



Volunteers Irene Gratto and Gail Hines (right) are surrounded by items for the upcoming fundraising auction in support of the Debert Military Museum. The auction will take place Saturday, April 28th at the Debert Fire Hall. Doors open at 9:30 a.m. (Harrington Photo)



Gail Hines and Irene Gratto stopped by Debert Elementary School to drop off posters for the Debert Military Museum's Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Poster Contest and students Lexi Turner and Paul Meredith were happy to start coloring. The posters will be on display at the Museum for this year's Grand Opening and Queen's Diamond Jubilee Celebration on May 26th. (Harrington Photo)



Austin Hennigar and Katie Webb display letters their classmates have written to other Grade Four students across Canada. Mrs. Loughhead's class is participating in the Great Canadian Mail Race, which involves researching Provinces and Territories and learning to write a friendly letter. Students will be anxiously awaiting replies to their letters. See the Debert Elementary School Notes on Page 26. (Harrington Photo)

## Military Museum Auction April 28<sup>TH</sup> GRAND OPENING MAY 26<sup>TH</sup>

By Linda Harrington

The Debert Military Museum will be holding a fundraising auction on Saturday, April 28th at the Debert Fire Hall. Doors will open at 9:30AM for viewing with the auction starting at 10:00AM.

A large assortment of items have been dropped off at the Museum over the last few months. Many new, slightly used and antique items are ready to go on the auction block. There will be a table with delicious sweets and beans and brown bread for sale.

Volunteers will be setting up for the auction at the fire hall on Friday, April 27th beginning about 6:00PM, if anyone has any items they would like to donate to the auction.

Looking ahead to May—the Museum's Grand Opening and Queen

Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Celebration will be held on May 26th, beginning with the flag raising at 11:00AM. The WWII Re-enactment Troop will be set-up on site for the day and a fundraising BBQ will be held.

The Museum has received \$3478 from Canada Heritage for the Diamond Jubilee Fund to assist with events celebrating the Queen's 60 year Reign. A banner will be unveiled at the Museum opening on May 26th.

Students at Debert Elementary School have been invited to submit posters and essays about the Queen, which will be on display during the Grand Opening, as well.

Future Diamond Jubilee events will be held on July 1st and on Peacekeepers Day, Aug 9th.

## MacCaull Villa Notes

By Hazel Hill

Allen Rouilston is a patient in Colchester Regional Hospital, Truro. Gary Rogers has returned from a trip to Kentucky. Merton Eagles spent Easter with his mother in Five Islands.

Micheal, Jennie and daughter, Fiona Rushton visited with Micheal's mother, Phyllis Rushton on Good Friday.

Ruth Thompson is spending a month visiting her daughter and son-in-law in Scarborough, Ontario. Elmer Hutt celebrated a birthday this month and was surprised with birthday cake in the

lounge. Everyone was there to have a piece of the cake.

The Glooscap Trail 4-H Club, Economy visited the Villa delivering Easter treats to us on Good Friday. We appreciate their kindness. Thanks so much to the group for the lovely Hot-Cross Buns and a gift of fruit.

Art Muise is recovering everyday and on Good Friday was out to the village and visited some of the folks here at the Villa. It was so nice to see you again, Art.

My great-granddaughter, Amanda Dennis had dinner with me on Easter Sunday.



Dr Karen Ewing shown with Innua, a life size polar bear costume worn at her protest on Parliament Hill on Earth Day on April 22nd. (Submitted)

## Local Physician Protests on Parliament Hill

Local physician, Dr Karen Ewing, Economy and Bass River, took her protest over the plight of the Polar Bear to Parliament Hill for Earth Day on April 22nd. Dr. Karen Ewing protested on Parliament Hill from 11am and 1pm wearing a life like Polar Bear costume to draw attention to the threatened species. Innua, as she is known, has visited schools and events locally but is now going to the nation's capital in an attempt to speak for the Polar Bears who cannot speak for themselves.

"The idea originated when I read that by the end of 2012 many female Polar Bears will be unable to reproduce as they don't have the food to sustain them due to the lack of sea ice. If that doesn't herald the end of a species I don't know what

does"...says Ewing. "I felt compelled to act and decided to take Innua to Parliament Hill on Earth Day will give a voice to the voiceless."

Polar Bears in Canada represent sixty percent of the world's Polar Bear population and are not protected. They themselves are hunted and the sea ice they need to hunt and feed is vanishing due to global warming. Ewing was promoting a petition being sponsored by Nature Canada which is focusing on an end to Global Warming without which the Polar Bear will be extinct by the end of the century. The petition may be found at [www.naturecanada.ca/advocate/global\\_warming](http://www.naturecanada.ca/advocate/global_warming)

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