

Great Village Garden Club Decorates 47th Community Tree



Great Village Garden Club members Wilfred Miller, Patti Sharpe and Arthur Haskins help to decorate the 47th community Christmas tree at St. James United, Great Village. The club has donated and decorated a tree since the inception of the club in 1967. (Linda Giddens Photo)

By Patti Sharpe

The Great Village Garden Club wrapped up the 2013 year with their annual Christmas Social. Members gathered at St. James United Church in Great Village on Friday, November 29 to erect and decorate the community Christmas tree at the centre of the village. Since 1967, the garden club has been responsible for finding and

decorating the tree.

This year's tree is a lovely fir, approximately 25 feet in height, donated by Ruth and Robert Patriquin of Great Village. The tree will remain up until early January. If anyone is interested in donating a fir tree for this purpose for 2014, please contact Patti or Harold Sharpe at 668-2428. The tree must be a fir, approximately

twenty feet tall and located in an area easily accessible by tractor and wagon within Great Village and immediate area. No work is required on the part of the donor(s) - garden club

members will take down the tree and transport it.

Following the tree decorating, the club moved inside for a potluck meal, brief business meeting and entertainment. Long time member Arthur Chisholm was presented with an NSAGC Outstanding Member award. Arthur has been an active member for many years, holding various offices within the club as well as being a district director for the central region within the Nova Scotia Association of Garden Clubs. Arthur's parents, Judd and Abbie Chisholm were among the founding members of the club and he shares their love of gardening and commitment to the garden club.

In the early fall, member Sybil Flemming had photographed various gardens and landscapes in Great Village and area and brought them together in a PowerPoint presentation to create a fun activity for members who were asked to identify each slide. Although all the photos had been taken from the roadside, this exercise demonstrated just how much or how little we observe within our own neighbourhood.

Our regular monthly meetings will resume on Tuesday, January 28, 2014 at Faith Baptist Church at 7 p.m. At that time, we will welcome a new slate of officers for 2014 - President, Linda Giddens; vice-president, Pat Flemming; secretary, Maureen Chisholm and treasurer, Sybil Flemming. New members are always welcome so why not start the new year off by joining the garden club?

Rain or Shine

(God's Sacred Ground)

I have walked in meadows
I have walked on ground
I have walked in fields
Where crosses are found

(God's Sacred Ground)

They were once amongst us
Now in these fields they lay
Forever remembered
For the price they did pay!

God Bless and Thank-You

Thomas A. Marshall (Ex-navy)

We are all God's children

Parrsboro Band Association Busy with Fundraisers

By Patricia Burke

The Parrsboro Band Association has been the recipient of a beautiful quilt that a small group of quilters has made recently in memory of Linda Towns, a member of the group. Linda was a member of the board of directors at the hall for a period of time. Linda's husband, David, provided the material from Linda's collection and Carol Brown provided the backing. At the band's annual Christmas Concert on Mon. Dec. 6, the fundraiser will be announced. Tickets will be \$2 or 3 for \$5.

Drawing will take place on Sat. Oct. 4, 2014. Proceeds from this fundraiser will assist in the installation of hearing assistive devices.

During the month of December, the band hall will be the recipient of the proceeds of the 50-50 draw at Crossroads Co-op in Parrsboro.

Tickets are \$2 each. So if you would like to support the hall, when you purchase groceries make sure you purchase a ticket. You never know, you just might be the next winner.

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2014 Christmas Tree Collection

To ensure collection, trees must be free of decorations, lights, stands and bags. Trees must be placed curbside by 7:00am on the MONDAY of your collection week.

Collection takes place as follows:

- Zones 1, 2 and 3—January 13-17, 2014
- Zones 4, 5, 6 and the Town of Truro—January 6-10, 2014
- Zones 7 and 8—January 20-24, 2014
- Town of Stewiacke—January 24, 2014

Remember...Wrapping paper is NOT RECYCLABLE!
It should be placed in a clear bag with your regular garbage.



Happy Holidays!
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