



Lucy Fulmore was celebrating her 4th birthday when she stopped by Lowland Garden's on Dec. 4th for a cup of hot chocolate. Lucy is the granddaughter of Burtchell and Lucia Fulmore of Economy. (Harrington Photo)



Three little cuties! Alexis Merzbach, Hendrikus van den Hoek and Hailey Field (right to left) were playing happily by the Christmas tree at the Great Village Community Centre during the Christmas Tea on Dec. 4th. (Harrington Photo)



Beth Terry, a consultant for Steeped Tea, pours Heather MacKay a hot cup of Toffee Carmel Pu-erh tea, just one of the many flavors on display at the Christmas Tea, sponsored by the Great Village Community Association on Dec. 4th. Looking on is Samantha Doucette. (Harrington Photo)



Danielle Doiron (D.D.) enjoyed her time with Mrs. Santa, Heather MacKay, at the Great Village Community Centre Christmas Tea recently. Tasty homemade treats were enjoyed by all. (Harrington Photo)

## Great Village Community Association News

By Linda Shears

The regular monthly meeting of the Great Village Community Association was held on Tuesday evening at 7:00 PM in the Community Hall.

The Self-Defense Workshop held recently was very informative and useful for adults. Another workshop may be offered in the spring, designed especially for children and young adults, with a focus on teaching respect and conflict resolution.

"Take Charge", which was a holistic approach to mental wellness sponsored by the Along the Shore Community Health Board, completed its five weekly sessions. Some of the topics covered were diet, nutrition, stress management, relaxation and addictions. The sessions were very well-organized and those who participated found it a valuable learning experience. The program may be repeated in the new year.

The Christmas Craft Fair, held on November 20 in the school gym attracted a group of about 30 vendors. Customers had a variety of wares to choose from. Many people stayed for chili at lunch time, took part in the cake walks and met Santa.

The Christmas Tea and Sweets held on December 4 as a fundraiser for the Community Association was enjoyed by all who attended. Before placing an order, people were able to sample various specialty teas and gourmet cookies from the Steeped Tea Company.

A grant from the Royal Bank of Canada has provided funds to purchase new curtains for the Hall.

The C@P site at the Community Hall was used by many people this past summer. The Jamaican workers made frequent use of both the computers and the library; the internet provided an important link to family and friends in Jamaica.

Beginning in January, a six-week beekeeping course will be offered by Tony Phillips.

During the past year, the Community Association has been active in planning many events and projects including Family Literacy Day, library, C@P site computers, student employment, Hunter Safety course, Ball Field restoration, Farmers' Market Breakfasts, Karate classes, the "Melt Down" weight loss program, and Blueberry Festival. If you would like to assist with any of these activities to keep our community active, please volunteer. If you don't have time to come to monthly meetings but could help out at events by baking or volunteering for an hour, please let us know. Also, if you have a talent which you would like to share as a workshop or would like us to find someone to organize a workshop, please let us know.

Monthly meetings are held the third Tuesday of the month at 7:00 PM in the Community Hall. If you have an interest in community events and in helping to make things happen, please join us.



On September 29th, this excavator operator was not just playing in the mud behind Wilson's Go Store in Great Village. He was starting the process of making a large pond, so the fire brigade has a source of fresh water in event of emergencies. In the winter, the pond will be used as an outdoor skating area. (Rees Photo)

## Debert Legion Notes

By Danny Martell

A quick peek at the standings for the Crib League has Tom Manley and his partners (combined) running along in first place, with Ron and Nate Francis holding down second spot. Debbie Cock and Ronnie Eastcott round out the top three. These will likely have changed by the time we go to press.

One thing that surely will not change is Gerry (The Bear) Dykens 29 hand. Gerry got his masterpiece on Wednesday the 10th of November and didn't realize what he had until he tried to count it. "The Bear" was playing with Judy (Loser) Crossman when he got his gem, and it is the first ever recorded in League play here at the Branch 106. Congratulations Gerry, and by the way, that is a great picture of you and your hand in the Games Room (and local paper).

In the early going of the Debert Mixed Dart League, Ron (Easy) Eastcott and his team of Audrey Gallagher and Paul Eastcott are tied with Skip Dawson and his partners Earl Harvey and Brian Turner for first place with 31 points, right behind them in third place is the team of Owen

Totten, Roz Bennett, Alan Griffin and Doug Harvey with 30 points. These standings have changed by now. This year's edition of the League is made up of 12 teams and approximately 50 players and is very competitive. Hopefully in the next edition of "The Journal" we will have a more detailed breakdown of the individual stats.

To all our readers, from all of us here at Branch 106, may you all have a very Merry Christmas, filled with Peace, Love and Happiness.

Happy Birthday wishes for December are passed along to Ed Gormley, Ron (Easy) Eastcott, Vernon Shay, Neil Bennett, Owen Gormley, and Don (Padre) MacQueen.

Happy Anniversary wishes for December are passed along to Leona and Earl Harvey and this is their 52nd.

My gosh, Earl, that's a lot of years to be with a wonderful lady.

Please say a prayer for our troops in Afghanistan and their families.

Don't forget to thank a Veteran; it is because of their sacrifices that we are able to enjoy our freedom and our country.

## My Favourite Pet

Skilo is a 3 year old Shih tzu/Bichon mix. He is currently involved in Paws For Fun dog agility and 4-H dog. He also visits the Shannex weekly and has recently started to learn disk dog. Skilo and the Brenton family of Crowes Mills are this month's winners of a \$20.00 Gift Certificate from The Shoreline Journal and Clarence's Farm Services.



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