

"The Bridge" walkway within the new CNSCC

Looking Ahead to September

By Heather Fraser

When you meet someone on the street who you haven't seen in awhile, what does your conversation sound like? I'm almost certain that it will include comments regarding our Nova Scotia weather but it might also include remarks on how busy life is. Time flies by! Well, time is sure flying by at 625 Abenaki Road - the construction site for the Central Nova Scotia Civic Centre. Construction began in September 2010 and is on target to open in just 4 months. How time flies!

The new Centre will be a cornerstone of the community, a gathering place that will be accessible and welcoming to the entire community and beyond. The interior is shaping up to be an open concept with plenty of interior glass providing countless, unrestricted views of the different program areas throughout the facility. The interior colors will be grey tones, with splashes of red while the exterior, which is almost complete, is in three shades of grey fabricated steel. The Centre will be supporting social values that are impor-

tant to the community by promoting health and wellness, and by serving the entire community, from kids and families to competitive and recreational athletes. The facility will be infusing new life and activity into the Region, something we have looked forward to for many

As the interior continues to take shape, it's easy to envision kids with their hockey bags making their way to the dressing rooms, or someone scurrying along to attend a fitness class on their lunch hour in the fitness centre, or residents simply meeting friends for coffee. The facility will have a strong impact on the health of the community in many ways; one in particular was the decision not to include deep fryers as part of the food concession services in the Centre. By doing this the Centre will be promoting healthier living through healthier food choices thus taking an active role in the overall health and well being of the community it serves.

While it is fun to visualize the wonderful impact the new Centre will have on each

and every one of us, we must not lose sight of the task at hand, constructing this almost 150,000 sq. ft. facility. The project team is happy to say that construction remains on target with the completion of the structural steel, and mechanical, electrical and plumbing are well underway. Work has also begun on landscaping and the remaining parking lots.

The \$5 million Ignite the Spirit Campaign continues to move along thanks in large part to the generosity of local businesses, individuals and of course the wonderful volunteers that have helped us reach the \$4 million milestone. Although we see the finish line in the horizon, we still have some work to do and I hope that you will consider a donation to the campaign in support of this great facility. There are many ways to give, all of which are outlined on our website www.ignitethespirit.ca or feel free to contact the office at 902-893-9706 or ignitethespirit@colchester.ca for more information. Please do it now! As we know, time flies!!

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Onslow Belmont 4-H News

This has been a very busy month. Michael Congdon won the junior speech competition at the 4H weekend representing the club, county and Region very well. Taylor Hoyt gave us a review of her amazing trip to Ottawa for the National 4H Conference, it focused on citizenship and Taylor had the opportunity to sing the National Anthem for the Canadian Citizens Ceremony, they also toured the Museum of Science and Technology, The War Museum, Museum of Civilization and the Royal Canadian Mint, what an amazing experience.

Taylor also made many great 4H friends from all over Canada. Many of our club members went on a wagon ride at Hamilton's farm in Lower Onslow, fun was had by all. Our Judging day was May 22nd and we have been practicing our judging all month in preparation for it.

Laura Brenton is reporter for the Onslow Belmont 4-H Club



In May the Peniel UCW, Five Islands chose a tea party as their monthly activity complete with lace tablecloth, silver tea service, bone china cups and saucers. All the ladies dressed with hats and other finery. Pictured above are: Front row, Iona Canning, Eileen Loch, Noreen Lewis, Hazel Linkletter; Second row: Joyce Canning, Elizabeth MacAloney, Dorothy Carson, Mina Berry (guest), Judy Roberts. Standing in back are Brenda Moore and Marilyn Smith. (Brenda Moore Photo)



Thomas Barnhill (right) had his eye on a special toy at a yardsale in Lower Onslow. Sharon McElroy (left) and her daughter Alyssa planned to participate in the "Walk So Kids Can Talk" on Sunday, May 6th and they decided to top up their pledge sheet donations by holding a yard sale. Proceeds from the Walk will help support the Kids Help Phone. (Harrington Photo)





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