

Debert Elementary Notes



Melissa Naugler holds 4 year old Dieulando and is hugged by 9 year old Dakencia. Ms Naugler, and her husband, recently adopted these two children from Haiti and the family came to Debert Elementary to talk with students about the devastating earthquake in Haiti. (submitted)

By Linda Harrington

Earth Day celebrations were held at the school on April 22nd.

Plans are underway for a giant yard sale on May 1st from 9 a.m. until noon. Community members may rent a table for \$10 by calling the school. Items may be dropped off for the school tables throughout the month of April. The sale will include a bake table and all money raised will be donated to the IWK.

The next School Assembly will be held on April 29th.

"Caught...making a healthy choice" winners in the cafeteria were Week One- Devin Lockhart, Jessie Steeves; Week Two- Marlee Alexander, Ben Kittilsen; Week Four- Brennan Fraser, Christina Rines.

A reminder there is no school on May 24th, the Victoria Day holiday.

The Grade 4 class is looking forward to an outing to the wetlands in Shubenacadie. This trip will allow them the opportunity to acquire information about the habitats of many of our waterfowl and learn about the

differences in species that live here. Special thanks to the Kittilsen family who have allowed this "hands on" learning experience to occur for our children.

Other class trips are being planned and parents will be notified via the school newsletter and individual notices.

Volunteers play an important part at Debert Elementary. Their dedication of time, energy and friendliness is much appreciated by both staff and students at the school. On May 12th, at 1 pm, the school will be hosting a "Volunteer Tea" to celebrate the "giving" nature of these individuals. Students will be singing their praises through music directed by Mr. Black.

Michaela Priest and Carlie Barnhill report the following: "On April 8th we were excited to have a visit from Melissa Naugler who had just adopted 2 children from Haiti. Ms. Naugler, a sister of one of our Educational Assistants, was thrilled to hear of our efforts to help Haiti. She wanted us to be more informed about this horrific event. She told us that the earthquake happened at supper time and it only took 38 seconds for it to destroy most of Port-au-Prince. Her new son who is only 4 years old had just

left the supper table to get a drink when the wall near his table collapsed. If timing had been slightly different Dieulando, the Haitian boy, would have been crushed. Ms. Naugler was relieved that her daughter, Dakencia, who is 9 years old was not in this particular area at the time of the earthquake. Ms. Naugler and her husband Gerry had started the adoption process prior to the earthquake so they were very concerned about their family when word arrived of the catastrophe. Relief that their children were not injured was followed by a time of stress while they awaited permission to get them to Canada. The flight itself took 4 hours delivering 20 Haitian children to their new Canadian families and each child on that flight had an adult with them as it was the first time they had ever flown. Ms. Naugler was able to give us some clear visuals as to how quickly 38 seconds passes and she also let us see what the living conditions in Haiti were like both before and after the earthquake. We have learned a lot from her visit and hope to continue in our efforts to help the people of Haiti by collecting band-aids to send them."

Debert Fire Brigade Awards Banquet March 27, 2010



Randy Barnhill acted as MC at the Debert Fire Brigade Awards Banquet on March 27th. He had a few jokes to tell along with the formal introductions and presentations. (Harrington Photo)



Don Geldart (left) and Kyle Slack (right) were presented with their 10 Year Service Awards at the Debert Fire Brigade Annual Awards Banquet on March 27th. (Harrington Photo)



Fire Chief Wade Jennings presents Gordon Myers with the Firefighter of the Year Award at the Debert Fire Brigade Annual Awards Banquet. (Harrington Photo)



Fire Chief Wade Jennings presents Kyle Slack with the Debert Fire Brigade Wendell Barnhill Most Improved Firefighter Award. This is the first time a Junior Member has ever won this award. (Harrington Photo)



Don Geldart presents Debert Fire Chief Wade Jennings with the Fire Officer of the Year Award at the Annual Awards Banquet on March 27th. (Harrington Photo)

OBITUARIES

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HENRY, Robert G. - 72, Brookfield, passed away March 29, 2010 in Colchester Regional Hospital, Truro. Born in Colchester County, he was a son of the late Daniel and Ada (Rudolph) Henry. Robert was self employed and owned and operated R.G. Henry Trucking for over 20 years. Robert was dearly loved and will be sadly missed by his family. He is survived by his loving wife of 47 years, Shirley (MacLeod); daughters, Ruth Henry (Ian McNutt), Debert, Carolyn (Wade) Johnson, Stewiacke, Angela (Jeff) Cameron, Belmont; son, Daniel (Lisa) Henry, Brentwood; grandchildren, Jennifer Henry, Thomas and Kyle Henry, Samantha and Justin McNutt, Robert Cameron; great-grandchildren, Gage and Devon; sister, Hilda Jackson, Ontario; brother, Graham Henry, Hilden. He was predeceased by grandson, Andrew Ryan Henry; sister, Audrey Isenor. A memorial service was held April 1 with Rev. Larry Harrison officiating. On-line condolences may be sent to www.colchestercommunity.com

SOY, Bernard Eugene - 84, Bible Hill/Halifax, passed away at Melville Gardens on April 7, 2010. Born in Londonderry Station, N.S. on April 4, 1926, he was a son of the late James Soy, M.C. and G. Magnolia (Toole) Soy. He attended Mt. Allison University and Maritime Forest Ranger School. His entire working life was spent in the forestry business, including co-owner and Vice-President of McCully & Soy Ltd. He was a member of the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 26 and attended many legion dances through the years. Special thanks to the wonderful staff at Melville Gardens, whom he often referred to as his "angels". They all provided care, compassion and friendship. He will be dearly missed by his daughter, Valerie Soy (Doug Grover) of Dartmouth, son, Kevin (Kim) of Toronto, cherished Grandson, Samuel Grover, sisters, Margaret Soy (David) of Ottawa, Mary Spence of Bible Hill, many nieces and nephews, sisters-in-law, Judy Soy of Bible Hill and Margo Soy of Saskatoon. He was predeceased by his wife Ann Rachel, sister, Kathleen MacNeil and brothers, James R. and Richard Cornelius "Con". Funeral Mass was held Monday, April 12 in Immaculate Conception Church, 669 Prince Street, Truro, with Father Dariusz Miskowicz officiating. Burial to take place on May 1st in Bible Hill Cemetery. On-line condolences may be made at: www.colchestercommunity.com

DAVIS, Lynda L. - 62, of Lower Five Islands, Colchester County passed away Tuesday, April 13, 2010 at Colchester Regional Hospital, Truro. Born in Mosher River, she was a daughter of the late Ernie and Gladys (Jones) Bezanson. Lynda was very active in her community, particularly through her work as President of the Five Islands Bazaar Committee. She was well known throughout the area for her baking and crafts. Besides operating 'Special Touch' from her home, she operated Davis Video in Parrsboro for more than 10 years. The time she enjoyed most was spent with her family, particularly her grandchildren. She is survived by her husband, Basil (Jr.); a daughter, Shauna Allen (Gordon), Greenfield; a son Terry (Mary Lou), Bible Hill; a sister, Edna Miller (John), Dartmouth; foster brothers, Elmer MacDonald, Mosher River and Perry MacDonald (Linda), Dartmouth; grandchildren, Jessica Allen; Julia, Brady and Noah Davis. She was predeceased by an infant brother, Terrance Maxwell; foster brother, Frank MacDonald; a grandson, Tyler. Funeral service was held April 17, 2010 at the Peniel United Church, Five Islands, with Rev. Florence Antle-Brison officiating. Memorial donations may be made to the Tyler Allen Memorial Fund. Arrangements were entrusted to Smith's Funeral Home, Parrsboro. Online condolences at www.smithsfuneralhome.com.

McNutt, Cecil Henry - 80, Truro, passed away Sunday April 18, 2010 at the QEII Health Sciences Center, Halifax. Born in Brookside, he was the son of the late Noble and Winnifred (Isenor) McNutt. He loved gardening, puzzles and walking and enjoyed family and family gatherings. He was always available when needed by his family. He was a "jack-of-all-trades", especially carpentry. He enjoyed the simple things of life. He will be deeply missed by his family. He is survived by daughters, Carolyn (Tony) Thurlow, Sharon (Clinton) Hayter, both of Truro; sons, Eric (Tammy), Onslow Mountain, Terry, Dale (Tanya) both of Truro; grandchildren, Stephanie, Jason, Crystal, Ryan, Amanda; six great-grandchildren; sisters, Florence (Angus) MacAdam, Grace Cowl, Frances Caddell, Lillian Pratt, Hazel (Donald) Hatt; brother, Alden (Evelyn); several nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by brothers, Gordon, Chester and Russell; niece, Glenda Hatt. Funeral service was held April 21 in Colchester Community Funeral Home, 512 Willow Street, Truro with Rev. Larry Harrison officiating. Interment in Crossroads Cemetery, Valley, Monday, May 3, 2010 at 10:00 am. On-line condolences may be made at: www.colchestercommunity.com



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