

Monday, January 19, 1998

WE WANTED TO THANK YOU. BUT YOU WERE GONE. WE KNOW WHAT
HARDSHIP YOU ENDURED TO SAVE OUR TOWN. YOU WILL REMAIN IN OUR
HEARTS FOR WHAT YOU HAVE DONE. SOME OF YOU CAME FROM VERY
WARM CLIMATES TO WORK ON POLES WITH THE TEMPERATURE WELL
BELOW ZERO, ICE, THEN A FOOT OF SNOW TO HIDE THE HAZARDS BENEATH
THE SNOW, YOU CARRIED ON AS IF WE WERE YOUR OWN. OUR HOME IS
REMOTE, OUR ROAD IMPASSABLE FOR FOUR DAYS. OUR HEAT FROM A
FIREPLACE AND ONE SMALL FRANKLIN STOVE KEPT US FROM
FREEZING. AS COUNTRY FOLKS DO WE HAD A SUPPLY OF FOOD AND
FRIENDS BROUGHT WOOD TO BURN IN THE SMALL FRANKLIN
STOVE, AFTER WE RAN OUT OF SMALL WOOD. THE FIRST FOUR DAYS WE
LASTED WITHOUT HELP BUT WHEN YOU ARE IN YOUR LATE SEVENTIES
AND EARLY EIGHTIES IT IS ROUGH. THANK YOU THANK YOU. HAVING
POWER LAST NIGHT WAS WONDERFUL. NO FLOODED BASEMENT, FURNACE
AND WATER SYSTEM THAT WORKS. BEST OF ALL WAS THE HOT SHOWER
WE TOOK. WE KNOW THAT YOUR FAMILIES MISSED YOU BUT THEY SHOULD
KNOW THEY HAVE A HERO THAT COULD HAVE STAYED HOME

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