

## Anne Rose Siscoe Celebrates Her 100<sup>TH</sup>



Anne Rose Siscoe celebrated her 100th birthday with family and friends. Shown (l to r) are daughter Yvonne, son Victor, daughter Pauline, Anne Rose Siscoe, and daughter Marie. (Hope Bridgewater Photo)

By Hope Bridgewater

Anne Rose Siscoe recently celebrated her 100th birthday in Wentworth surrounded by family and friends. Anne Rose was born Anne Rose Saulnier on December 9, 1912, at Sluice Point, Nova Scotia. She married Lawrence Siscoe on August 14, 1936, in Yarmouth, Nova Scotia. Five children followed: Pauline, Yvonne, Victor, Marie, and Michael. At present there are now 13 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Anne Rose and her daugh-

ter Marie are both residents of Wentworth, daughters Pauline and Yvonne are residents of Montreal, Victor is a resident of Middleboro, Nova Scotia, and Michael resides in Quebec. All of Anne Roses' children attended the celebration except for Michael who could not attend. The grandchildren able to attend were Gerry and Viki Duranceau, son and daughter-in-law of Marie Duranceau. Other grandchildren present were Vicki Siscoe Murray (with

husband Alan Murray) and Mark Siscoe (with wife Shawna). Great-grandchildren attending were Paige and Zoe Duranceau, daughters of Gerry and Viki Duranceau, and Hannah and Isaac Siscoe, daughter and son of Mark and Shawna Siscoe. Marie's husband Evan also attended.

The special letters of congratulation from politicians and leaders were especially important and they came from the following people: Prime Minister Stephen Harper, MP Scott Armstrong, Governor General David Johnston, Lieutenant Governor J.J. Grant, and Premier Darryl Dexter. Of importance as well were the flowers from Archbishop Anthony Mancini of Halifax and Yarmouth.

Community invited members present were Rev. Brian DeLong, Florence Harnish, Ella Patriquin, Betty Curry, Greg Bridgewater, Hope Bridgewater, Mary Anne Jay, Twila McMaster, Ethel Gilroy, Ida Murray, Eleanor Sprague, Vernon Sprague, Betty Duizer, Garth Wilson, and Martha Wilson.

## Making Something Out Of Nothing

By Kathy Simpson-Giles

There is a new craft group in Great Village. We started last Friday night and we are called "Making Something out of Nothing". It is an idea that I would like to share with you.

The idea came to me as I listened to people who were really beginning to panic over "the cost of Christmas". It is a problem that many people seem to have today. Not me!

In my family, Christmas originated with the birth of a baby about 2000 years, and within my family circle, it is a time of getting together and celebrating. We share meals and recipes and good times visiting and there is no stress about the cost of Christmas because the gifting is homemade and from the heart.

It is the homemade part that I hope to share. Last week, each member was asked two questions: "What do you want to learn first?" and "What skills do you have that you would like to share?"

As it turned out, the popular vote picked learning to knit and crochet first. That made next months' topics easy. I also hope to have a craft that costs almost nothing at each meeting.

Other topics suggested included macramé, quilting and leather work. If you have another request, bring it with you to the next meeting. We hope to cover them all before we are done. We intend to share patterns, supplies, tools and ideas to keep everyone's costs down.

We ended our evening by making a gift from ingredients that most people have in their kitchen. Everyone went home with a jar of relaxing bath salts in a stocking stuffer size.

The group meets at the Great Village Fire Hall, upstairs in the meeting room at 7 pm. The next evening will be Friday, February 22. Bring your needles, hooks, spare yarn and ideas.

If you would like to borrow a set of needles or a hook, please send me a quick email so I can bring extras. I guess that makes it a "try before you buy" night. (I'm all about keeping costs down).

The email address is msoon2013@yahoo.ca.

There is no cost and if you would care to join us, either as a student or a teacher (or both), we would love to see you there.

## I Heard It At The Company Store

By Wendy Cox

Do you know what I heard....

I heard Ernie and Joyce celebrated their 57th Anniversary in January... congratulations to you both and to anyone else who may be celebrating a milestone. A speedy recovery goes out to anyone who has been sick with the cold or flu or is in hospital. Our condolences go to the families of the late Ted Fulton, Ida Cameron and Hazel Carde Forrest.

Brrr...it has been a cold couple of weeks....but just think its February and we are halfway there. Before we know it we will be complaining about the mosquitoes and blackflies. But in the meantime as true Maritimers, we will talk and complain about the cold weather and snow but in truth we all know that there is no other place that we would want to live.

Just think about all the germs this cold weather is killing off and we don't have to worry about malaria or those other nasty tropic diseases.

To get us through the winter months there are some activities along the shore that we can participate in, if we so choose. There is the gym at the Economy Rec. Center that

is open Mon, Wed and Fridays 9:30-10:30 and 7-8 evenings. The gym equipment has been donated by various members of the community. A big thank you goes out to these folks. Everyone's welcome. Shuffleboard is on Tues nights at 7 and Bingo every Thurs evening. Or get your sneakers on and go to the Bass River gym on Monday evening 6:30-8:30 and enjoy the Lets Get Moving.

With this cool weather the outside rinks should be ready and the coasting hills should be good to go. Anyone who likes winter is lucky to live along this shore with the activities that are available this time of year. Ski Wentworth is close or just put on some cross country skis or snowshoes (I think you can borrow some of these from the county recreation office). If you have a snowmobile we are close to some amazing trails on the Cobequid Mountains. Enjoy where we live and take part if you can.

The annual Sutherlands Lake snowmobile races are slated for February 9th. Those who want some fresh air and enjoy the feel of a winter day out would enjoy this. Or, if you like yard sales go to Bass River on Feb. 16th to WCCS for an indoor yard sale with

the proceeds going to the student Ottawa trip. Call the school if you would like to have your own table at their sale.

If you are looking for a hot meal to enjoy on a winter Saturday outing, try out the many luncheons and suppers along the shore. Won't be long before the maple syrup people are out getting their trees tapped and lines run (hurry up Alfred I am out of syrup) and we can look forward to some pancakes and maple syrup lunches.

Want a bit of entertainment there is always the music jam in Onslow on Thursday evenings I hear they have good entertainment. A few local talents participate in this. I hear that you can sing pretty good Ernie. There is an Open Mic, on February 9th 7pm at the Five Islands Fire Hall. Anyone wanting to show off their talent whether it be singing, dancing, playing an instrument or doing a skit can participate. This will practice you up for the Variety Concert March 2nd at the Economy Rec Center at 7pm.

Remember I heard this at the Company Store and if you want to see it here let me know and remember to play safe.

## "Invisible Prisons" will Bring Powerful Message To Stage

By Linda Harrington

Joy Laking is well known for her artistic talents but she has replaced brush and canvas with a pen and paper and explored her creative writing abilities within a play called "Invisible Prisons".

Joy became involved in what she calls a "fascinating project" where she had the opportunity to interview 35 people from the local area that had experienced domestic abuse. She took these powerful firsthand accounts from women, men and children and extracted fourteen monologues.

After receiving overwhelming feedback when three of the monologues were presented at a Women's Motivational Luncheon, Joy realized this was a project that must be shared. "Recognition of abuse is the first step in getting a key to escape the prison of abuse," she says. "We are hopeful that this play will encourage people in our society to speak out against abuse, and that those living in abusive situations will be aware that there are options available to them."

Joy has been a member of the Board of the Victims of Family Violence in Truro and says she is passionate about "Invisible Prisons" because of her experiences with the Board and her personal experiences of living with abuse.

"We must get talking about this and make it unacceptable," says Joy, who intends to make a professional video of the play and post it on a website, freely available to all high schools, universities, community groups and police departments.

Lenore Zann has volunteered to produce the "Invisible Prison", cast from the local Truro Theatre Society. Renowned director and playwright, Bryden MacDonald will help revise the script and has been hired to direct the cast for two weeks.

**"Invisible Prisons" will premiere at the Truro Marigold Centre on March 8th, International Women's Day, followed by a second performance on Mar. 9th. Tickets will be \$15 each.**

## March 1 Start for Home Hardware Expansion

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Dealer-Owners of close to 1,100 Home Hardware stores across Canada, we congratulate the Eastern Distribution Centre on these exciting developments and look forward to continuing to support them during this period of growth."

The date for construction to begin on the extended facility is tentatively set for March 1, 2013. A ground breaking ceremony will be announced closer to that date to mark the special occasion.

The eastern distribution centre has been a major employer in the Debert area for many years. In addition to the staff who work within the centre, it's presence in Colchester County has been

an important economic generator on the transportation sector, with hundreds of trucks required to bring inventory to the centre and then to deliver to retail locations throughout the eastern region.

With nearly 50 years since its founding in 1964, Home Hardware has grown significantly. It is 100% Canadian owned and operated, Home Hardware Stores Limited with presence in every Canadian province and territory and is the country's largest independent, Dealer-owned hardware, lumber, building materials and furniture cooperative.

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erative now includes close to 1,100 stores, under the Home Hardware, Home Building Centre, Home Hardware Building Centre and Home Furniture banners, with annual collective retail sales of more than \$5 billion.

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Along the Shore

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Submit a Wellness Application (Application and information available at [www.cehha.nshealth.ca/chb/Grants.htm](http://www.cehha.nshealth.ca/chb/Grants.htm))

Do you want to become involved in your community? Why not consider becoming a community health board (CHB) member? All welcome to apply!

Your contribution will be valuable to your community, yourself and to the local health system!

For more information visit [www.cehha.nshealth.ca/chb](http://www.cehha.nshealth.ca/chb) or contact:

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