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10 years ago — May 26, 2006

(As reported in the Bangor Daily News)
 BREWER — Two new, school-based health clinics are opening at Brewer High School and Brewer Middle School in the fall, thanks to a partnership between the state, Penobscot Community Health Center and the school department.

PCHC of Bangor applied for funds under the Teen and Young Adult Health Program, through the Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention, and received a \$50,000 grant to open the school-based health clinics in Brewer.

“I am very excited about the prospect of having a doctor’s services available to our students,” Brad Fox, Brewer High School’s principal, said recently. “It will make check-ups, follow-ups and other procedures more easily available to our students, and more convenient for their parents.

“We will have a healthier group of students who can focus on learning,” he said.

Space for the clinics already has been set aside in the nurse’s offices within the two schools. PCHC will provide a nurse practitioner and medical assistant to run the program, which is not costing the community any money, Cathy Sherman, Brewer High School nurse, said Tuesday.

“It’s an all-around good investment,” she said. “Adolescents [typically] don’t go and get health care until they have to go to the emergency room.”

In addition to providing sick students and pupils with immediate medical services, including physical exams, diagnosis and treatment of acute and chronic illness, the program also is designed to emphasize early intervention.

“We are going to do preventative health care,” Sherman said, adding that screenings for mental health, nutrition, dental hygiene and other teen issues are planned.

“It’s a little miniclinic in the school, and it’s not to replace the student’s [primary care provider],” she said. “It’s meant to augment.”

PCHC is a nonprofit agency founded in 1997 that provides a wide range of health care services, including dental, at clinics in both Bangor and Old Town.

The goal of the school-based clinic is to insure that health care services are available to any student, regardless of the family’s ability to pay, Vicki Rusbult, PCHC community relations manager, said Tuesday.

Any student can be seen at the clinics, which will be open only when school is in session, and a sliding fee scale has been set up for families at or below 200 percent of the area’s federal poverty level.

“If they have private insurance, they can be seen, or MaineCare or if they want to pay out of pocket,” Rusbult said. “Any student of the school system is welcome.”

The partners are planning to reapply for the competitive grant for the next five years, which is the limit, she said.

Parents interested in their children participating in the new program must sign up, Sherman stressed. Information about the new clinics will be sent to par-

PICTURE FROM THE PAST



BANGOR DAILY NEWS FILE PHOTO BY SPIKE WEBB

One of the many Maine Day projects held on the University of Maine campus on Wednesday, May 13, 1953 was general work around the home of President Arthur A. Hauck. Volunteering with this particular group are (from left) John Pulsifer, East Harpswell; Bob Parker, White Plains, N.Y.; Lois Flood, Framingham, Mass.; Carol Loud, Waterville; Anne Burns, Sudbury, Mass.; Elliott Barker II, Waterville; and Sally Gay, Lexington, Mass.

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ents this summer.

The area’s federal poverty levels and income limits are listed at the PCHC website: pchcbangor.org.

Brewer and SAD 67 in Lincoln received funds this year to open school-based clinics and will join 27 other schools, mostly in southern Maine, that offer on-campus health care services to students and pupils.

“Brewer is very fortunate to be able to offer this service to our students,” Superintendent Daniel Lee stated in a press release. “It is hard for students to concentrate on their studies when they are ill.

“Our school-based health centers will make it possible for students to immediately access medical treatment without significantly interrupting their educational program,” he said.

BANGOR — Sporting a wildly patterned tie and a huge grin, Frank Farrington watched alongside other city officials Thursday while workers from Bangor’s Forestry Department packed soil around a newly planted ginkgo biloba tree near West Market Square.

Farrington, who served as Bangor’s mayor last year, accepted the tree as his winning “trophy” for the 2005 Eastern Maine Soap Box Derby Race from former Brewer Mayor Joe Ferris.

“He got in the fast lane and inched me out by a nose,” Ferris said.

The two have shared a 35-year friendship, filled with lots of competitive banter, including heated high school basketball matches at the YMCA. When they were pitted against each other at last year’s derby, a good-natured rivalry between the longtime opponents was inevitable.

The two city officials each climbed into a derby car and raced down Buck Street in Bangor.

Farrington admitted that Ferris usually emerges as winner in all that they do. In 2005, the Bangor mayor presented Ferris with a tree

for the Brewer community after the 2004 Soapbox Derby in Brewer.

“This is a big day in my life,” Farrington said. “It was a sweet victory.”

The tree-planting tradition started four years ago. The ginkgo biloba, an Asiatic tree with fan-shaped leaves, was chosen to match the others planted along Main Street, according to Dana Wardwell, Bangor’s Public Works director.

Farrington said he planned to bring his grandchildren to the site to show them his “prize.” He also emphasized the importance of the Soap Box Derby Race for children, which is offered for ages 8 through 17.

“It really is a wonderful event for kids,” he said.

25 years ago — May 26, 1991

HAMPDEN — Elinor Canders of Hampden has been elected to represent Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont on the National Council of Administration governing the Veterans of Foreign Wars Ladies Auxiliary between national conventions.

Canders was installed at the 76th National Convention in Las Vegas, Nev., in 1989 and will serve a two-year term. She is one of 28 representatives who compose the council with the top seven national officers, the national chief of staff and four junior past national presidents.

Canders is a member of Whitcomb-Baker Auxiliary 4633 and has served in many capacities including local, district and state president. She also served as 1988-89 national chairman for the Eastern Conference on the VFW National Home Program.

She was for 20 years a fifth-grade teacher in Bangor and now is a florist and designer. She was at the banquet in Skowhegan in honor of Fran Booth, National Auxiliary president.

The Bangor Education Foundation has announced four funding awards for projects in Bangor schools in the foundation’s Spring

1991 grant round.

Abraham Lincoln School principal William Armstrong received \$684.50 for an interdisciplinary project titled “Lego-Logo, Building Things That Move.” The project is a coordinated effort with the Bangor Hydro-Electric Co., the school’s community partner in education. Lego-Logo has primary school pupils build simple machines which move with help from electric motors and hydraulic devices and can be computer-guided.

Fine Arts Coordinator and music teacher Susan Grindel was granted \$330 to help fund admission for all Bangor third and fourth grade pupils to attend a Bangor Symphony Orchestra Youth Concert in March.

Downeast School art teacher Julie MacLeod was awarded \$240 to fund “Forests: Rain and Maine,” an interdisciplinary unit that compares Maine’s northern forest to Venezuelan rain forests. Using photographs from a trip to Venezuela last November, MacLeod’s effort includes social studies, folk art, and natural science.

Bangor High School’s student environmental organization, Students Ending Environmental Disaster, was awarded \$340 to help send a SEED member to a global environment seminar for high school students to be held in Washington, D.C., in June.

The BEF is a non-profit community organization that works to promote achievement in public schools. It awards education grants twice per year and deadlines are Aug. 31 and Jan. 15.

50 years ago — May 26, 1966

The reorganization of the Brewer Police Department, which is expected to take effect the latter part of June, was disclosed Monday evening by City Manager Earle D. Stevens and Mayor Barrington Ivers.

The plan was not officially announced by Brewer officials, but Stevens said it would entail these changes:

The position of dispatcher would be eliminated, three

additional patrolmen would be hired, the commanding officer of each crew would act as dispatcher, with patrolmen filling in at times.

Stevens, contacted at his home, said he did not have the figures before him on how much money the reorganization plan would cost taxpayers.

Stevens said the only reason for the reorganization was to have a more “effective police department.” He said he had received no complaints about the department’s operation, “but you don’t always have to have complaints before changes are made.”

Stevens said the reorganization plan had the full approval of the city council and that it had been discussed at budget sessions in past months.

Mayor Ivers agreed with Stevens in that he hoped the reorganization would give Brewer a more effective department, but he also said that there had been a “little friction” at police headquarters that had something to do with the reorganization plans.

Mayor Ivers said that it was his understanding that dispatchers — he didn’t name them — had been giving orders and “they are not in the position to give orders.”

Miss Marcia Piper, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Quentin Piper, will be featured in a trumpet solo at the spring music concert Thursday. The program will be presented at 8 p.m. in the school gymnasium with Robert S. Modr, conductor.

Miss Piper will play the trumpet solo during an orchestra selection.

The orchestra will play several numbers.

The junior high chorus will sing three selections. There will be four selections by the senior high school band, and the program will close with a finale by the chorus and band.

Decor will include an exhibit by the senior high art

department, under the supervision of Mrs. Sandra Buker, art supervisor in Orono schools.

100 years ago — May 26, 1916

John E. Wilson, a corporal in Co. G., N.G.S.M., who on June 1, in Augusta, will take his preliminary examination for admittance to West Point, is the first Bangor man to try for a commission under the new law.

Previously, nobody could take examinations for West Point unless first recommended by a member of Congress. Now the examinations are open to all members of the national guard who have been in continuous service for one year.

This year, three members of the Maine Guard will be eligible to enter the academy. They must pass two examinations — the first in Augusta on June 1, and the second at Fort Banks. Both, of course, will be very strict, both as to mental and physical requirements.

The mental examination in Augusta will be conducted by State Superintendent of Schools, Payson Smith, and will be along general educational lines. The Fort Banks examination will deal more specifically with military science.

It is not known how many Maine guardsmen will compete, but it is said that there is the keenest interest. Candidates must be between the ages of 19 and 23, and must, as stated, have been in the guard for one year.

OLD TOWN — A heavy thunder shower accompanied by hail passed over this section Wednesday night at 11 o’clock. Another heavy shower, also accompanied by hail struck here Thursday afternoon at 3 o’clock. There was a heavy downpour which flooded the streets.

Compiled by Ardeana Hamlin & Aimee Thibodeau

Death Notices

BOOKER, Phillip C., 71, Brewer, May 14, 2016.

BROWN, Jean Simpson, 80, Hermon; at Bangor, May 17, 2016.

BUXTON, William F., 51, Glenburn; at Glenburn, May 12, 2016.

BYORAK, Daniel L., 74, Bangor and Melbourne Beach, Fla.; at Melbourne, Fla., May 10, 2016.

DYER, Jeffrey Sheridan, 66, Glenburn, May 15, 2016.

GRACE, Janice M., 80, Etna; at Bangor, May 17, 2016.

GRAY, Rosanne E. (Pendleton), Hermon, May 16, 2016.

GRAY, Rosanne P., Hermon; at Hermon, May 16, 2016. Service 3 p.m. Sunday, June 5, 2016, at Brookings-Smith, 133 Center St., Bangor.

HARDY, Marilyn Comeau, 89, Orono, May 14, 2016.

JEWELL, Dana Robert, 75, Hermon, April 7, 2015.

MONTGOMERY, Linda M., 72, Winterport; at Bangor, May 15, 2016. Service 11 a.m. Tuesday, May 31, 2016 at Oak Hill Cemetery, Winterport.

NICKERSON, Robert William “Nick,” Bangor, May 15, 2016.

PARDY, Earl F., 84, Winterport, Dec. 30, 2015.

PICKARD, Gloria M., 90, Hermon; at Bangor, May 14, 2016.

WATTERS, Charles L., 66, Eddington; at Eddington, May 17, 2016.

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