



Even though the weather had turned colder workers from Eric Henwood Contracting were completing late fall exterior repairs to the Hall, Parrsboro. (Submitted)

Six Service Awards Presented to Parrsboro Volunteer Fire Fighters

By James Shaw

On Saturday December 3rd, The Parrsboro Fire Department held their annual Christmas Banquet at the Glooscap Restaurant. Unfortunately, three members were not able to attend due to work commitments. As the new chief, I kicked things off for the evening, by welcoming everyone who was able to attend, including surrounding department including: Joe Atkinson, Chief, Southampton; Wyman Bowden, Chief, FPW, and Deputy Chief Darrell Spence Five Islands.

He quoted the Fireman's Oath, "I am Bound to Protect those who are in Danger, Those in a time in Need, Those who I need to Serve", before the start of a wonderful meal prepared by the Glooscap Tavern team.

Six Service Awards were presented, after the meal to: Allan Bennett, Jason Rose, Ken Wood and Steve Wood each receiving their One Year Pins.

Aubrey Fenton, received his 15 year Service Pin, along with a Name Banner that was on his Turnout Coat. Aubrey served as Chief and Deputy Chief for the Department over his 15 years, but has resigned due to medical issues. Everyone thanked Aubrey for his dedication over the years.

One special award was presented during the evening.

James Atkinson received his 40 Year Service Pin, Second Bar, Federal Service Award, and a Departmental Service Helmet. Jim is the second member of the department to the 40 year milestone in the department. During the four decades, Jim has served as Chief and is currently serving as Deputy Chief.

Atkinson, gave a short speech after receiving his Awards, saying "throughout my years in the department there have been some ups and downs, but it has always been a great organization to be a part of, and looks forward to serving for more years to come."

All members were thanked for their efforts put in through the year, and recognized for the continued training and events that go over and beyond, "Being a Firefighter".

In February the department is planning its annual food bank drive. Details will be announced in the next issue of the South Cumberland News.

(Editor Note: James Shaw, newly elected chief at Parrsboro Fire Department thought he was being real helpful getting photos of members who received awards of service at the Departments Annual Banquet. Without realizing it, his digital camera malfunctioned and lost its memory. Hence no photos.)

PHOTO FEATURE

The annual Parrsboro Santa Clause parade attracted a large crowd and to the thrill the RCMP captured and handcuffed the Grinch to the amusement of young and old. Several winning floats are pictured on this page. Other award winners, not pictured, were Open Arms for the Religious Entry Award, while the Animal Entry award was won by "Ladies with Bells".



Sam Fields entry from Field's Contracting won the local small business group award for this entry.



Always involved in most of the community activities in Parrsboro, the Lions Club made sure this entry captured the attention of the crowd.



Frank Warren and Donna Hanna picked up the junior local non-business for entering their grandchildren in the parade.

Grinch Arrested in Parrsboro

By Maurice Rees

The bad weather earlier in the week left town just in time for Parrsboro's annual Christmas Parade on Friday, December 2nd was a wonderful event. According to Lawrence Nicoll, who supplied the photography it was the largest in his memory. He added the huge crowd enjoyed every minute including all the candy.

Fortunately the RCMP caught the Grinch before he could spoil the event and took him away in cuffs. The children roared their approval and scooped up even more of the spoils. Several winners of the Board of Trade sponsored parade were announced. Following the parade Santa went to the Hall to meet people and for pictures.

The winners were as follows: Local Big Business/Group Winner - CrossRoads Co-Op; Visitor Entry Award - Municipality of Cumberland; Local Non-Business Award -Adult - RCMP (arresting the Grinch);

Local Non-Business Award -Junior -Whoville, Frank Warren and Donna Hanna with their grandchildren;

Religious Entry Award - Open Arms; Animal Entry Award -Ladies with Bells; and Local Small Business/Group Award -Sam Fields with his entry from Field's Contracting.

Other entries in the parade, some of which are pictured here, included: Parrsboro Predators hockey team; Harrison's Home Hardware; Parrsboro Board of Trade with its own entry; Adult Day Care Unit from the hospital; Parrsboro Lions Club and Port Greville Fire Department.



The visitor entry award was presented to the Municipality of Cumberland. The parade was sponsored by the Parrsboro Board of Trade.



It was an evening of fun for members of the Parrsboro Predators Hockey team.



Troy Harrison walks alongside the C. E. Harrison Home Hardware float.



Even though they sponsored and organized the parade, the Parrsboro Board of Trade participated with its own float.



The adult day care unit from the Parrsboro hospital even got into the evening of fun by entering this float.



Taking a break from answering fire alarms and calls for First Responders, the Port Greville Fire Department made its presence known during the parade.

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