehab program. Get well soon, Flo. We are missing you.

**PRAY**  
And let God worry.





### New Group

A new ministry group is being started at church on February 13. **THE SECRET SISTERS** will hold their first meeting by hosting a pot luck supper at 5pm. This group is opened to all ladies of the church.

Gloria P. and Rachel B. decided it was time for a little fun, put their heads together, and here we are. This is the same idea as the "secret pal" you may have had in other groups.

So, girls, you have no choice.....you don't want to be a party pooper.

See Gloria or Rachel if you have any questions.

### LAUGHTER IS THE BEST MEDICINE

- ⇒ Why couldn't the the middle-aged woman type on her computer for a week? Because she lost her keys.
- ⇒ Did you hear about the old geezer who sat up all night wondering where the sun went? Then it finally dawned on him.
- ⇒ For his 50th birthday, the kids bought their sportsman dad a new camouflage tent. Once he put it up, though, he could never find it again.



### THE CHURCH MOUSE



Here I am, I am here, here I am!! Have you missed me; it's been a month or two I can't remember which. This old age thing isn't cracked up to what I was expecting.

Almost burned the fuzz off my ears the other day. I got into the kitchen sink to take a quit shower before going shopping with Maxi. Well, to my surprise the water was hot immediately. I jumped so high into the next sink I hit my head on the cabinets. Ouch!!! I have a knot the size of a pea there now.

Now to continue. Maxi and I went shopping. Oh, my we found the new candy shop on Main Street. Yummy stuff in there. I could have spent all the grocery money right there on the spot. I had to drag Maxi out the door. She loved it as much as I did.

After jumping over snowbanks and avoiding the puddles, we ate lunch at Crumbs. Crumbs is just a perfect place for mice to eat. CRUMBS, oh I love that word. We got of fill of those that afternoon.

The lunch was elegant. We went straight home after and without the groceries. I was so full I needed a nap immediately. I snoozed away the afternoon until the phone rang. Scurring to answer it, I slipped on some scattered dust. Slid right into the door of the refrigerator. Another bump on the head. This is not my day!! And the phone....well, guess what...a political call. Darn telemarketers.

So after muttering several words of anger, figured I'd better turn on the TV, turn on the fire place, put up my feet, and stay put. And that was my day. Hope tomorrow is better

You all take care

A bookseller conducting a marketer survey asked a woman, "Which book has helped you the most in your life?"

She replied, "My husband's checkbook."



### Annual Meeting of the Church

The Annual Meeting was held on January 31 directly after morning worship. The meeting was short with no arguments or misunderstandings. Lewis Little explained the budget which is a little high this year but we still are saving on fuel expenses. The payroll for the pastor and other church employees was approved. Bruce Goding and Irene Moreside volunteered to service on the Executive Board. Volunteers for the Finance Committee were Sharon Goding and Brian Marshall. An overwhelming vote of confidence was given to Pastor Matt.

After the meeting we enjoyed a pot blessed lunch in the fellowship hall. This was organized by our new secretary and hospitality organizer, Gloria Phillips. A great amount of food was consumed by all that attended. We all went home with "doggy bags."

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO IRENE GALLWAY....SURPRISE !!!!!

A group of friends got together at the Wickachee the first week of January and surprised Irene with a birthday party. And, surprised she was....said she had never had a party before. We all enjoyed a delicious luncheon and had a great time watching Irene open gifts and read her cards.



The Sunday School led Praise and Worship on January 31. In the background is the new worship band and singers.

**Our new Praise and Worship band and singers**



**Pastor Matt & Rachel plus Rebekah Copeland**



**A parachutist jumped from a plane, only to discover that his chute was broken. Plunging to the ground, he saw another man on the way up. "Hey," he yelled frantically to the man, "do you know anything about parachutes?"**

**No," shouted the man. "Do you know anything about gas grills?"**



**The next few pages is a story about Nate Becker. Nate is a missionary in South America. He has recently adopted four boys left homeless since losing their parents. Nate is not stranger to us. He and his family have been active at BYC and here in this church with the puppet shows, plays, and music. I hope you enjoy Nate's writing.....**