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December 24: The Christmas Eve service will be held at Masstown United at 7pm and the Sunday School children are taking part in the service. Come early to be sure of a seat.

January 2: DGM Men's Club will hold their Breakfast meeting 8:00 am at the Double C Restaurant. All men welcome.

January 5: Karate Every Tuesday and Thursday Great Village Elementary School Gym, 7-8:30. If school is cancelled due to weather activities will be as well.

January 6: Yoga Every Monday and Wednesday Great Village Elementary School Gym, 6:30-7:30. If school is cancelled due to weather activities will be as well.

January 6: Aerobics Every Monday and Wednesday Great Village Elementary School Gym, 7:30-8:30. If school is cancelled due to weather activities will be as well.

January 6: Great Village Historical Society next meeting, at 1:30 p.m. in the Legion Hall, is scheduled as a work event to assess materials.

January 7: Badminton Great Village Elementary School Gym, Every Thursday, 5:30-6:30. If school is cancelled due to weather activities will be as well.

January 9: The Masstown Steward's and Trustees will hold a Refundable Drive on Saturday January 9th, weather permitting. If the weather is bad listen to your radio for a change of date. You

can leave your refundables at the Church, call for pick-up or just put them out on Saturday morning and we will come and get them. If you have too many to drag to the end of your driveway please call either Kay 662-2140 or Chris 662-3550 and we will make sure that some one comes right to your door to get them.

January 16: Melt Down weight loss group registration, 9am-11am. Great Village Community Centre. \$20 per person or \$30 if you bring your partner.

January 16: HEALTH EXPO, 9:00am - 4:00pm Admission: \$5.00 Sponsored by WellWithin Chiropractic Clinic. Holiday Inn, Truro, NS. Check out the web site: www.wellwithin-healthexpo.com

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January 19: Melt Down Registration - Great Village Community Centre, 5:30-7pm. \$20 per person or \$30 if you bring your partner.

January 21: 2010 Truro Chamber of Commerce - Kick-Off Event. Marigold Cultural Centre, 605 Prince St. Representatives from Member Services will be on hand to answer questions - See the value in your Membership! Watch for details on our website www.trurochamber.com (no hyphen)

January 23: Gospel Coffee House, 7-9PM, Bass River Baptist Church, Refreshments served, Free will offering, Wheel Chair Accessible

January 26: Great Village Garden Club monthly meeting 7:30 at Faith

Baptist Church.

January 30: Are you still looking for a gift for that person that as everything?

Why not buy them a ticket to a Rosalee Peppard concert, she will be performing at the Great Village Legion 7pm. Tickets \$10 each contact Heather Mackay. Limited seating so call early.

January 30: Family Literacy Day Event Sponsored by the Great Village Community Assoc., 10am-3 pm. Mr J the Magician will be performing, peer reading and autographs by the Bear Cats, followed by Mad Science Maritimes showing us dry ice experiments.

Our own Rosalee Peppard will be entertaining to close the day. We are hoping to have some surprise guests join

us that will be posted later. This is a FREE event so come out of the cold and join us. Funded by Along the Shore Health Board

February 9: Truro UCW Presbyterian will be holding their Annual Meeting on February 9th at First United Church in Truro. Registration is between 9:30 a.m. and 10 a.m. Program will include a memorial service to past members.

If your unit has lost someone in the past year please be sure to let Noreen Stark know - 895-1257 or email: ginger@ns.sympatico.ca

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Masstown Community News

By Chris Urquhart

Christmas is just around the corner and most of the homes in our community are all lit up with Christmas lights and decorations. Our Church also has lights on it this year, and looks wonderful! Thanks to Kay Maxwell and Keith Baas for making sure that the lights are up and working. The inside of the Church is also decorated and is a credit to all those who worked so hard to make it so. Included in these I wish to thank Irene Gratto, Marina Fisher, Sheila Fisher, Rosemary Baas, Brenda Carrigan, Tracy Carrigan, Marg Gatzka and Joy Reid for all their hard work. I am sure I am forgetting someone so thank you also!

I so enjoy driving around our community and seeing the lights. Such a homey feeling of contentment and peace comes over me, knowing that I live in a community that is celebrating the birth of Jesus Christ. I see Christmas trees in windows, wreaths on doors, and candles a plenty. The words "Merry Christmas" almost ring out to me as I pass

your homes. Thank you for the warmth which is shared by all in this great place.

We had our Christmas Tree Lighting at the Park and it was a wonderful night! We had a great crowd, Santa arrived and turned on the lights as well as passing out candy canes, and there was a bon fire and hot chocolate. I wish to thank Eldred and Betty Olmstead for the donation of our Christmas Tree and Ev Jenex for the use of her power, as well as the members of our Masstown Community Association for all their help.

The UCW Christmas Luncheon and Sale was fun this year. Thanks to Paula Weatherby for doing the face painting and Paula Digout for the cookie decorating. Also, thanks to our great UCW cooks for the tasty luncheon of homemade soups and desserts; and to everyone who donated to our bake table and used books table. The winner of the door prize basket was Judy Lewis of Bass River.

The Christmas Eve service will be held at Masstown United at 7pm and the Sunday

School children are taking part in the service. Come early to be sure of a seat.

Church services are as follows: always 9am at Erskine United, Glenholme, except for January 24th in Debert which will be one service on the charge, starting at 9am, with annual meetings and lunch to follow; with rotating services between Masstown and Debert at 10:15am. Sunday December 27th will be Debert and there is no Sunday School this week only. January 3 - Masstown, January 10 - Debert, January 17 - Masstown, January 24 - Debert (Annual Meetings Sunday) and January 31 - Masstown.

The DGM Men's Club will hold their Breakfast meeting January 2nd, 8am at the Double C Restaurant. All men welcome.

Masstown UCW will meet on January 7th at 2pm at the Church. Please note the change in time. We are going to meet in the afternoons for the winter months of January, February and March, going back to our evening meetings for April. We invite all ladies in our community to join us at these meetings.

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A few travelers this month: Cara Murray was at a conference in Winnipeg and Marion Farrugia from Toronto visited briefly with Ron and Chris Urquhart.

Congratulations go out this month to Clint and Kerrie Verheul on the birth of their daughter Lila Grace Verheul who is a granddaughter for Claudia Putnam; and to Craig and Laura Lamont on the birth of their daughter Peyton Lamont who is a granddaughter for

Phillip and Ann Barley and a great-granddaughter for Jack and Mary Barley.

Condolences go out this month to Mary Teed on the death of her mother Shirley

Bonnell; and to Verna Gamble on the death of her husband Walter Gamble.

Merry Christmas to all our readers from Ron and I and a very Happy New Year!



Marina Fisher, sporting a festive snowman tattoo on her cheek, was selling some tasty looking baked goods at the Masstown United Church Christmas Luncheon and Sale, Dec. 5th. (Harrington Photo)



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