



EMO co-ordinator Carl Shaw, offered his congratulations to OBFB as Deputy Chief John McKay looks on.



Salmon Fire Chief Darrell MacPhee presented a plaque to OBFB Chief Greg Muise on behalf of the Salmon River Fire Brigade.



Dwayne Mellish presented a plaque to OBFB Chief Greg Muise on behalf of the Bible Hill Fire Brigade.

Onslow Belmont Notes

By Debbie Weatherby

Oh my goodness gracious, enough SNOW already!! It make my job that much harder to accomplish. The last few winters have spoiled me I guess. Watched some pheasants the other day and it looked almost as if they were gliding over the snow on their bellies. Their feet were under the snow and they can sure move pretty darn quick too.

Congrats go out to Macquel Weatherbee and Shannon Scott of Crowes Mills on the arrival of their baby girl on Jan. 31, 2011 weighing in at 6 lbs. 9 ozs. Also to Ashley Bennett and Nick Bigney on their little girl on Jan. 31, 2011 weighing in 5 lbs. 9 ozs. A great granddaughter for Shirley Ann Lindsay of Belmont.

A happy 70th Birthday to Betty Dunlap of Belmont, her family is hosting a party for her on Feb. 26th at the Belmont Baptist Church from 2 to 4 p.m.

Belmont Baptist Church services are held every Sunday at 11:00 a.m. with Sunday School held at 9:30 a.m. Prayer meeting is held Wednesday evenings at 7:00 p.m.

Services are held at the Trinity United Church every Sunday at 10:00 a.m. There is also card playing of 45's every Tuesday evening at 7:00 p.m. with lunch and prizes provided. All are welcome to come out for an enjoyable evening.

Condolences go out to Gwendolyn (Leben) and the families on the loss of her husband Donald James McKay, Lower Onslow on Jan. 14, 2011; Donald (Helen) Porter, Onslow and the families on the loss of his brother, John Elliott Porter on Jan 24, 2011; Donald Porter, Fort Belcher and the families on the loss of his wife Helen Elliott (Atkinson) Porter on Jan. 31, 2011; Jerry (Judy) Nichols, Belmont and the families on the loss of his father Lionel Nichols on Jan 31, 2011; Catherine Margaret Funge, Upper Onslow and the families on the loss her husband Martin Joseph Anderson on Feb. 6, 2011; Jonathan (Sabrina) McGee, Crowes Mills and the families on the loss of his father Kenneth Maurice "Ken" McGee on Feb. 7, 2011 and Gayle (Doug) McClaren of Crowes Mills and

the families on the loss of her mother Clara Isabell Chapman on Feb. 8, 2011.

I've been noticing it is staying lighter out longer now and in just a few short weeks the time will change and make a bigger difference. The kids will soon be on March

break as well and will have lots to do with all the snow that is laying around. Enjoy your break and play safe.

If anyone has something they would like to see written please give me a call and until next time take care and Happy St Patrick's Day.

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Graham Elliott represented his father Harry Elliott at the reenactment of the first meeting of the OBFB. He recreated an event where his father handed over a \$50 donation to the Brigade, which was well remembered by many present.



Deputy Chief Darrell Currie represented Bob Patterson and Chief Greg Muise represented first Fire Chief Keith Hamilton during the reenactment of the first meeting of the OBFB.



In the fall of 2010 Allister Lantz, of Lantz Truck Body Ltd., congratulated OBFB Deputy Fire Chief John MacKay on their new Emergency Medical Response & Forestry Truck.

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Lower Onslow Community Centre News

By Ann Fiddes

I don't know about the rest of you, but I have had enough winter. Yes, some early mornings our surroundings are beautiful, but then the shoveling begins.

The Community Centre has been busy. We have started Yoga classes, Tuesday afternoon for Seniors and Wednesday night regular classes. I understand the seniors yoga can be done from a chair, so anyone that had concerns about mobility etc, this might be something to try.

Monday night card parties have seen a steady increase in the number of tables, anyone who enjoys playing 45's, join us on Monday night at 7 for a good game of cards and light refreshments.

Open Mic on Thursday night is proving a huge success. Under the capable leadership of Wayne Elliott, up to 20 musicians a night perform for the enjoyment of the crowd.. Musicians of all ages from 5 Islands to Bible Hill to Tatamagouche to Valley and beyond entertain. New musicians are always welcome, so if you play any instrument come join us on a Thursday night, we

would love to have you. Doors open around 5:30 and the music starts at 6:30 and the tea and coffee is on us.

We are hoping to have the centre open one afternoon a month as a seniors drop-in centre. We will let you know when plans for this are finalized, we hope you will join us for a cup of tea/coffee, maybe a game of cards and possibly a guest speaker or entertainment.

4H continues to hold their general meeting at the centre, and the hall is available as a rental for birthday parties, showers and various other private functions. The centre is intended to cover the area served by the Onslow-Belmont Fire Brigade and anyone living in this area, who would like to get involved, we are always looking for volunteers, whether it is to help with lunch when needed, setting up the hall for the various functions, shoveling the steps this time of year, or whatever your interest, give Doug a call at 895-2242 after 6 p.m. Anyone outside this area with some spare time, we would always welcome your help and expertise.



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