

# Rudolph's Celebrate 50<sup>TH</sup> Anniversary



Elsie and Owen Rudolph celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary at the Onslow Community Centre. (Chris Urquhart Photo)

By *Chris Urquhart*

Recently on August 16th Owen and Elsie Rudolph of Masstown celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary. Celebrations were held at the Onslow Community Centre with around 200 people attending! It was a wonderful celebration! Elsie and Owen, who now live in Masstown are formally from West Indian Road and Dean. They were married in the United Church in Upper Nine Mile River by the Rev. E.V. Forbes who had also married Elsie's parents George and Edith Clarke in 1938.

The Community Centre was wall to wall with family and friends. There were four

generations present - Elsie & Owen, daughter Lisa Telder, Lisa's son Benjamin and his wife Dianna and their sons Shane and Jax from Nine Mile River. Owen and Elsie's children were all present: Vincent Rudolph, Debort; Donna and her fiancée Tim Brown and Donna's daughter Shianne, Cold Lake Alberta; Warren Rudolph and his children, Julie and Kasey, Prince George, BC; Lisa Telder, Fort McMurray Alberta and Kenneth Rudolph, Shubenacadie.

Elsie and Owen send special "Thanks" to daughter Lisa who did most of the preparations including the decorating. Owen and Elsie Rudolph's sisters and brothers were also all in attendance: Tim Rudolph and

Linda Watson, Economy; Helen Richardson, Mulgrave; Danny and Shirley Rudolph, Brookfield; Norman and Sandy Clarke, Prince George, BC; Gary and Laura Selig, Riverview New Brunswick; Carolyn and David Borden, Lower Sackville; Jack and Mary Manley, Bible Hill and Everett and Marilyn Clarke, West Indian Road.

There were also friends from Amherst, Stellarton and Sherbrooke as well as those from Masstown and surrounding areas. There were ample refreshments for all to enjoy and entertainment by Jack Manley, Richard and Edna McClland and Joyce Arshaw. What a party! Congratulations to both Elsie and Owen on the 50th Wedding Anniversary!

# Need a Reason to Exercise?

By *Chris Urquhart*

If you feel you have a need to exercise, here are 7. Want to feel better, have more energy and perhaps even live longer? Exercise is the answer.

Here are seven ways exercise improves your life: 1. Exercise improves your mood. 2. Exercise combats chronic diseases. 3. Exercise helps you manage your weight. 4. Exercise boosts your energy level. 5. Exercise promotes better sleep. 6. Exercise can put the spark back into your sex life. 7. Exercise can be fun. Find an activity you enjoy, and go for it.



# Closing of Elizabeth Bishop House Artist Retreat

By *Sandra Barry*

24 November 2004 was the closing date for our purchase of the Elizabeth Bishop House. Almost from that day, we were sharing the house with our artist friends, even when there was very little furniture. The response from our alumni was almost universally kind and grateful for the opportunity to experience this space, so important in Bishop's childhood. As each year passed, demand increased and in the past decade many dozens of artists have spent time in the house writing, painting, composing, taking photographs, reading and resting.

We have been glad to share the house with so many creative people. Earlier this year we announced our intention to sell and now the house is listed on the open market: ([http://www.novascotiaproperty.info/Truro/Nova\\_Scotia/Homes/Great\\_Village/Agent/Listing\\_125249684.html](http://www.novascotiaproperty.info/Truro/Nova_Scotia/Homes/Great_Village/Agent/Listing_125249684.html))

This year has been another busy one, especially this summer, but it has become apparent that demand for the retreat has begun a natural ebb, as artists realize the house will change hands. As a result, we are announcing that as of 31 December 2014, the Elizabeth Bishop House Artist Retreat will be officially closed - though we



April Sharpe talked about the design of her "In the Village Banner" and read "Manners", one of Elizabeth Bishop's poems during the "In the Village Cafe Afternoon" at St. James United Church in Great Village. (Harrington Photo)



Sandra Barry looks on as Maria Duynisveld reads her poem "Wallace by the Sea" at the "In the Village Cafe Afternoon" at St. James United Church in Great Village. (Harrington Photo)

will be winding down this aspect of the house through the fall. The Elizabeth Bishop House will still exist, of course, and we are endeavouring to find the best next owners (it is a top priority), but as a place of retreat and rest, that time under our watch has come to an end.

In some ways, it is sad; but the past decade has been a great run for us and the house. We are honoured to have had the privilege and pleasure of meeting so many wonderful people and offering them a space to work. We have endeavoured to take care of this dear old house to the best of our ability and will ensure its safe passage to the next dwellers. We are also deeply grateful for all the support and good will we have received during the past ten years. Thanks for the memories.

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