

“Brazil in Great Village” – October 3rd

Following the highly successful 2008 “Word in the Village” day of celebration of Elizabeth Bishop’s connection to Great Village and Nova Scotia, Great Village is hosting “BRAZIL IN GREAT VILLAGE,” another day-long of celebration on Saturday, October 3.

Events Include:

Capoeira workshop: Join the instructors from Dende do Recife Halifax to learn this traditional African-Brazilian dance/martial art. For ages 12 and up.
Time: 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. 1 ½ hour workshop.
Location: Great Village School gymnasium.
Pre-registration recommended. Students – Free. Adults – Good will donation.
Contact: Heather MacKay at 668-2501
greatvillagelearningnetwork@gmail.com
Sponsored by Great Village Community Association, with special thanks to the Colchester Regional Development Agency.

Reading by Truro author and raconteur Paul Zann
Time: 9:00 to 10:00 a.m. For children of all ages.
Location: St. James United Church sanctuary. Free.

Walking Tour of Elizabeth Bishop’s Great Village.
Time: 10:00 to 11:00 a.m.
Location: Meet in parking lot of St. James United Church at 9:55 a.m. If it’s raining, bring an umbrella!
Tour Guide: Bishop scholar Sandra Barry. Free.

Brazilian Lunch: The first taste of Brazil with traditional soups, breads and sweets.
Time: 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
Location: Lower level of St. James United Church.
Cost: \$5.00 adult; children under 12 \$3.00.
Sponsored by the Great Village Community Association.

Bios of artists

Dende do Recife (www.dendedorecifehalifax.ca) is a capoeira group that was founded in 2005 by Contra-Mestre Azeitona, Contra-Mestre Fabio Cuenacas, and Monitora Paula. Their goal was to further develop capoeira here in Canada and to emphasize the style and culture of their home city: Recife in the province of Pernambuco in Brazil’s Northeast. Contra-Mestre Azeitona leads the group in Halifax as he has done since he first arrived there in 2003. Along with Monitora Paula they have created a vibrant community around their skills as capoeira teachers, dancers and musicians. Dende Do Recife is actively running a dance studio in Halifax where there are weekly classes for children, beginners, and advanced students.

Paul Zann was born in Australia and emigrated to Canada with his wife and daughter (Truro-Bible Hill MLA Lenore Zann) in 1968. He has been a Writer-in-Community for the Writers’ Federation of Nova Scotia. Paul’s work has been published in England, Spain, Australia, United States, and extensively across Canada. His book of poetry, *Crouching at the Keyhole*, was published in 2007. Paul’s children’s book series about Australian animals, *The Aussie Six*, is published by Borealis Press in Ottawa.

John Barnstead was born in Schenectady, New York, where all good science fiction ideas originate. He is Associate Professor of Russian at Dalhousie University and President of the Elizabeth Bishop Society of Nova Scotia. Recently he was made a minor character in the Robert A. Heinlein/Spider Robinson novel *Variable Star*. In 2007 he founded Peregrination Press, dedicated to publishing new poetry, both Canadian and international, as well as essays in literary and social criticism. Peregrination Press titles include *Tribute*, by Toronto poet Shirley Small, and *Riding the Hellbound Train*, a book of essays, interviews, and stories by Tom Trumpinski. John is a sponsor of B.C. choreographer Jeanne Robinson’s *Stardance Project*, further information about which may be found at www.stardancemovie.com.

most famous and best loved poems and stories about Nova Scotia during her fifteen years in Brazil in the 1950s and 1960s.
On Saturday, October 3, 2009, Great Village community organizations will host a series of events in celebra-

“Black Beans & Diamonds”: A Concert of poetry and music.
Poet John Barnstead and the musicians of Cocada (Joanne Hatfield, Jef Wirchenko and Dawn Hatfield), present a tribute to Bishop’s Brazilian years. Hosted by CBC-Radio 1 broadcaster Carmen Klassen. Concert will be followed by a chat between Ms Klassen and the performers.
Time: 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.
Location: St. James United Church sanctuary.
Cost: \$10.00.
Sponsored by the Elizabeth Bishop Society of Nova Scotia.

Brazilian Flavours Community Supper and Talk by Joy Snihur Wyatt Laking : Join the Friends of St. James for a meal of traditional Brazilian food, with an after supper presentation, “Our travels in Brazil, Paraguay, Argentina and Bolivia in 2009,” by Joy Laking and Jim Wyatt.
Time: 4:30 p.m. (one sitting)
Location: Great Village Legion. Reservations requested.
Cost: \$10.00; children under 12 \$5.00.
Contact: Meredith Layton: 668-2086; or Linda Shears: Lornevale55@yahoo.com
Sponsored by the Friends of St. James Church.

The children of the Great Village School will display their art-work and writing about Elizabeth Bishop and Brazil at St. James United Church during the day and at the Great Village Legion during the evening.
For general information contact Sandra Barry at slbarry@ns.sympatico.ca.

Cocada, with Brookfield piano teacher and composer Joanne Hatfield on guitar and vocals, Jef Wirchenko on double bass, and Dawn Hatfield on flute, began with Joanne’s interest in Brazilian music and her learning to play and sing many Bossa Nova standards. Dawn, a music educator, composer and performer, is a versatile musician who plays baritone sax, flute and ukulele. Jef, at age sixteen, began his professional career as a musician with singer/songwriter Shirley Jackson. Well-known as a blues bassist, Jef explores many styles of music, playing in a variety of ensembles. This trio found themselves playing together for fun at campfire jams. Now they are pleased to offer their easy-going take on Brazilian standards, along with lesser-known pieces of that country, and original Cocada compositions.

Carmen Klassen has lived in Nova Scotia for the past 11 years. She spent most of her youth in Thunder Bay, Ontario, where she landed her first job at CBC-Radio. She moved to Halifax for another job as regional arts reporter with CBC, and has subsequently hosted the afternoon show out of Halifax, and worked on Maritime Noon as well. She is presently filling in on All the Best on CBC-Radio 1. And stay tuned – news of another spot on the CBC air-waves is coming soon.

In **Jim Wyatt’s** earlier life he was an air force navigator, an administrator, an active volunteer, a farmer as well as a lawyer. Now he is a volunteer on the district Health Board and with Joy, he runs the Joy Laking Gallery.

Joy Snihur Wyatt Laking has been a painter all her life. The daughter of an artist, she graduated from university with a degree in Fine Arts in 1972. Since that time she has lived and painted in Nova Scotia. To see more about Joy’s work go to: www.joylaking-gallery.com. Joy and Jim spent two months earlier this year travelling (on a shoestring) in South America. Their talk will include some of Joy’s prose written during that trip, photos of her paintings, as well as photography and anecdotes by Jim.



Chiganois Elementary held a Terry Fox Run on Sept. 23rd., with students walking around the school for last period. Grade Primary students Anderson Scott, Hannah Burke, Brooke Brown and Zachary Wynott enjoyed their walk in the sunshine while raising money for a good cause. (Harrington Photo)

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Fall Kickoff

**SATURDAY
OCTOBER 3RD
11 am - 4 pm**

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Fall Clean Up Tips and Reminders

- Consult your waste collection calendar to determine when clean up will be occurring in your neighborhood
- All items must be placed within 10 feet of the road by 7 am on the Monday of your collection week
- The total amount to be set out cannot exceed 650 lbs (imagine the amount that can fit into the back of a half tonne truck)
- Only one of each type of appliance (fridge, stove, freezer, washer, dryer) will be collected per household
- Electronics, such as televisions, computers, printers, stereos, VCR’s, DVD players and monitors will NOT be collected curbside during clean up. Visit www.ACEStewardship.ca or call 1-877-774-3260 for a complete list of electronics or to find out your nearest drop off location.

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