



The sculpture of the world at Veteran's Memorial Park, Bass River, contributes to the importance and relevance of the park. (Feetham Photo)

Londonderry Community Council News

By Sally Richard

Remembrance Day is on the horizon. It is the one day of the year that is set aside for us to reflect the tragedies of war and to honour the men and women who served our country, are presently serving and especially those who gave the supreme sacrifice. The armistice that ended World War I was signed on November 11, 1918 on the eleventh hour. It is still observed today in many countries in the world.

After WWI and II and the Korean War Canada became a leader as peacekeepers around the world but that role also cost over several hundred military lives. In the past seven or eight years our military has become very involved in the Afghanistan war on terrorism. To date, 152 of our military personnel have lost their lives on Afghan soil and scores wounded. Our troops are scheduled to withdraw from that mission in July, 2011.

One way to honour our veterans and those who are presently serving our country is to attend a cenotaph service for a few moments of silence on November 11. A small tribute for us to pay for all those who have/or are enduring the many hardships of war to sustain our freedom. It may be a cold day so dress for it. If it is wet the service will likely be moved inside. It

is very important that respect and support be shown to our veterans and military personnel.

Thank you for supporting our roast beef dinner in October. Although attendance was down some because of a mix up in advertising we still did well. A special thanks to all the volunteers who really made it happen. Don't forget the hunters breakfasts are starting on Saturday, October 30 from 8am - 11 am and will continue each Saturday morning for the duration of deer hunting season.

The Council would like to express their sympathy to the family of the late Edgar Archibald. Edgar was a veteran of WWII and was widely known in this area for his mechanical and woodsmen skills. We were sorry to hear that Lloyd Bogle, formerly of here, suffered a stroke. Best wishes to Lloyd and also to Margaret Barnes who is battling the flu after returning from a trip to PEI. Barbara Potter had eye surgery in October. We sure missed her in the kitchen.

A speedy recovery to Jack Hines of Masstown who is back in the hospital. Jack attends almost all of our fundraisers. Congratulations to Ivan and Bertha Johnson on their 56th wedding anniversary on September 27. Charlotte and Reid MacVicar were away on a vacation

recently. Phyllis McLean and her son Robert visited Phyllis' brother Kenny and other relatives in Toronto.

Ivan, Bertha and their son Peter Johnson visited their daughter Jocelyn in Maine. Congratulations to Robbin and Christopher Spencer on the birth of their son Connor. Connor is a grandson to Ann and David Spencer.

A disappointing incident to report. On the evening of Saturday, October 16 the ball-field was torn up by a vehicle or 4-wheeler. Because the ground was so wet from rain the outfield was left with many large ruts as well as damage to the infield. "Go figure!" Many people worked very hard to bring the field into near perfect condition for the enjoyment of the community. Anyone with information on this thoughtless act is asked to contact our president Peggy Mattix.

Remembrance Day service will be held at Memorial Square on November 11 at 2 pm. Our poppy campaign starts October 29. A door-to-door canvas will be done as usual. Our monthly meetings are held on the first Sunday of each month at 7 pm. Everyone is welcome. Card parties are held on Monday nights at 7 pm. Tea, coffee, donuts and cheese are served. Contact Amanda Langille for hall rental inquiries at 668-2300.

Masstown Community News

By Chris Urquhart

Autumn is upon us with its cool nights and warm days; with all the leaves turning into their beautiful colors, at least those that still have leaves are! The geese are flying by in their V's and other birds are flocking together in preparation for their flight south.

Other birds, such as the blue jays and the junco's are arriving more and more at our feeders, and the goldfinches are starting to turn into their winter colors. Make sure that you keep your feeders full and remember, this is the time of year to put your suet feeders out again. The birds need all the nourishment you can give them!

Here in Masstown we are racking up leaves, setting pumpkins on our door steps and putting up Hallowe'en decorations. It is that time of year again! Set October 30th aside to go to either the Community Park - weather permitting - or to the Masstown United Church basement from 1-3pm for our annual Pumpkin Carving. Because of hoping to host this outdoors this year we are not asking the children to come in costumes but just to come and have a great time! We send special "Thanks" to Blake's Pumpkin Patch for donating the pumpkins. All children must be accompanied by an adult and if you have carving tools please bring them along. There will be treats for the children and this is a cost free day! I look forward to seeing you there.

Lots of people have been visiting either here in Masstown or away. As you

know I spent three weeks in Europe - two weeks in England and a week in Scotland. Rhona Gomez-Murray went to Ontario to visit her sister. Husband Wade and sons Ryan and Tyler drove her up on the long weekend and then returned home. Rhona returned by train two weeks later.

Scott Trenholm, his wife Brenda and granddaughter Kieya Trenholm from St. Catherine's Ontario visited his mother Rosemary Baas. Jerry and Jean Clements from Sarnia Ontario visited Aubrey and Irene Gratto. Carol Nicols spent a week and a half in Cambridge Ontario visiting relatives.

Congratulations go out this month to new grandparents Peter and Paula Digout on the birth of their new grandson Walker Treby, son of Bruce and Dale (nee Digout) Treby.

Congratulations to new great grandparents Lloyd and Carol Nicols-Marshall on the birth of great granddaughter Scarlett Chagnoin, daughter of Mark and Carolanne Chagnoin of Parsborro, and granddaughter of Brain and Cathy Nicols.

Condolences go out this month to: Rosemary Baas on the death of her sister-in-law and to Chris Urquhart on the death of her cousin by marriage of Claire Johnson; Benny Cavanagh, daughters Michelle and Sarah and Mary, and to Wayne McCray on the death of mother, grandmother, sister and great grandmother Jean Cavanagh; Audrey Smith on the death of her friend Carl Thompson; E. Wallace (Wally) Olmstead and his family on the death of his mother Frances Jean Olmstead and Lloyd Marshall and family on the death of his sister Sadie Ellen Marshall.

Enjoy the fall colors and temperatures, it will soon be winter!

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