



Karen Casey, MLA is flanked by Municipality of County of Colchester Mayor Bob Taylor and Gary Burrill, NDP MLA at the Debert Military Museum on Peacekeepers Day on August 9th. (Submitted Photo)

Londonderry Community Council News

By Sally Richard

In a few weeks we will be celebrating Thanksgiving with family. Besides giving thanks for our bountiful food supply we should all take time to remember our armed forces personnel in prayer who are on the battle front with the Taliban. These men and women are risking everything to help bring stability to the war torn Afghanistan people.

Just recently another young soldier was lost to an IED (hidden bomb) which also seriously wounded another. Since then, the Taliban sent two little girls into one of our front camps on a donkey loaded with explosives. Three of our soldiers were seriously injured and the little girls blown apart. The cruelty and ruthlessness of the Taliban is just beyond comprehension.

Give thanks that we are blessed to live in such a wonderful country where humanity is celebrated. Sometimes we fail to appreciate our surroundings and freedoms. "In all things give thanks", - from the bible. A heartfelt thank you to the management and staff of

Foodland in Stewiacke for sending 16 huge food boxes to our troops. My son called elated with the gifts of food and treats as morale was at a low point after the above stories and weeks of living on rations.

He asked that we express his gratitude to the Foodland management and staff which was done promptly. It seems that after seven years at war in Afghanistan our troops are sort of forgotten. Darren Schriver, Manager of Foodland in Stewiacke, says his store and staff plan more boxes and he is also helping the school to do likewise.

The Community Council held their first meeting on September 12 after summer break. Last month the floors at the Center were stripped and waxed by Service Master.

On October 3, our first fundraiser will take place with a roast beef supper from 4-6 pm. Pick up, take outs are available. Come and support the Community Center as we kick off a new season. Hunters breakfasts will begin on October 30 and continue every Saturday morning from 8-11 am during hunting season. If you

can volunteer to help out in anyway, please contact President, Peggy Mattix. On November 7, the Community Council will be catering to a roast beef dinner to members and guests of Masonic Lodge #74.

A baseball tournament in memory of Gage Lewis was held on September 11 at the ballfield. In spite of the rain a good turnout was reported but not as successful as other years. It is strange how you can lose contact with someone for years and then see them twice within a month.

It was great to see Norma (MacLean) Crouse, former resident of Londonderry now living in Coldstream. Norma mentioned that her sister Pauline is not very well. Pauline lives in Toronto and recently lost her husband. Norma works at KFC in Stewiacke. She subscribes to Shoreline to keep up on the news from home.

If you are ever at KFC in Stewiacke, look for Norma. She will be pleased to see you. Dennise and Glenn Miller enjoyed a fall trip to Florida recently. Debbie Richard and Charles Nelson of Toronto are visiting their

By Denise Gilley

Boy, oh boy, how time flies. The children have been back in school nearly a month now. It'll soon be Hallowe'en!

Before I go any further, I would like to express many thanks and appreciation to everyone who helped make this year's Heritage Day in August such a success. I won't name names because I'm sure to forget someone. But, to everyone who helped set-up, display, man tables, direct traffic, bake, cook, purchase, donate, volunteer and everything in between - we thank you. It was a great day with some fun and unique additions. There were some brave souls who tried their hand at sawing logs (the hard way), many folks walked away with new "finger-nails" and there was some friendly competition for the winning cake bid. A great day all around.

family and friends in the area.

Further to last month's story in the Shoreline featuring Brooke Densmore of Belmont and the Elite Thunder Selected of Halifax. Londonderry also has a connection to the elite basketball team. Shea MacDonald of Bedford is a member of the team. Shea is the daughter of Janice and Glen MacDonald and granddaughter of Glenn and Lorraine (Canning) McCully, Dartmouth.

Glenn and Lorraine attended the New Hampshire tournament but unfortunately were not able to attend the Montreal games when the Thunder Selects won the International Championship. Both Glenn and Lorraine are extremely proud of Shea's achievements. Shea is the great granddaughter of the late Avis Canning who was well known in this area.

Our monthly meetings are held on the first Sunday of each month at 7 pm. We need new members and new ideas. Please make a commitment to serve your community. 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.

Bass River Heritage News

We've recently acquired copies of a reprinted edition of the "Fulton Family of Atlantic Canada" book and copies can be purchased for \$10.00 at the museum on weekends until Thanksgiving and after from a Heritage member. It would be a great book to have and also makes a nice gift, Christmas is a few short months away!

Finally, we've had a good summer season once again at the museum and we'll continue to remain open on weekends until Thanksgiving so if you were too busy through the summer, take some time now and drop by for a look around.

Our next meeting will be October 11th, all are welcome.

News From The Past

Bass River Students Make Good Showing: BASS RIVER, Sept. 20 (1947) - Of the fourteen pupils in Grade eleven writing Provincial Examinations, eleven got full passes and three got partials.

The Grade eleven pupils were: Grant Walls, George Durning, Nathalie Durning, Everett Gilbert, Ashley Marsters, Arthur Hegan, Vera Fowler, Carol Dykens, Walter Miller, Walter Lewis, Carlton McLellan, Gerald MacNeill, Annetta Silver, Harold Bogle.

Of the seven pupils in Grade 12, five got full passes and two got partials. The Grade 12 pupils were: Hazel Sharpe, Curtis Lewis, Willena Murphy, Douglas Lawson, Keith Fowler, Jean Hegan, Marie Carde.

Principal Keith L. Perry has been here four years and has given good service. He is assisted by an able staff of teachers consisting of Miss R. Jean Smith of Stewiacke, Junior High; Mrs. Logan Lewis (nee Miss Avis Ashley); Miss Kathleen Starritt. We wish the above teachers and pupils another successful year.

Harold Welch has opened up a novelty shop at Little Bass River. He manufactures his own goods.



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