

# Gypsy Wagon Rolls Into Glenholme



By Linda Harrington

A new business venture has sprung open its doors in Glenholme. The Gypsy Wagon, run by Andrea Gould, and hosted by the West Colchester Bazaar brings a mixture of retail, consignment and second hand goods to the consumer within a very relaxed atmosphere.

Andrea Gould moved to this area from the Yukon a few years ago. Andrea, and her husband Peter, bought a house in Londonderry, where they live with their two young daughters, Ava and Holly.

A chance meeting with Mary Legatte last November was the beginning of what they both describe as a special relationship. "I was just looking for a place to sell

the Maritimes."

The building adjacent to The Gypsy Wagon's main building is currently being set up to sell vintage, retro and second hand goods. Once the weather warms up there will be flea market tables added, in the space between the buildings, to help raise money for community charities.

Andrea is very pleased approximately 80% of her retail goods are Global Fair Trade items. The sale of these crafts is meant to lift artisans in developing countries out of poverty, by offering fair wages and working conditions, for their cultural crafts. Items include gourd instruments from Peru, beaded work and carvings from Kenya, scarves woven in Guatemala and



some of my seashell crafts and candles," says Andrea. "Mary and I immediately hit it off and the ideas for a new version of the Bazaar started flowing."

Mary Legatte says meeting Andrea was like a breath of fresh air. "Andrea was the only person I had ever met who had the same enthusiasm and vision for the Bazaar," she says. "I'm not getting any younger and I knew she would be good for this place. She is young and has some really great new ideas."

Andrea picked the name "The Gypsy Wagon" because of her past travels and personal experiences. "I lived all over North America, and for 5 years I actually lived out of my van. My mother always said I would be a gypsy but I have settled down now with my family. I like the idea of a gypsy wagon being a place where people can bring their wares to sell. We do that here with consignment sales."

The number of consignment sellers for the West Colchester Bazaar has been steadily increasing since Andrea began renovating the previous home of the Bazaar and setting up the Gypsy Wagon. Freshly painted walls and shelves and brightly colorful artwork make it a shopper's delight.

"I really want this to be a community based store," says Andrea. "People are welcome to sell their work here on consignment, no matter how big or small they are, and no matter where they are located in



CCJHS was well represented at the "Concours d'Art Oratoire", a french public speaking contest held on March 30th in Stewiacke. The 8-1 class chose (left to right) Amy Harrington, Flori Small, and Morgan Toole and the 9-1 class chose Bria Manthorn and Katie Newell. Morgan Toole and Bria Manthorne, won gold medals at the event and will go on to represent the CCRSB at the Provincial Concours held in Halifax in May. (Harrington Photo)

## Economy & Five Islands Area News

By Ruth Thompson

Spring is just around the corner, have not decided what corner, but I am sure it is here. Once the smelts are gone, we should have some nice weather at last.

Heartfelt sympathies go out to Junior Davis on the loss of his best friend and wife. Also to his children. Gone but not forgotten. The Stewards of Economy United Church had a very successful Baked Bean and scallop supper last week.

Diane's restaurant is open for the season just for the weekends. It will be nice to know that there will be someplace to go for breakfast or other food. Grannies will be opening soon too.

Things are really hopping at Mo's on the weekend. From all reports, Fridays nights is the place to be.

Congratulations are in

order for David and Sarah Yorke on the birth of their daughter Kenzie May. Proud grandparents are David and Linda Yorke and Susan Gatti, also great grandparents Dennis and Dorothy Carson and Mary Smith and Ted Smith.

I had a visit from my sister, Helen on my birthday April 8th. Linda and Olsen Field also came to have supper with us.

The Economy Greenhouse is set to open on May 1st. Peter has a lot of the same transplants as last year as well as some new plants. Over in Great Village, Lowland Gardens is opening and will be celebrating their 25th anniversary later in May.

I guess this is all for now, so until next time, have a good month.

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## Doings @ the Development Centre

By Amy Chapman

Well it was worth the wait!! We had a marvelous trip to the Debert Firehall. Fireman Don, Fireman Murray and helper Gail really showed us a wonderful time. Fireman Don educated us about different types of fires while Fireman Murray put on his entire fire fighting suit so we could see how everything went together and how it helped to keep him safe during a fire. Helper Gail was very hospitable with some ice cream snacks for the kids and coffee and tea for the parents! All the trucks were explored and questions were asked and answered.

Local author Lisa Light-Mason attended school one morning and read her book,

"Nana Moon". She stayed and read another book and answered questions.

Once again Birthday Bowling is coming up with the children eagerly looking forward to it.

We are having our Open House day at the centre on Tuesday, May 18 from 2-4 and 6-8. Parents and children can meet the Teacher, register, ask questions, and check out the wonderful pre-school facility.

We would like at this time to remind everyone that our school is open from September to June yearly and all children are welcome to join in throughout the school year. If you would like to learn more about us, contact teacher MJ at the centre @ 662-2225.

## My Favourite Pet

Heather MacKay's family in Great Village enjoy Binkie, the family's pet rooster. Binkie is enjoying an early spring. The MacKay family will receive a \$20.00 Gift Certificate from Clarence's Farm Services and the Shoreline Journal.



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