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President's Letter:

Hello Croaker Readers!

This time of year everyone's talking about L-O-V-E. With the big teddy bears and chocolate hearts stacked high on the shelves of every store, its hard to forget Valentine's Day is coming up. All this focus on whether or not you have a Valentine and the search for the perfect gift can add such stress that we forget what the significance of love besides the romantic gestures.

LOVE as spelled out in 1 Corinthians 13 goes beyond the initial attraction and flirtation of characters that we see on the screen.

"Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others, it does not insist upon itself, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth."

If you skimmed through that verse because you have heard it many times, I ask that you go back and read it again slowly.

Love is more than a feeling, it's more than words. Love is a verb that transcends more than just romantic relationships. "Let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love." 1 John 4:7-8

Take time this Valentine's season and spread some patient, kind, forgiving love to everyone.

Emily Lamy

Upcoming Reunions and Other Dates:

February Reunion: Open to EVERYONE!!

Saturday, February 6, **7:00pm**
1st Congregational Church of Thomaston
135 Main Street, Thomaston 06787

Prayer Requests:

Pray for the Coordinator Selection committee as they meet to pray over who to ask to be the next Coordinator.

Pray for our community, that more would come to reunions and that we would be able to stay a vital community that could reach the lives of other teenagers in the future.

Please feel free to send prayer requests to our ‘**prayistas**’:

Barb Clavette (JEClavette@snet.net or 482-0172)

Sandy Miller (SanJeanM@AOL.com or 482-5601)

They will pass the appropriate ones along to the Croaker to be listed here and send out emails to the prayer chain. Be sure to let them know if you wish to remain anonymous or if you don’t want the prayer published at all.

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