



Several members of the Great Village Shotokan Tigers received new higher belts on March 22nd. Front (l to r)- Vicki McLean, Madison Forbes, Karri Wilson, Ian Forbes- 1st purple, Fred Beazley- green, Alison Faber- 2nd purple, April Sharpe- green, Kaelyn Beazley- orange; Back (l to r)- Alison McLean, Peter Steele, Jeff Maluski- 3rd brown, Chris Vincent, Scott Faber- 2nd purple, Quintin Gable- 2nd brown. Missing from photo was Daniel Faber- 2nd purple. (Harrington Photo)



Several members of the Great Village Shotokan Tigers received new lower belts on March 22nd. Front (left to right)- Bradley Cromwell, Breton Phillips- yellow, Rory Phillips- yellow, Colby Doucette, Brandon Doucette, ColesWorks- yellow, Morgan Works- yellow, Tyler Doucette, Chantel Newman- yellow, Damian Howell- yellow; Back (l to r)- Sensel Mark McNutt, Bella Harrington- yellow, Morghan McCormack- yellow, Carrie Blair, Craig Blair, Chris Keating- yellow, Ryan Newman- yellow, Brooklyn Jordan- yellow, Charlie Teed- yellow, Jenna Betts- yellow, Allison Richardson-yellow. (Harrington Photo)

Bass River Notes

By Joyce Starratt

Hi folks. We are having some lovely sunny days at last, aren't we? We'll enjoy them while they last. I'm gals the ice is gone. It seems like I was stuck in the house the most of February.

I wonder how the Beaver family in River John are making out. It's a good thing they picked people to where so thoughtful and kind. It's so nice to know there are still some

kind people around. You turn on for the news and the first thing you hear is someone has killed someone. I wish they would give an update on the Beavers.

Two young guys, who tapped my maple trees brought me a jar of the syrup they had made. I was so pleased. Thanks Ian and Brandon.

Margie Taggart is home from the hospital and Holly Grue is enrolled in Rehab and comes



William B. Fairbanks speaks to the Cumberland County Genealogical Society on March 20. (Lawrence Nicoll photo)

Finding Your way around Court Records

By Lawrence Nicoll

CCGS (Cumberland County Genealogical Society) had the wonderful opportunity to hear a presentation by William Fairbanks on "Finding Your way around Court Records" on Tues night, Mar 20th.

He gave us a better understanding about records such as will books, probate records, land transfers and other records. He clarified why older records lacked the clarity of more recent records, and reminded us that original

records were still the best way to ensure the record was as intended, as copies may have errors in them.

It was a very informative and interesting session.

William B. Fairbanks was born in Springhill, attended High School in Springhill, obtained Bachelor Degree in History at MTA. He received his law degree from UNB going on to be Registrar of Probate for a number of years in Amherst. He now manages his own law firm, Fairbanks Law Office in Amherst.

home on the weekends, even though she is still in a wheelchair.

Betty Creelman is home doing fine and Leonard Rutherford is in hospital. We wish both of them a speedy recovery.

Andrew and Doug spend the weekend a the "carriage house". I'm always glad when they come up. They are great company.

I have some snow drops

coming up, although not fully in bloom, but the buds are about to burst. It gives you a lift when you see things starting to grow again.

I'm sorry to say, this will be my last report. I've enjoyed doing it for so many years.

(Editor's note: We will certainly miss Joyce's regular contribution. She has done a great job reporting on the social tid-bits from the Bass River area for so many years).

MacCaull Villa Notes

By Hazel Hill

The lounge was tastefully decorated for St Patrick's Day and was celebrated by having a nice lunch at noon. The only birthday for March was Wyman Little's and on Sunday, March 11th everyone enjoyed a piece of his birthday cake and ice-cream.

Art Muise, a former resident of Great Village and a volunteer fire fighter who underwent heart surgery a few weeks ago is recovering at his home in Truro. Art is well known to us at the Villa as he was very active in the fire department and was always

one of the first responders to any emergency here. We hope you will soon be out and about.

Diane Millen fell some weeks ago and broke her ankle. Her mother, Shirley Ryan has been helping her and she is improving so that Shirley does not need to go as often.

My granddaughter, Gelisa Dennis graduated from Holland College on March 2nd and is now taking courses at Burnside. Her mother, Margaret Dennis and Betty Hill spent a week's vacation in Florida during March break.

Village Follies Dinner Theatre Hitting the Stage in May

By Linda Harrington

Needing a getaway this spring? Join the Village Follies cast as they take you to an "Island in the Sun", with their latest Dinner Theatre production written by Shannon Fielding.

Tickets are now on sale at the Debert Hospitality Centre for the following shows: Friday, May 4th at 7pm; Saturday, May 5th at 7:00pm; Sunday, May 6th at 4:00pm; Thursday, May 10th at 7pm; Friday, May 11th at 7pm and Saturday, May 12th at 7:00pm.

Village Follies will be serving up a three course meal with lots of laughs! Tickets are \$35.00 each and this includes a choice of chicken or salmon entré. The Debert Hospital Centre is located at 130 Ventura Drive, phone 662-4074.



Village Follies cast rehearse on their temporary stage for the upcoming dinner theatre performance of "Island in the Sun". Tickets are now on sale. Performances are the first two weekends in May at the Debert Hospitality Centre. (Harrington Photo)

Debert Community Breakfast April 21

What is being billed as the "best community breakfast in the world" will be held at the Debert Fire Hall on April 21 for everyone in the community. The purpose of the breakfast is to get fed and have fun, socialize with folks in your area: Debert,

Masstown, Belmont, Great Village, Glenholme and all places in between. There will be a free will offering to help kids in our neighbourhood. That means you can pay as little as a buck if you are broke or 20 bucks if you're a rich feller or just

wanna help kids grow up safe and strong.

100 percent of the money raised will support our Christian based after school program at the Debert Baptist Church, run by Aaron and Sherri Stevenson.

New Roof needed on Masstown Church

By Chris Urquhart

The Masstown United Church needs a new roof. The Masstown United Church would like to thank everyone who helped out in any way with our recent St. Patrick's Day Pot Luck Supper. We raised \$800.00 towards our roof repairs.

We need \$20,000.00 to replace all the shingles so we have a ways to go. We have raised about \$10,000.00 so far so we are about half way there. Anyone who wishes to donate to our Church Roof Fund please call our treasurer Betty Yorston 662-4120. Tax receipts are available upon request.

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