

# WCCS Students Knitting Patches For Afgan Quilt

By Lacey Gilley

This month has been filled with many fun and exciting activities to keep students busy! We have been using all of this snow to our advantage and at least one grade has been snowshoeing or sledging behind the school almost every day! We are very lucky to go to a school in such a rural area where we can enjoy

Mother Nature!

At the beginning of the month students had an opportunity to participate in a knitting group led by Mrs. Flemming. Since then 12 students have been involved in this and meet during most noon hours and some afternoons. The goal of the group is to teach people how to knit and that eventually they will



Mrs. Flemming and the knitting group work together in the science lab. (Lacey Gilley Photo)



The boys basketball team meets during a time out at their game on Thursday February 16th, 2012. (Lacey Gilley Photo)



Faith Olmstead, Morgan Burns, Breanna Rushton and Angelica Platnauer snowshoe through the trails during winter carnival. (Lacey Gilley Photo)

have knit enough 8 inch squares to sew together and make a patchwork afgan.

When the blanket is completed they will donate it to a homeless shelter in Truro. During this time of year many people who are down on their luck need support from the communities around them. Homeless shelters do not get enough recognition and this is our little way of saying thank-you and supporting those in need.

A big thank-you to Miss. Bowers who knit 80 squares and donated them to the cause! If you would like to help in the making of the blanket you can do this by casting on 40 stitches of 2 ply knitting worsted yarn on size 4 or 5 mm needles. The squares are 8 inches by 8 inches or 20cm by 20cm. Because this is a patchwork afgan color and pattern do not matter. Squares can be brought to the school anytime throughout the week.

The production of The Wizard of Oz has been going great and everyone is working very hard! Auditions have been held and the cast list has a variety of students from all different grades. No one has been left out and everyone is excited to begin rehearsals. Director Leana Todd has been working with students on Fridays after school and volunteers have been busy ensuring that the production will be fabulous!

The boys and girls basketball teams have been practicing hard and participating in lots of games throughout the month of February. Although neither team has won any games, they are enjoying playing together and seem to have fun on the court!

Compared to the games played at the beginning of the

season both teams have improved immensely and are working better as a team. There are still two more weeks left in the season as well as a couple of tournaments. Good luck to both teams!

We wrapped up winter carnival in a wonderful fashion on Friday February 17th with snowshoeing, sledging, dodge ball and a hockey shoot in the afternoon! At lunch we had a ball hockey game, students versus teachers. Throughout the week there was a volleyball game with the teachers versus the girls' volleyball team.

All students participated in a Jump Rope for Heart activity afternoon on Tuesday. On Wednesday we went skating in Debert and on Thursday the grade 5 and 6 students went to the Museum of Industry in Stellarton! We also had 70's day, crazy day, jersey day, school spirit day and celebrity day! Thank-you to the Leadership group for organizing all of these activities as well to all of the teachers for helping out during the activities!

On February 23rd there was a benefit dance for Holly Grue and her family held after school for students in grades primary to 9. Students were selling chips and punch and with proceeds going to support Holly and her family. Students were encouraged to buy a heart for Holly which they will sign. The signed hearts will be delivered to Holly.

The year is flying by and there are only 4 and a half months of school left! Report cards for second term will go out on March 5th. Parent teacher conferences will be held during the first full week in March.

# Truro Presbyterial UCW Installs New Officers

By Chris Urquhart

Truro Presbyterial UCW held their Annual Meeting on February 21st at St. David's United Church, Bible Hill. This was the storm date for that meeting. There were 71 ladies in attendance! It was a beautiful, sunny day and the parking lot at the Church was clear (a relief to many who worry about falling on the ice).

Program was brought to us by Earth Angels who informed us about the services they offer to everyone, not just elderly folks. It was very interesting and informative. There was a memorial service for our past UCW ladies who have passed away during 2011. A short business meeting and the installation of the

new officers followed. Barbara Burley, the outgoing president, was thanked with a standing ovation for her hard work throughout the past two years. Our new president is Katherine Cameron.

The next big event for Presbyterial will be our Spring Rally on May 15th which will be held at Knox United, Brookfield where we will celebrate the 50th Anniversary of UCW. In the meantime the executive will meet on Thursday March 8th, 10am, at First United Church, Truro. All presidents of all UCW units are supposed to attend this executive meeting. If they are unable to attend they need to send an alternate person to represent them.



Truro Presbyterial UCW Executive: Back Row: Doris McCallum, Dora Vaughan, Marion Blackmore, Noreen Stark, Barbara Burley. Front Row: Ethel Miller, Christine Urquhart, Thelma Redmond. Missing from photo: Katherine Cameron. (Submitted)

## Story Ideas?

Deadline for the April issue of

is March 20

# Onslow Belmont Notes

By Debbie Weatherby

This winter has certainly been a strange one hasn't it? Might make for a short one but not short enough for me lol. I wish more people would be careful on the roads when the snow starts to fall, it sure can be deceiving.

Congratulations to Rebecca Frizzell, daughter of Butch and Rose Frizzell of Central Onslow on her marriage to Gabriel DeOliveira, son of Nivaldo and Maria DeOliveira of Sao Paulo, Brazil on Nov. 12, 2011.

Condolences go out to Ardith and Dale Lambourne and the families on the loss of her sister Pearl Augusta Johnstone on Jan. 25, 2012; Frances (Teed) Turner, Belmont and the families on the loss of her husband Luther Charles Turner on Jan. 29, 2012; Patti MacDonald (Glenn), Onslow and the families on the loss of her brother Stephen Miles Webb on Feb. 5, 2012; Darren (Sarah) Petrie and the families on the loss of his Mother Lydia Jane Mary Fisher on Feb. 6, 2012; Doris (Allen) Baird, Onslow, David McCallum (Norma) of Onslow and the families on the loss of their father Clarence Irving McCallum on Feb. 13, 2012 and Barbara (Edwin) Simms of Crowes Mills and the families on the loss of their mother Jennie Ward on Feb. 15, 2012. She will be missed.

Services are held every Sunday at the Trinity United Church in Onslow at 10:00 a.m. with Sunday School at the same time. There is card playing of 45's every Tuesday evening at 7:00 p.m. with lunch and prizes provided. Everyone is welcome to come out for an enjoyable evening. Trinity is at the corner of Meeting House Road and Onslow Road. All are welcome at any of the services.

Belmont Baptist church services are held every Sunday at

11:00 a.m. Prayer meeting is held Wednesday evening at 7:00 p.m.

The Lower Onslow Community Centre will be hosting card parties (45's) every Monday night at 7pm. Cash prizes and a light lunch to be served. Come out and play 45's at the Trinity United Church in Onslow every Tuesday night at 7pm. Lunch served with proceeds for Church purposes. Chair lift accessible.

Now this sounds like it could be very interesting and lots of fun for the kids. WeeDANCE JR. DANCE TEAM Now Accepting Registrations For Spring Classes: April-June, Open To Girls & Boys, Ages 5-18 Every Sunday at the Lower Onslow Community Centre. Classes Beginning April 1st \$10 a class weekly, fee includes costumes and dance equipment.

Classes Offered Junior Team Ages 5-9 (5:30-6:30 pm) Intermediate Team Ages 10-14 (6:45-7:45 pm) Senior Team Ages 15-18 (8:00-9:00 pm)

All teams will participate in learning a range of dance styles and fitness. At the end of June, all team will also be part of a Dance Showcase!

Along with registering for spring classes you will receive 25% off day camps in the summer along with a \$5.00 off coupon to use towards any dance clothing purchases the team holds. For more info or to register, contact Katelyn Colpitts. Phone: 902-986-3456 Email: [katelyncolpitts@gmail.com](mailto:katelyncolpitts@gmail.com)

Visit their Facebook Page <http://www.facebook.com/#!/pages/WeeDANCE-Jr-Dance-Team/239560856115695>

It would seem a few provinces had Monday the 20th off as a Family Day, don't you think it is about time Nova Scotia recognized the same day, I know I do.

Until next time take care and Happy Easter to all.

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