



Marie Eaton held her annual sale of beautifully crafted pottery on Nov. 10th at the King George Lodge, Debert. There was a steady stream of visitors picking out their favorite piece, some adding to their existing collections. Marie has her own kiln and enjoys making what she calls "functional stoneware", eye catching pieces that can be used in the oven or microwave and are dishwasher safe. (Harrington photo)



Members of the Debert & Area Garden Club recently held their first ever "Tastes of Home" Bake Sale. This was held in conjunction with Marie Eaton's Annual Pottery Sale. Everyone went home with lots of baked goodies and unique pottery pieces. We hope to make this an annual event. Pictured l/r are Club members: Goldie Chisholm, Joan Slack and Jeannie McCully. Thank you to everyone for their support. (Lynn Strong Photo)



The Debert Garden Club hosted a "Tastes of Home" Bake Sale on Nov. 10th at the King George Lodge, Debert. From fudge to apple pie, it all looked delicious. (Harrington Photo)

Onslow Belmont Notes

By Debbie Weatherby
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Services are held every Sunday at the Trinity United Church in Onslow at 10:00 a.m. Trinity is at the corner of Meeting House Road and Onslow Road. All are welcome to attend and we hope to see you there. There will be a Christmas Carol Sing at 7:00 pm on December 8th and a Christmas Eve Family service on December 24th at 7:00 p.m. Belmont Baptist Church

services are held every Sunday at 11:00 am with Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. Prayer meeting is held Wednesday evenings at 7:00 p.m.

My sister and a friend of mine tried Yoga the other week at the community center in Onslow where it is held every Wed. evening from 6 to 7 and then from 7:30 to 8:30. Classes are also scheduled on Fridays from 12:30-1:30. Am thinking if this old body holds out should be quite beneficial for me.

Open night on Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. Cards are held on Monday evenings beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Condolences go out to the families of Constance Helen "Connie" MacPhee who passed away on Oct. 31, 2012; to Stacey (Randy) Culgin of Belmont and the families on the loss of her mother Myrna Louise McCully on Oct. 22, 2012 and Kim (Richard) Keizer and the families on the loss of her Grandmother Gladys Evelyn Whidden on Nov. 2, 2012.

It is hard to believe that Christmas is so close, just seems like a few short months ago Santa had arrived for the little kiddies, and the big ones to of course. Then it will be New Years and 2013 will be upon us.

The time is sure flying by. Here is to everyone having a wonderful Christmas and hopefully not eating too much and enjoying the holiday with your family and friends. Please be careful out there if you attend any parties.

Until next time take care.

Debert Elementary School Notes

By Erma Cox, Principal

I thought we had reached the time of year when the weather outside was frightful but that certainly has not been the case here in Debert. Students continue to enjoy soccer on the field and are playing "four square" every day at lunch and recess. The students inside are more than delightful as we approach the month of December. I guess everyone wants to stay off the naughty list this year which is wonderful. Students and staff have been working on reconfiguring our expectations into a PEBS matrix. The PEBS team has also started a gallery inside the school where the works of students is displayed throughout the upstairs halls for all to see. We are proud of the work students have done and want them to have the opportunity to take pride in their successes by showcasing the many and various talents.

The grade two class has been studying about schools in days bygone. As part of their investigation they have accumulated numerous articles to create their own school museum within the classroom. On display in the classroom are school bells, washboards, old readers and story books, a slate, a wooden desk, and many pictures of schools and classes through the years. The students also interviewed people to find out about their favorite teachers and asked questions about what their school

looked like and who their favorite teacher was and why. This has proven to be a great learning experience for our leaders of tomorrow. Special thanks to Mrs. MacPherson for engaging our children in this real life experience.

We were happy to host both the Great Village and Chiganois students for a presentation by Cyber Cop on being safe on the computer. Special thanks to the Truro Police for allowing us to host this presentation and for helping our students to be safe users of the internet and learning techniques to combat cyberbullying. We hope that this and future work done within the school and community will continue to make us feel safe and valued.

We are thrilled to have our library up and running again. Nellie Rhuland and Tina Fisher attended a workshop with Jolene Shaw at Hamony Heights earlier this month to learn about using the Horizon system for signing out books. Students visit the library manned by these two volunteers every Tuesday and sign books out for the week. We have a student collect the books each Monday and return them to the library so they are ready for reshelving. It is unfortunate that the library services were cut but we are grateful for the efforts put in by our community to ensure the books are still available to students.

Our youth basketball group enjoyed a "road trip"

to Bass River last week where students were intermingled to create an evening of fun on the court. We would like to publicly acknowledge the efforts of WCCS teacher, Laurel Conrad, in organizing this opportunity for students to collaborate. Talk on the playground the next day would indicate that it was enjoyed by all.

Grade Six students hosted the Remembrance Day service here at school. Students interviewed past and present serving members of the Canadian Armed Forces throughout the month. Using knowledge they learned from these members they created a Powerpoint that was presented as part of the assembly. Students also read poems and put on a class performance of John McCrae's poem "In Flanders Fields". All students as well as some members of the community came to witness this event.

Students from the learning center are preparing for the annual Holiday Shopping Blitz. Ms Langille is accepting donations of any sort that can be used for this activity. For those of you new to the Debert area, this is an opportunity for students to buy an item for each member of their family. All "presents" are wrapped and tagged before leaving the school so the child has a gift for each member of their family that is chosen by them. Items are sold

for five cents to a dollar and the students working the sale learn some valuable skills in making change, tabulating total amount spent and creating a positive shopping climate. We hope these skills are transferred into their own life experiences for years to come. The money raised at this sale is used to purchase additional materials for the learning center. If you have items that you would like to donate please call the school and ask to speak with Ms. Langille or drop the "goodies" off in the office with Mrs. Green.

With the holiday season soon upon us we are also participating in a wreath sale. Students are taking orders until November 23rd and we will have the wreaths ready for decorating your home the first week of December. In an effort to support our local business men and women we are working in collaboration with the Robinson family in Masstown this year.

Students are busy preparing for the school concert on December 13th. We hope you can join us that evening where students will once again showcase the musical talents they have acquired.

Report cards will be going home on Monday November 26th. Parent teacher interviews will be held Thursday evening, November 29th, 6:30-8PM and Friday morning November 30th from 9AM until noon.




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