Remember When — This Date in 1952

Wednesday and Kentucky Guy, sons of Mr. and Mrs. O.K. Gay received their Eagle Badges at the Court of Honor held at the Millen Community House. Kermit, 15 has earned 44 Merit Badges and is Senior Crew Leader of Explorer Post 134. Heywood, 13, has earned 29 Merit Badges and is Senior Patrol Leader of Troop 14.

Heywood Lane has been chosen “Girl of the Month” of Millen High School and Travis Rhodes has the honor of being chosen “Boy of the Month.” The high school faculty chose these students using the following criteria: school citizenship, scholarship and service.

Jenkins County’s first drive-in restaurant will open next week, according to Ivy Shuman, the owner. Ivy’s Fine Foods is located just a few hundred feet north of the city limits on Hwy. 25, just across from the Moonlight Drive-In Theater.

According to C.R. Landrum, Superintendent, the new school building should be ready for occupancy by the fall term, barring unforeseen circumstances.

Announcement was made by the State Highway Department office in Augusta that Jenkins County has been awarded an additional three miles grading contract on the Millen-Scarboro Road. Hwy. 17. There is yet six miles to be graded on this road before reaching the county line. This is the last state highway in Jenkins County to be improved.

Within the past four weeks, there have been four reported burglaries within the City of Millen. Of Friday evening, the Millen Cafè and the Amoco filling station were entered. On Tuesday evening, Harris Fish Market and Jitney Jungle were entered. The police department was hot on the trail of the suspect Tuesday evening but it ended when the intruders got away in the direction of the Georgia coal chute. Police Chief Blane fired two shots at the fleeing intruder but with no effect.

Rev. Solomon Roberts Jr., pastor, Greater Bethel A.M.E. Church, Sylvan, GA. was the guest speaker at the Martin Luther King Jr. Service of Rededication program. The service will be held at 5 p.m. Jan. 15th at the Zion Baptist Church on Old Sylvania Road.

Rev. Roberts is the fourth of six children of Rev. and Mrs. Solomon J. Roberts Sr. He started preaching at the early age of four but actually delivered his first sermon at the age of six. At the age of 12, he completed his initial sermon and received his license to preach.

When Rev. Roberts turned 18 years of age, he was ordained itinerate Deacon and sent to pastor. During this time he attended Savannah State University. He left college and joined the U.S. Army where he served three years as a Cavalry Scout. He then settled in Savannah after being honorably discharged from the Army.

At the age of 22, Rev. Roberts was ordained itinerant Elder. He attended Savannah Technical College prior to attending St. Leo University where he obtained a Bachelor Degree in Liberal Arts and a Bachelor Degree in Healthcare Management.

He and his wife, Chelsea, have three children, Jaizlyn, Sokki and Solomon III.

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How to help: Find a blood donation opportunity and schedule an appointment to donate by using the free Blood Donor App, visiting redcrossblood.org or calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767). The Red Cross is extending office hours at many donation sites for more donors to give. Donors also donate The Red Cross has added nearly 200 hours to blood donation centers and community blood drives across the country over the next few weeks. Donation appointments and completion of a RapidPass online health history questionnaire are encouraged to help speed up the donation process.

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The Co. John James Jones #939 Children of the Confederate submits the following dates as “flag fly” days this month: Jan. 14th – Birthday of Commodore Matthew Fontaine Maury; Jan. 19th – Birthday of General Robert E. Lee; and Jan. 21 – Birthday of General Thomas J. (Stonewall) Jackson.

State Troopers from the Sylvan Post of the Georgia State Patrol investigated 13 traffic crashes during the month of December 2016 in Jenkins County. Sergeant First Class J.C. Laxinski said the traffic crashes resulted in 16 injuries and 1 death.

SFC Laxinski said Troopers from Post 21 also issued 118 traffic citations in the county during the month. The total included 6 arrests for Driving Under the Influence, 11 citations for speeding, 14 seat belt violations, and 18 child restraint violations. Troopers also issued 124 warnings.

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United Way of Jenkins County

2017 Agency Applications

United Way of Jenkins County is now accepting applications from non-profit or government agencies serving residents of Jenkins County. Applications may be obtained from the Jenkins County Family Enrichment Center at 527 Barony Avenue, Millen, GA. Completed applications must be returned to the Jenkins County Family Enrichment Center at 527 Barony Avenue, Millen, GA.

Completed applications must be returned by 5:00pm, Thursday, January 26, 2017.

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Elementary School

Monday, Jan. 16 – Holiday.

Tuesday, Jan. 17 – Salisbury steak w/gray, wheat roll or tur- key/cheese wrap, choices: creamy potatoes, butternut, veg. w/lump garden salad, fruit variety or chef salad, chicken fajita wrap, fresh fruit, sherbert, chips.

Wednesday, Jan. 18 – Sausage links, cornbread or peanut butter & jelly sandwich; choices: mac & cheese, turnips, veg. w/lump garden salad, fruit variety or chef salad, chicken fajita wrap, fresh fruit, chips, Graham crackers.

Thursday, Jan. 19 – Chicken & dumplings or ham & cheese; choices: garden pea, veg. w/lump garden salad, fruit variety or chef salad, chicken fajita wrap, fresh fruit, sherbert, chips.

Friday, Jan. 20 – Hamburger or peanut butter & jelly sandwich; oven fries, baked beans, veg. w/lump, dill pickle spears, garden salad, jelly w/fruit, or chef salad, chicken fajita wrap, fresh fruit, chips, Graham crackers. Milk served daily.

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