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The Thirsty Church has been a dominating story in our area in the past month and considerable congratulations and thanks must be extended to Amanda Langille and her extended family of supporters who have taken the idea of putting some much need work into the Londonderry Station Community Church.



The Aviva Community Fund competition is being held in three phases: 1) Idea Entry, 2) Semi-Finals and 3) Judging. Stages 1 and 2 have involved internet voting and the participation of thousands of idea supporters. Success here has put the Thirsty Church idea forward to the final stage. Nine competition judges will now evaluate each of the 25 remaining entries to determine which projects will result in the greatest positive change.

The Shoreline Journal encourages our readers to learn more of the competition by visiting the Aviva Community Fund web-site at www.avivacommunityfund.org.

Below, we would like to introduce three of the nine community minded judges that will endeavour to conclude their judging January 25, 2009.

Michael 'Pinball' Clemons

Born and raised in Florida, Clemons was drafted by the NFL's Kansas City Chiefs and saw action with both the Chiefs and the Tampa Bay Buccaneers before going on to a brilliant CFL career playing with the Toronto Argonauts. In 2004, as Toronto's coach, Clemons led the team to its first Grey Cup victory since 1997.



Known for a personality that is as electric as his style of play on the field, Clemons redefines the meaning of community involvement and has been recognized by many organizations for his tireless work with charities, schools and other community groups.

Whether in uniform, on the sidelines, or in the front office, Pinball has always been one of Toronto's favourite personalities. Clemons, who has made application to become a Canadian citizen, and his wife Diane, along with their treasured daughters, Rachel, Raven, and Rylie, are proud to call Oakville home.

Tina Daenzer

Tina Daenzer started at Canada AM in 2000 as a story producer and in 2004 was promoted to Senior Entertainment Producer. During her time at Canada AM, she has overseen some of the biggest productions of Canada's most popular network morning program. Tina created and produced the Canada AM Community Challenge - involving hundreds of communities across the country giving them the ability to share their spirit with the rest of the country. She has also produced Canada's favourite weather man, Jeff Hutcheson taking him across Canada and around the world.



She has put together many of the major concert events on Canada AM with guests such as Tina Turner, Shania Twain, Diana Krall and Keith Urban.

Ben Mulroney

Ben Mulroney considers himself a pretty lucky guy. "I love movies, television and music, so as the host of a daily entertainment show, I can say this is my dream job."



As host of eTalk, Mulroney delivers entertainment news from the studio in Toronto, but also travels the world to interview the biggest stars and reports from the hottest red carpet events, including the Oscars, Golden Globes and the JUNO Awards. A veteran of entertainment reporting, Mulroney is an expert in his industry and is regarded by many Hollywood stars (north and south of the border) as a friendly face, a respected journalist and a pro at his job.

Mulroney got his start as the Quebec City correspondent for talktv's The chatroom, where he beamed in weekly via Web cam to rant and rave about television. He became a co-host on the interactive show in July 2001. He then moved to a new role of entertainment reporter for CTV's Canada AM in October 2001.

Off-camera, Mulroney is the National Ambassador for UNICEF Canada. Mulroney also hosted the six seasons of the astoundingly successful Canadian Idol on CTV.

Bios courtesy Aviva - www.avivacommunityfund.org/pages/judges

Angel Tree Offers A Moment to Remember

By Linda Harrington

The Christmas holidays are filled with happy memories of times shared with families and friends, but when a loved one passes on, the holidays can become more difficult as we remember someone is missing. The Angels Remembered Tree provides a way for people to recognize this special someone, who has

made a difference in their life.

Elva Geldart, and her granddaughter Alisha Johnson, were the first to hang an angel on the tree located at the Masstown Market. Their angel was in memory of Elva's husband, Howard Geldart, who passed away on Oct. 13th. Elva says she was very grateful for the support she received from the Colchester East

Hants Hospice Society and Palliative Care Programs. "It made life bearable," she says. "We were able to have Howard at home until he passed away."

Four trees are on display throughout Colchester County. Locations include the Masstown Market, Truro Mall, Foodland in Tatamagouche and the Elmsdale Resource

Centre.

The trees are staffed by a group of dedicated volunteers. At the Masstown Market, the Angels Remembered Tree, is located right inside the main entrance. Volunteers Meredith Lewis and Judy Lewis were just starting to set up their station, when visitors approached and wanted to give donations to this worthy cause. This is the 4th year an Angels Remembered Tree has been located at the Masstown Market.

The donations collected at the Angels Remembered Trees are used to support Hospice programs right here in Colchester County. The Colchester East Hants Hospice Society provides care and support to families facing end of life, through programs such as Volunteer Visiting, Food from the Heart, Practical Support, Hospice Wishes and Grief Support Services. They support the work of the District Palliative Care Program and are often alerted to special needs of individual families through the Palliative Care Program.

Take a moment to stop by an Angels Remembered Tree, on display throughout the Christmas season.

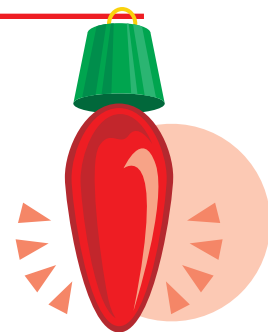


People are encouraged to stop by the trees and fill out a card in memory of their loved ones. The cards are attached to delicate little angels, some hand crocheted by volunteers, and then hung on the tree. Donations are welcomed but not necessary.



First recorded in Nova Scotia in 1977, the Eastern Coyote is the newest large mammal resident and is now widespread across the province of Nova Scotia.

People out in the wilderness should be aware of their surroundings at all times. Other options include making noise, travelling in pairs or groups, and carrying hiking sticks. If you encounter a coyote, stop and slowly leave the area in the direction from which you came. Never run from a coyote as it may trigger a predatory response and chase. (Harrington Photo)



May the very best of this festive season fill your home and family with love and peace.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from all of us to all of you.

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