



Russell Jennings and Sally Higgins were busy plating up the main course for the Onslow-Belmont Fire Brigade annual Steak & Lobster Party held on May 30th. (Harrington Photo)



Bill and Val McKinnon sample some of the delicious salads at the Onslow-Belmont Fire Brigade annual members night Steak & Lobster Party. (Harrington Photo)



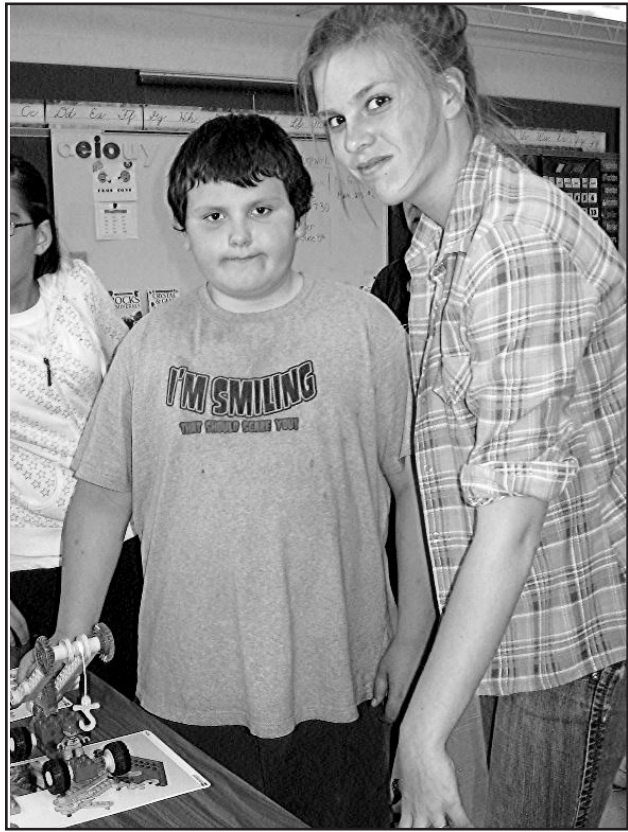
The Onslow-Belmont Fire Brigade held their annual Steak & Lobster Party on May 30th at the fire hall. Regular, retired and honorary members along with invited guests came together for the social evening. (Harrington Photo)



Great Village Elementary students enjoyed Field Day activities on a sunny June 15th. A game of soccer was one of the afternoon events. (Harrington Photo)



Anna MacFarlane and Victoria Sheepwash (front left and right) were pleased to show their parents their Social Studies projects during Showcase Night held at West Colchester Consolidated School on June 3rd. Victoria Sheepwash (left) and Leo Sheepwash (right) enjoyed the tour of the students classrooms and the opportunity to view special projects. (Harrington Photo)



Grade Four student Greg Palmer demonstrated classroom work on simple machines to his sister Robyn Palmer during the Showcase Night at WCCS in Bass River on June 3rd. (Harrington Photo)

## Bass River Fire Brigade News

By Peter Christensen

Happy Canada Day folks. Fireman Pete here with news of the upcoming Canada Day celebrations.

All festivities are being held at the Heritage Museum. All the fun starts at 11 a.m. There will be lots of fun for all ages. For the kids at heart we will have an old favourite, the DUNK TANK, along with Fifty-Fifty Bingo. A game of precision for all kids will be the Fire Hose Knockdown. It will be loads of fun and laughs.

The neatest thing I believe will be the Box Social Auction. The theory is to bring a lunch in a box or a bag, of whatever you want, then it will be auctioned off, without anyone knowing who made the lunch. Then the winning bidder gets to have lunch with the maker of the lunch that was just bought. The more mature folks of the community have reminisced about the Socials they went to in their

youth. It will be a hoot at dinner on July the first.

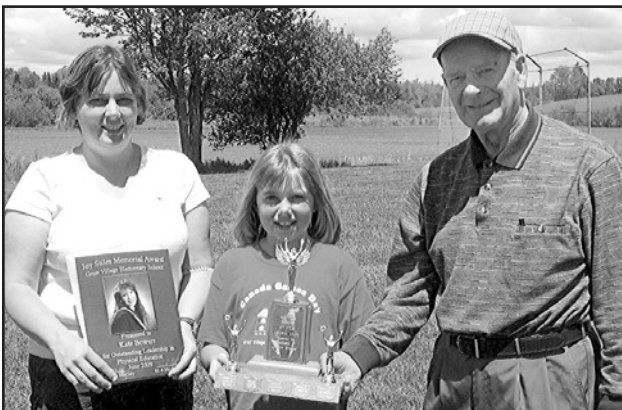
We also have more fun for the kids with face painters, tattoos, snow cones, and lots of great fun.

And there is great music, as well. Karl and Bill and Mike are going to grace the stage, as well as the younger boys from W.C.C.S and more guests as well. It will be a great day in Bass River. Hope to see you all on Canada Day.

We are still raising funds toward our purchase of a watercraft for rescues along our shore.

Hopefully some funding will become available in the near future, but for now we continue to work on our fundraisers.

Now that the summer vacations are coming up, I would remind everyone to drive safely on our highways and byways, and be careful during your trips out at the yard sales.



Suzanne Hicks-McCully(left) presents Grade Four student Kate Bowers with the Great Village Elementary Joy Stiles Memorial Award for Leadership in Physical Education. Joy's father Doug Stiles(right) was at the school for the presentation. (Harrington Photo)

All the trucks are doing well at the hall, and since all this rain, well the trucks are happy cause it is nice and wet for a while.

The Fishing derby was a great day for sure. The day was perfect for fishing and we had some great food as well. After all was done the longest fish was caught by Gilbert Lewis, with a length of 18 and 3/8 inches.

Second prize went to Matthew McBurnie with a fish that was 18 and 1/4 inches.

Third prize went to Lent Mc Mullen with a fish of 18 and 1/8 inches in length. Congrats to all, and see you next year.

Well I must be going to the Hall. Happy Canada Day, now go celebrate, think responsibly. Fireman Pete saying, clean your Flue!

## Bass River Heritage News

By Denise Gilley

It's been a couple of months since I've written any Heritage News and I must start off with a thank-you. Our annual Ditch Sweep was held on the 9th of May and it went very smoothly. We got the main ditches (and some side ones) cleaned out and it was done in record time. Thanks to all who volunteered their time and energy and everyone who cleaned their own ditches as well.

The museum is looking great again this year. It's been cleaned, dusted, shined and polished. Marlee Leslie has been hired so far this year and she's had the museum open for a few weeks now. In recent years, "stay-cations" are becoming ever popular. In order to save money and conserve

energy people are encouraged to utilize their local resources and take advantage of regional culture and history. A visit to the museum, a picnic lunch and a walk on a local beach would make for a great summer outing.

Plans are underway for Heritage Day, Sat, Aug 1. We hope to see the antique engines, tractors and cars all shined up. There will be the

usual bake sale, yard sale and BBQ.

Finally, a big thank-you goes out to all of those who donated and continue to donate refundables to the museum. A little time and effort to sort, count and remove caps and it's a great fundraiser. Thanks so much!

Our next meeting will be July 13 @ 6:30 @ the museum.



Volunteers are appreciated at West Colchester Consolidated and a special night was held in their honor on June 3rd. Musical entertainment was provided by a talented group of students. Back left to right-Tristen Doucette, Emily McLaughlin, David Cooper, Ian MacFarlane, and Deanna Stevens; Front left to right- Hillary Cox, Haley Eagles, Megan Dowe, Laura Sharpe and Madison Rushton. (Harrington Photo)

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