

Bass River Elementary Grade 3/4 class recently completed beautiful baskets during a workshop presented by Kim Swett, a CCRSB Speech and Language Professional. Left to right: Chloe Faulkner, Mason MacBurnie, Jared Phinney, Cullen patriquin, Robin Davis, John Robinson, Blade Turner, Cece McLaughlin, Breanna Young and teacher Lisa McCully. (Harrington Photo)



Bass River Fire Brigade's Becky Platnauer and "Fireman Pete" Christensen stopped by Bass River Elementary on Oct. 24th to oversee a fire drill and present a fire prevention message. Primary students were getting a close-up view of some of the gear. (Harrington Photo)

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The SAC held their first of 6 meetings for the year. On the council this year are: Krista Tait, Kim Keizer, Andrea Bentham, Neela Mattatal, Cynthia Dunning-Zwicker, Mike Burry, Jenny Stiles and Lynda Stevenson. They are still looking for one community member to complete the council. If you know of anyone that could fill this position; like a grandparent that lives in the area, please have them contact the school. The meeting dates are as follows: October 3rd, Nov. 7th, Feb. 6th, April 3rd, and June 5th @ 6:00PM.All are welcome!

On Mondays at recess Mrs. Weatherbee and Mrs. White walk laps around the school with any child who want to participate. After school on Mondays Mrs. Davidson does Yoga from 3:15-4:15. Mr. Gunn gets the students skipping at recess time on Tuesdays. Starting on October 10th all students will be participating in Zumba with their classroom teacher and instructor Stepahine Bilby. Thursdays after school is Art Club with Mrs. Keizer and Miss Tait from 3:15-4:15. Thank you to our volunteers for offering these

The PTG hosted a Halloween Dance on Oct. 25th.A spooktacular time was

had by all. Activities included face painting, tattoos, and, new this year, a photo booth.

The PTG will be funding class skating trips to the Debert rink. Skating will take place during school hours and students will be bussed to and from the rink. Each class will go skating three times.

If you are in need of skates or a helmet, please contact the office indicating what size skates, boy/girl preference and helmet size.

Skates can be transported on the bus but must be in a bag that is NOT plastic, e.g., a reusable grocery bag or back-

Students will be heading to Debert Elementary School on Nov. 5th to enjoy a visit from Cyber Cop.

I Heard it at the Company Store for their concern, cards,

By Wendy Cox

Do you know what I heard? I heard there have been a couple of lucky deer hunters the first day of the season, getting their deer in the first few hours of the hunt. Congrats to N.C and R.K. Oh, the mincemeat cooking on the stove is a wonderful smell and the pie in the oven at Christmas is even better.

Speaking of hunting, the hunter's breakfast is back on at the Londonderry Hall for the season...good breakfast at a good price. The hunters bring a bit of, shall I say, entertainment to the coffee pot in the morning at the store. I always look forward to the 'tails' of the season.

I have some sad news to report this time. And I did hear this at the company store.The Silica Lake Nursing Home camp in Castlereigh burnt to the ground, sometime in the last week or so...not sure of all the details before press time but I do hear they will be rebuilding, which is happy news. The nursing home has been a stopping place for anyone who has an ATV or 4wheel drive or snowmobile.

A Remembrance Day service will be held at the Veterans Memorial Park again this year. I suggest, anyone going should be there by 10:45 for the parade of veterans and others into the park. There will be refreshments to follow at the school.

As some of you may know, my mother, Alice, had emergency surgery on a brain aneurysm this month. We would like to thank everyone

phone calls, visits. She is recuperating well at the OEll and should be home first week of November.

The municipal elections have taken place, congratulations to Tom Taggart in winning his council seat again and to Jim Grue as our School Board representative once again.

As I have reported in the past, the new community playground and park is still in the works. Things did not progress as well as we hoped it would. We had to bring our new principal up to speed and also waiting for all the different levels of government to get together with timelines and all. But we are still expecting to have some of the equipment in before the snow falls. I will keep you informed as best I can.

Our condolences go out to the families of Muriel Cooke, a resident of Highland Village for many years, also to the family of Peg Fletcher, Bass River, Gary Jackson, Bass River and Nancy Lewis, New Zealand formerly Bass River.

The ladies of Riverside United Church are having a soup luncheon on Dec.2nd at 11:30am. A yummy bowl of homemade soup in December is always good and I bet they will have homemade biscuits and rolls to go with it too.

There will be a Christmas Carol Sing in the Five Islands Peniel United Church on Dec. 9th at 7pm. Anyone wanting to join the choir should contact Valerie Pugsley. This year the Christmas Eve service will be in the Economy Church.

Historic Sites ALONG THE SHORE - Londonderry Rail

The Shoreline Journal, in collaboration with the Colchester Historical Society Archives, have inaugurated an ongoing feature utilizing a combination of the digital "A. F. Church Maps" to pin point the circa 1875 location of a Colchester site of historical importance, and connect it to an archival photograph of that site, in that frame.



The arrow pointer on map # 310 picks out the approximate spot in Acadia Mines (now Londonderry Mines) where this photo was taken in the late 1870's or early eighties. It shows the large engine of the Inter Colonial Railroad on the left running on the standard gage track, and the smaller, mine company engine operating on their own narrow gauge rail line, which served the Iron Works, hauling material from the rail yard to various parts of the complex, waste slag to the slag pile and iron ore from the mines across the river and from Lornevale

In the early 1870's, when the rail line was built from Truro to Amherst the building of this rail loop, which created Acadia Mines Station, (Londonderry Station) was very controversial, and costly, as it was constructed solely to serve the mine company. Without the need to service



the mine, the rail road would have logically crossed the Folly River at Glenholme, and then turned right, and followed the river val-

ley to Folly Lake and on to Wentworth and Amherst. The mines and the controversy are long past, all that remains is the annoying clatter of the freight trains passing thru the sleepy hamlet of Londonderry Station.

Dick Akerman has been compiling information on behalf of the Colchester Historical Museum Archives, which will be published as a monthly column in the Shoreline Journal.



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