



Several Members of the United Church Choir were recognized for years of dedicated service. Pictured (L-R) are George Linkletter, Clayton Eagles, Elizabeth MacAloney, Joyce Starratt, Marie Eagles and Mina Berry, all with over 30 years service in the choir. (Judy Bristow-Roberts Photo)

Debert Legion Notes

By Danny Martell

The Friday Suppers have shut down until Friday the 13th of January, 2012 and Betty thanks everyone who has helped in any way at all in making the Suppers the success they are. She also would like to thank all the people who have made donations.

The Suppers are going good but could be better, let's all help out in 2012 by offering our help in the kitchen, or maybe a donation of veggies or other goodies and why not take in a supper or two. (Thanks Betty).

To all who helped with the Poppy Drive and Remembrance Day, Betty sends along a big thank you.

The standings for the Wednesday Night Crib League as of 13 December shows Ron and Nate Francis pegging along in first place with 537 points (against) and that is a 112 point lead over Debbie Cock and Ron "Easy" Eastcott who hold down second spot with 649 points against.

The team of Judy Crossman and Dave Pratt are carrying the League on their shoulders as they sit in last place with 1052 points.

Jim MacKinnon has High Hand with a 28, congratulations Jim on your big hand. There have been 21, 24 hands to date and Tom Manley leads the way in this category with 3. Thanks Bud (Earl).

The standings and individuals stats for the "Debert Mixed Dart League", as they get ready for the Christmas break are as follows: Holding down first place with 59 points are teams 2 and 5. Team 2 is comprised of Clayton Finck, Debbie Cock and Hugie White. Team 5 is made up of Doug Harvey and Charmaine Turner. Team 8 with Craig Fraser, Marg Nicholson and Allen Zimmer holds down 3rd spot with 55 points.

High Starts (M)- Clayton Finck 140, (W) Deanna Martell 116; High Finish (M) Clayton Finck 118, (W) Sharon Kyle 101; High Score (M) Ron Eastcott 165, (W) Julia Taylor and Charmaine Turner both with 140; Most Starts (M) Ron Eastcott 61, (W) Charmaine Taylor 47, Most Finishes (M) Craig Fraser, (W) Debbie Cock and Charmaine Taylor with 22; Most Tinkles (W) Wilfred Crowe and Dave MacPhee 66, (W) Debbie Rushton 88; Least Tinkles (M) Clayton 1.3%, (W) Debbie Cock 4.7%.

Craig Fraser and Doug Harvey have both rang up 180's. (Thanks Skip).

On Saturday, Dec. 10th a Turkey Shoot took place here at the Branch and it was a fairly well attended event and a good time was had by all.

Ann Adams and Bill McIntyre took home turkeys for their first place finish as did Debbie Cock and Ron Eastcott for their second place finish. Diana Rushton (W) and Owen Totten (M) got turkeys for their High Finishes. Pam Eastcott (W) and Clayton Finck (M) took home birds for their scores. Bill Hawker had a 180 and with it a free turkey. Barb Scott won a truly on a draw and Leane Power won the 50/50 draw. (Thanks Earl).

Well hunters and fishermen/women your seasons are all but finished until 2012 and from all reports and depending on who you talk to it was a very good season for both. There were an awful lot of fishermen/women who dropped in to show off a nice string of trout and/or show off their big bass and there was some beautiful big bass caught this past summer. Just ask Aubrey

Gratto and he will tell you, he is still smiling.

Aubrey dropped in last week to say hello and talk hunting and he is thinking about putting on some fishing classes over the winter months on how to catch big bass. He wants to focus his attention on some of the boys at the hardware shop. He did not mention any names; he just wants them to get that feeling.

Aubrey did mention that he and his good buddy Alvin Hunsley both got a deer this fall. The only thing he wouldn't tell me was how his golf games went this past summer.

As in last months' edition of The Journal we pass along our congratulations to Mark Gregory and Tim Martell on their beautiful bucks.

For me, it was a very successful hunting season as I got to spend some quality time with Tim and Larry and the grandsons Alex, Spencer and Nick as well as brother Jerry and my good friend Gerry (Bear) Dykens. A good season indeed.

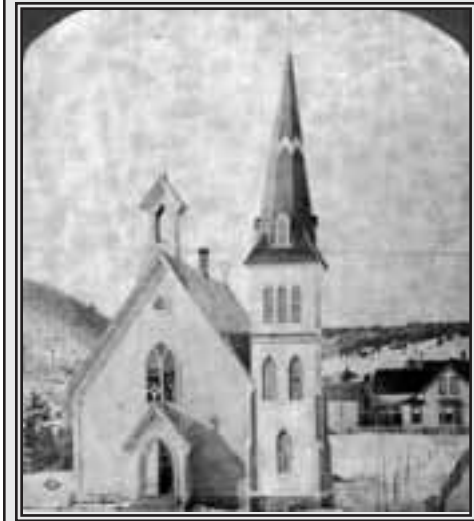
Congratulations are passed along to Debbie Cock who won the beautiful end table that the Branch was selling tickets on. A big thank you is passed along to Evertt McCully who made and donated the table. To all the people who bought tickets on the table, thank you very much for your support.

Congratulations are passed along to Wendy Smith from Amherst who won the beautiful quilt that the Debert Military Museum was selling tickets on. Ticket sales were very good and a very handsome profit was realized. To all the people who bought tickets on the quilt, thank you very much for your support. (Thanks Irene).

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

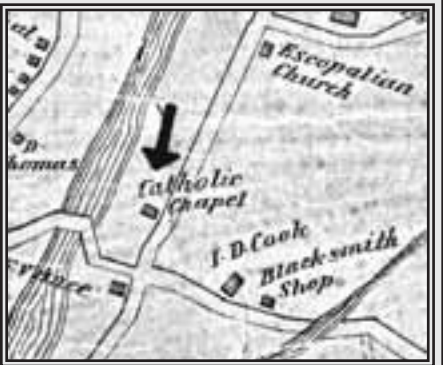
Historic Sites Along The Shore - St. Ambrose Catholic Church Acadia Mines

The Shoreline Journal, in collaboration with the Colchester Historical Society Archives, have inaugurated an ongoing feature utilizing a combination of the digital "A. F. Church Maps" to pin point the circa 1875 location of a Colchester site of historical importance, and connect it to an archival photograph of that site, in that frame.



By Dick Akerman

The arrow pointer on map # 334 locates the site of St. Ambrose Catholic Church in what was then "Acadia Mines" and is now "Londonderry Mines". Built on the corner of Church and Furnace Street, this fine building served the rapidly growing numbers of Catholic families, whose men came to work in the newly opened



iron mining and milling operations. The church building and glebe house were built in 1871. The first Parish Priest was Father Mihan, who served the Parish until 1872. In 1881 the congregation built "St. Bridget's Hall" on the corner of Furnace and River Streets. It was a fine, three storey buildings, used by the whole community for school concerts, theatrical performances, boxing matches and in 1895, a horse show. All of these buildings, and many others, were burned in the great fire of 1920. With the demise of the mining industry and the resulting drop in population, the Salvation Army Hall closed in 1917, and the Catholic Parish acquired the building in 1920 and moved it to the site of the recently burned Chapel. A steeple and new windows were added to create the "St. Ambrose" of today.

Dick Akerman has been compiling information on behalf of the Colchester Historical Museum Archives, which will be published as a monthly column in the Shoreline Journal.

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Happy Anniversary wishes for December are passed along to Leona and Earl Harvey (53rd) (Good People).

To all our readers, Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and may your holidays be filled with happiness and friends.

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

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