

# **Beaver Bank Kinsac Bulletin**

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The Voice of the Beaver Bank Community Awareness Association

# 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Town Hall Meeting

The Annual Town Hall Meeting will be held on Thursday, May 13<sup>th</sup> at the Harold T Barrett Jr High Gym
Starting at 7 pm, doors open at 6:30
Refreshments will be served following the Meeting.

## This year's theme is:

"Co-operation in the Community: Working Together and Staying Connected"

One of the BBCAA's main functions is to keep the Community informed, in order to do that we maintain ties to all the Community Groups, to help them promote their events and provide assistance if needed. This year we would like to celebrate all the groups that make Beaver Bank Kinsac a great place to live.

Our guest list is not yet confirmed, please check the website for further updates. The Minutes of the 2009 Town Hall Meeting are posted on the website www. beaverbank.ca, click the BBCAA button at the top of the webpage, and see the menu to the right. There will be a motion to accept these minutes as published. A few copies will be available on the night of the meeting.

# Policing in Beaver Bank Kinsac

The recent events concerning HRM Council's vote on Policing should remind us that not all issues, once put to bed, stay there. In fact it was pointed out to me by Mr Dave Barrett, past chair of the BBCAA and former Board Member, that this issue has come up before.

It had been suggested at the time of amalgamation that the Halifax Regional Police be responsible for all policing in HRM. At the February 1997 Annual Town Hall Meeting, with approx 200 people in attendance a motion was brought forward to keep the RCMP as our community police force. With Mayor Walter Fitzgerald in attendance, a standing vote was taken and carried in favour of the motion with only one person dissenting. Did you know that the RCMP have been policing Beaver Bank since 1932?

It is clear reading Councillor Dalrymple's report in this issue that the RCMP still have strong support in the sub-urban and rural areas. We in Beaver Bank helped to pioneer Community Based Policing with one of the first RCMP Community Policing Offices.

Although this issue is resolved for now, it could cycle again. I urge all current and future councillors to remember that the RCMP have strong support. Any decision in the future regarding their role in our communities must be made in an open way, with clear numbers, due diligence and in the face of real Federal Funding changes, not possible ones.

-Dorothy Selig

# "THANK YOU" TO ALL RCMP VOLUNTEERS!

I wish to say "THANK YOU ALL" for continuing to keep the RCMP OFFICE up and running after the tragedy of having the Community Centre lost in the fire. We lost almost everything.

We all appreciate the Principal and Staff for giving us the office at H.T.B. to continue our efforts in supporting our Community. We hope if any residents needs our assistance, you will



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#### **Scout & Guide Registration**

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Community Center Rates & Bookings Please call the Centre at 865-5114 RCMP Non-Emergency Number 244-7208

\* CC - Community Centre

call us at H.T.B. 864-6072. We are open (when possible) Monday thru Friday 9:00 am to 4:00 pm when the school is open. Our Community Police Officer can also be reached through our office.

Once again: THANK YOU:

-Office Manager, Ginnie Lively

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# **Open Fires Currently Banned in HRM**

For the months of Jan and Feb your Fire Dept has responded to 19 calls. They consisted of: 1 mutual aid structure fire, 1 chimney fire, 2 minor fires, 2 fire investigations, 2 MVA's, 4 alarm activations and 7 medical assists. This is about normal for this time of the year. As you can see we are doing good with only one chimney fire. Remember though to check those chimneys if you haven't done so yet this year. This is the time of year when chimney fires occur the most; as we are not burning as hot, due to the weather warming up. Weather has a lot to do with the amount of calls we do during the first three months of the year. Jan and Feb have been good months for us over all.

By the time this Bulletin reaches you we should have full power back in the fire hall. This will make life at the hall so much easier. We can try to set up some sort of office in the bays, get some phones set up etc. I must say that all the members have been great considering what they have been working with the last 6 months.

Just a reminder that April 15th to Oct 15 burn permits are required to burn brush. We are expecting a dryer spring so there could be some changes in the dates. (**Please note:** Open Fires in HRM were banned in Mid-March, further updates will be broadcast.) I don't have to remind you how important it is to burn safely. We have had some very significant fires in HRM the last couple of years; we don't need anything like that here in Beaver Bank. Illegal burning will be taken seriously. For more info on open air burning and how to protect your home from wild-land fires go to: http://www.halifax.ca/FirePrevention/OpenAirBurning.html

Campfires are allowed in the burn zone as long as you follow the regulations, which you can find at: http://www.halifax.ca/fireprevention/CodesRegulations.html

In closing I just want to warn you about using laptops on beds, sofas etc. Anyone who has used a laptop will know how hot they can get. Laptops have a fan which keeps them cool, if you leave them on a soft surface (bed or sofa) the cooling vents can be restricted and the laptop can heat up to a point where it can ignite the bed or sofa. Also you should have already changed those batteries in that smoke alarm when you changed your clock. These alarms save lives, use them.

-Play Safe, Chief Gord West

# **Lions Socials Held Every Friday Night**

The Beaver Bank Lions had a very successful children's skate party in Feb, thank you to all those who came out to volunteer. Our Friday night socials are an on going event for those who would like to spend a few hours in good company, or have a home cooked meal. With spring just around the corner the Lions will again be making improvements to their surrounding property.

As always remember to collect used stamps, old eyeglasses, ink cartridges, used cell phones, and for our new project used hearing aides (five years and younger) these can be refurbished for use right here in N.S. for those in need. We also have a gentleman who is collecting pop tabs and egg cartons. All of these can be given to a community Lion or be dropped off at Hartlen's Esso, 2409 Beaver Bank Rd.

If anyone is in need of a walker, cane, crutches, or wheelchair please call us we have some to lend out. If you have any of these items you no longer use we would be glad to take them.

A very Happy Easter to everyone.

-P.R.C. Lion Carolyn Pitts, 865-5479

911 Civic Signs can be Ordered From the BBK Volunteer FD From 7 to 8 pm on Tuesday's, a deposit is required \$5 single sided or \$10 double sided

# Guess Who's Coming to Dinner - II

On March 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Beaver Bankers opened their homes to host dinners to support the BBK Community Centre Rebuild Fund. After receiving a phone call at 5:00 pm, guests ventured to the "mystery" addresses where they were treated to fine food, great company and superb conversation. Here are some testimonials:

"We had heard about this type of event from my in-laws. They had one organized through their church and had a great experience and when I saw it advertised before Christmas I mentioned it to my husband as something to try. It was a bit out of our comfort zone as it may not be a group known to you like in a church community ... you could have gone anywhere in Beaver Bank. We convinced another couple to join us so we would at least have their company. Everyone had some apprehension as 5 pm approached (including our hosts I'm sure) ...would we know our hosts, what if we didn't like what they cooked? What if we didn't get along? We shouldn't have worried. Our hosts were awesome and made us feel very much at home. We didn't know them when we arrived, but recognized them, and by the end of the evening realized we had some mutual friends. I would highly recommend this experience as an opportunity to get to know some of those neighbours you may just wave to.... life is too short not to try new things! Our brave friends haven't disowned us and gave the evening two thumbs up! We are all waiting for the next event and Mike & I may offer our home as a host as well as heading out for dinner with our friends, after all it's for a great cause." - Cathy Cox

"My husband, Mike and I enjoyed hosting a dinner for the fundraiser "Guess Who's Coming to Dinner". We had wonderful guests and enjoyed the evening with great people. We definitely would host a dinner again. It was nice to meet people who live in your own community. We hope to see our guests again real soon. It was such an enjoyable evening. - Sherry Mullane

Stay tuned for the next opportunity to be a guest or host, build community and raise funds for the rebuild. Special thanks to Hartlen's Esso, Beaver Bank Pizza, Barrett's Lumber, BBKCC and Foo Sing for promoting the event. Also a sincere thank-you to Danielle McLearn for the design of the registration forms.

-Norma MacLean

# Looking For a Summer Job?!

The BBKCC is looking for fun friendly staff to work at their summer day camps! **Job Description:** 

Assist in planning and organizing activities related to recreation, sport, physical activity, arts, culture, and education. Supervise and work directly with children, assist in supervision of other staff members and volunteers; help to ensure safe program environment.

Program development and management experience (preferably in relation to children's programming), experience working with children, excellent customer service and interpersonal skills, good judgment and time management skills, ability to think creatively and quickly and adapt to changing circumstances.

Please send your resume to bbkcc@ns.aliantzinc.ca if you think you would be an ideal candidate!

## **Beans & Salads Supper**

In Support of the BBKCC Re-building Fund At the Church of the Good Shepherd Hall

May 8<sup>th</sup>, from 4 to 6:30 pm

\$7 per person, \$5 for ages 6 to 12, ages 5 and under free Watch the next Bulletin for our next supper to be held July 1<sup>st</sup> Holiday.

# Beaver Bank Kinsac Community Centre

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**Summer Day Camp!** – Summer day camps will be held at the Church of the Good Shepherd this year. Early drop-off and late pick up available. Registration begins in May. For more information call 865-5114.

Grant applications have been submitted for this year's Canada Day Celebrations in Beaver Bank. Our committee will be meeting shortly to put together an agenda, with our goal being to make it bigger and better than last year so keep checking our website and Facebook page!

**Kids Ball Hockey** - Kids Ball hockey is ongoing Friday nights from 6:15 pm - 7 pm at Beaver Bank Kinsac Elementary. \$2 drop in fee. Kids ages 6-12 welcome.

**Donations as gifts** - What better way to show someone you care then making a donation in your community! Simply fill out the form located on our web site and drop it off, fax it or e-mail and a card stating a donation has been made in their name will be mailed to them! For more details call 865-5114.

# Be sure to check out our web site at www.bbkcc.ca

Check us out on Facebook! -www. facebook.com/bbkcc

-Jessica Gilby



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## **Councillor's Column**

I would like to start this column by reminding all of our residents that with Spring arriving I can already see speeding in our subdivisions and on our residential roads increasing and quickly becoming a concern, I have already asked the RCMP to step up radar patrols in the area as enforcement seems to be the only answer to slowing people down, please slow down.

I want to thank the Principle & teachers of Beaver Bank Monarch Elementary School for inviting me to their Literacy Week; it was truly refreshing to relax and read to a number of classes and made for an enjoyable day. I then got to attend my first Northwest Community Council meeting in Bedford along with Councillors from Sackville and Hammonds Bedford. Plains. Items from the Beaver Bank area will now go to that Community Council while items from the Fall River-Waverley areas will continue to go to Marine Drive, Valley & Canal one, this is benefit to all of our District 2 residents.

In February I attended our monthly meeting of the Shubenacadie Watershed Environmental Protection Society (SWEPS), this group continues to work for good safe environmental policies in our area, we can always use some more help so if you are interested please let me know. The group meets once a month at the Fall River Rec Centre.

Are you looking to help out and volunteer for a great cause? Last Fall Peter Korecki came up with a great idea and took it to the Cobequid Health Centre. All winter we have been meeting and planning for this years "Grand Day".

On Saturday, June 26th we are going to host this healthy lifestyles fundraiser at Grand Lake. Many major sponsors are already committed and canoers and kayakers can sign up and get pledge sheets and take part, there are lots of terrific prizes and it's for a wonderful cause. We are still looking for sponsors to partner with for this event and also looking for volunteers to come out that day and help with running booths, sign in tables, assign parking etc. If you are interested or need more information please contact me.

Speaking of volunteers it is with extreme pleasure I can announce that the following residents of District 2 have been nominated to this years HRM's Volunteer Recognition Night which will take place at the Dartmouth Harbourview Inn on April 21st. Congratulations to Sandra Carr of Fall River, Julie Vials, Windsor Jct (who was recently taken from us to be in a better place), Bill Horne from Wellington, Fred Gallop of Beaver Bank & Abigail Fletcher of Fall River in the Youth category. I also take great pleasure in telling you that in a brand new category for Volunteer Boards the entire Staff and Board of the Beaver Bank Kinsac Community Centre are being recognized for their outstanding work.

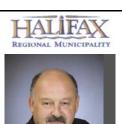
In mid February we held a meeting at the HT Barrett School, in attendance was our Principal, Karin Harrison (Public Health Nurse and member of the BBCAA), HRM Parks & Recreation and myself. The discussion was about plans for building

a multi use pad in 2011, inside the oval area for things like basketball in the summer and skating in the winter, we have confirmed that we will begin planning for this project.

Congratulations are due again to the BBK Community Centre Fundraising Board. What a tremendous success the Monte Carlo Night was and first let me thank the folks in Sackville for being such great neighbours and giving us their Centre for the night. The affair was sold out; there were lots and lots of great prizes and all kinds of fun and the Balloon game saw all 150 balloons sell out in about 15 minutes. I must say that after being repeatedly "taken to the cleaners" while dealing I don't expect to get any future job offers in that area.

Our initial Public Consultation Stage of the HRM's District Boundary Review has just finished with our 7th Public Hearing and thank god for rural folk. While attendance was very low in the City to these meetings we had over 30 show up in Sackville, around 70 in Lawrencetown and over 170 in Sheet Harbour. These hearings along with surveys, emails etc will help the Committee determine a recommendation to Council on its future size and number of Councillors. We will be coming back in the fall with another series of Open Meetings to determine where District Boundaries should be. Did you know that District 2 currently has a population around 22,000 while many Urban Districts are down around 14,000 - this is the 3rd largest District in the HRM. Do you feel this is fair and equal representation??

Many of you have heard by now that the upcoming year will be a tough one financially for the HRM, much of this is due to two main reasons. One is that the world-wide recession, which weathered so well here last year, is catching up somewhat locally and affecting revenue, also the timelines of spending monies which leveraged "Infrastructure Funds" from other levels of Gov't to do "once in a lifetime" projects must be done this coming year. We have just begun the budget process for the upcoming year and I will keep you informed, I can tell you that we enter this with the vast majority of Councillors adamant that we will not



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raise taxes but that means we do need to find ways to balance an anticipated shortfall of \$30 million. Our Depts are coming back as early as next week with ideas on how we can do this.

Having said that there will be cuts to some services & projects so it is more important than ever to get project items pre-approved before the budget and we've certainly been busy in this District doing just that, an example of items that are already pre-approved is: New sidewalks along the Beaver Bank Road from Danny Drive to Meadow are approved.

On Feb 27th I had an opportunity to take part in two fun events. The day started with a tour of the Aviation Museum that is located right here in District Two, I'm sad to say I hadn't been there in many years and it is absolutely spectacular inside and a 'Must See' for everyone. Take the Highway up to the Airport and it is where the plane is sitting outdoors on the property on the other side of the highway from the Airport. It will be open this summer once again. I then got to attend this year's Winter Fest at the Oldfield Elementary School and promptly got thrown into the "mock" jail by the RCMP at the request of students. This was the second year in a row for this event and I am so pleased to see that it again was packed with kids and parents and shows the huge support our area has for our schools, teachers & staff - thanks to everyone who organizes and puts these events on. There are many hi-lights of being your Councillor, another fun event we hosted in early March was the Pre-Teen Dance held at the Grand Lake Community Hall, thanks to all the volunteer Fire Fighters for chaperoning this event.

In early March we held an Open House & Public Presentation at the LWF Community Hall on a proposed Arts & Cultural Centre that could be built in the new CP Allen High School when it goes in at Bedford. Many thanks to that Board for coming and presenting to our residents, this could be a great opportunity for our Communities to support and be involved in this project and build a facility within reach of future generations. I've been attending their meetings for the past year and if you are interested in this Arts & Cultural concept

please let me know.

On March 11th I was able to visit the Sackville RCMP's Open House and appreciate their gesture of thanks to residents for your huge show of support recently. Right after that I attended the Public Announcement of DASC Industries (Dartmouth Adult Learning Centre) to build a new Centre in the Burnside Industrial Park. As Vice Chair of the HRM Grants Committee that turned the lands over for this project I am thrilled to hear this announcement and that it is now underway.

By now you have all heard something of the HRM's Police Commission recommending taking away the RCMP from policing our rural and suburban areas. After two contentious days of debate this Motion was defeated and policing in the HRM will remain the same. I voted and argued to keep the RCMP and the current status quo in place and I did this for a number of main reasons:

- We currently have the best of both worlds, two dedicated police forces that work extremely well together and push each other to be the best they can be, both forces working to their strengths. We have enough real issues to deal with in this HRM; we don't need to fix what isn't broken.
- I was disgusted at how this was brought to Council, very suddenly and without due notice and wrapped in secrecy without giving our residents the basic right to have their say.
- Finally, this was presented as a way to save money and increase efficiency but I spent 33 years in the RCMP and I know the figures and costs of policing and I went over every single thing that was presented and I don't believe for a moment that one cent would have been saved and not one hour of police efficiency would have been created, I do firmly believe we would have lost our RCMP and police services in the rural areas would have been crippled.

I do want to take this opportunity to personally say thanks to the hundreds and hundreds of residents who took the time to send in your messages and emails, please be patient as it will take a fair while to respond but I will answer back to every single one as it was your support that allowed us to win this vote.

The same night as the Police vote the Monarch/Rivendale Water Project came to Council for Public Hearing and Council vote. This has been a year long process with very expensive costs, Council did pass the project unanimously and I am very pleased that water will be installed in these areas however I do understand the costs involved. We continue to work at trying to find funding partners and any means of reducing costs, on the HRM's website costs can be taken over 20 years and if income is under set amounts costs can be deferred. we are a long way from finished on this and will continue to try to find help with funding.

There are two Minor Sports registrations coming up very soon, both Scotia Soccer and LWF Baseball are holding registrations the end of March & early April, the sign board in front of the LWF Community Hall has dates and times for both or you can contact me.

Please slow down and watch for our children - Barry



Denyse Sibley came into Grade 1/2 Smith's class at Beaver Bank Monarch Drive to promote Literacy and show how "fun" reading can be. Our class was very excited to have in the FX101.9 radio host and have invited her back. Happy Reading ©





## **Funny Fundraisers!**

Harold T Barrett, PTA will be hosting a comedy night with professional comedians on May 1<sup>st</sup> at HTB doors open at 7 pm. We will have a live auction as well as a silent Auction. Our funds will go towards the building of a multi-purpose community sports pad, which will include, basketball, hockey, tennis and many other uses.

### Please come and join in the fun!

Tickets are \$10.00 Please call HTB @ 864-7500 or Bonnie Ryan 864-7609 for tickets

Thanks, Bonnie Ryan. President, HTB PTA

#### The Beaver Bank ATV Club

Meets on the 2nd Wednesday night of every month at the Lion's Den at 40 Sandy Lake Rd @ 7 pm. New members are always welcome. Did you know that some trails will soon be restricted to ATVANS members only? Come and join our ATV club and receive an ATVANS sticker.

# **Annual Spring Turkey Supper**

First Sackville Presbyterian Church Hall 60 Beaver Bank Road, Lower Sackville Saturday April 10th Serving 4:30 to 6:00 pm Eat-in or take-out Adults \$10.00, Children 6-12 \$5.00, Under 6 free. Reservations recommended.

Call 835-8477 for info and tickets.

## **Ducks Unlimited Dinner**

April 24<sup>th</sup>
Sackville Legion (Branch 162)
Tickets
\$40.00 single - \$50.00 double
Call Ken Beanlands 864-6015

# Memories and Celebrations Mother's Day

**Luncheon & Fashion Show** 

Saturday May 1<sup>st</sup> at 12 noon Fashions by Reitman's and Alyssa's Formals Introducing our new cookbook with easy-listening CD

## In Support of Friends of Ivy Meadows Residents' Society

Tickets \$15.00, children under 10 \$5.00 Sackville Heights Community Centre 10 Connolly Dr, Lower Sackville

### BIRTH



Reese Hannah Cross Born on January 21, 2010 at 7 lbs 3.8 ozs to proud parents Jason and Debbie Cross of Silver Leaf Drive.

# EVENTUROUS THEATRE presents the Musical:



Friday May 7 and Saturday, May 8
at 7:30 pm
and a Mother's Day Matinee
Sunday May 9 at 2:00 pm
At Millwood High School,
Lower Sackville
Tickets: \$15, Child/Senior: \$12
available at Family Music, 601
Sackville Drive
for further details: www.eventurous.ca

# Benefit Concert Presented by Friends of Ivy Meadows

On Feb 28th, the FOIMRS presented an evening of Country and Gospel music at Acadia Hall. Seventy-five were in attendance and enjoyed the musical evening. The hall was donated for the concert and the winner of the 50/50 draw Wayne Hickey donated his win to the Friends Society. Entertainers for the evening were; Beverly Johnson, Vic Ivaney, Julie Gilby, Ed Bowden, Wilf Carr, Murray Deal, Stan Horton, Faye Hazel, Jim Ward and Don Thomander. Those attending enjoyed the evening by singing along, toe-tapping and clapping. They were happy to help the FOIMERS raise funds for a wheel-chair accessible bus.

-Heather Lunn

#### BIRTH



# Raya Hazel Evong

Dayne Donovan Evong, big brother, is happy to announce the arrival of his little sister. Raya Hazel Evong, born January 27<sup>th</sup>, 2010 at the IWK Health Centre, Halifax, NS, weighing 9 lbs, 21 inches long. Delighted parents are Dean & Tanya (Hazel) Evong, Lower Sackville. Proud grandparents are Gerald & Faye Hazel, Beaver Bank; Gerard Evong, Lower Sackville; Velda and Ted Church, Herring Cove; Great-grandmother, Avis Hazel, Beaver Bank. Congratulations from Uncle Trevor and Aunt Christa, cousins: Grace, Brooklyn & Allyson, New Glasgow. A very special thank you to Auntie Dawn Evong, Lower Sackville and friend Sandra Hall. Beaver Bank, for all your help and support.

### More Sidewalks For Beaver Bank Road

Councillor Barry Dalrymple has confirmed that sidewalks on the Beaver Bank Rd will be extended in 2010. In the spring a tender will be out to extend the sidewalks from where they end just past Harold T Barrett School up to Meadow Rd.

-Heather Lunn

# James Arthur Boutilier died March 6th, 2000

Although you weren't with us this New Years Eve.

Your package in our time capsule was. Oh you taped that up.

You made us all laugh, cry, and be thankful that we were altogether.

I feel sorrow now for I'll not ever have this to look forward to again.

You will live on in all of us, in your boys Jamie & Gary.

In your grandchildren Emma, Sarah, Renae and in her new brother or sister. They all say and do things that only you would have done.

A life with you I would never change, just make it longer.

In my heart I'll carry your smile & love, And know your looking down from Heaven above.

Take care my brother and best friend. Until in Heaven we meet again.

Sister Judy

### **CLASSIFIED ADS**

# LOOKING FOR CHILDCARE IN BEAVER BANK?

Childcare available in my home, Monday to Friday Infant to school age. Please call Erin 252-5537

## **BABY BOYS CLOTHES**

FOR \$1.00 EACH PIECE, VARIOUS SIZES. Please call 864-3583

We're on the web at: www.beaverbank.ca

#### **OLIVER BOUTILIER**

In loving memory of Oliver Boutilier who passed away April 4, 1979

Silent thoughts,
A secret tear,
A constant wish that you were here.
No need for words except to say

Lovingly remembered by wife Florence and Family

We love and miss you every day.

#### SCOUTING NEWS

February was a busy month for Scouting as we celebrated the birthday of our founder Lord Baden Powell. Our annual BP campfire service was hosted by B Pack at Harold T Barrett Jr. High on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of February, which is the actual birth date of our founder Lord Baden Powell. There were songs, skits and cheers done by all the Beavers, Cubs, Scouts, the Sparks, and Guides that came to help celebrate, so there was lots fun had by all.

We had our annual area torchlight parade on Wednesday the 24<sup>th</sup>. The weather held up and everyone enjoyed the nice walk from Sycamore Lane School to the Knox United Church on Sackville Drive. Everyone who attended enjoyed a loud and exciting campfire and we had granola bars and hot chocolate afterward.

Well, the plans are well underway for our 9<sup>th</sup> annual group camp. This year will be in memory of Scouter Ray Peddle who passed away in January. Ray was the coordinator of the group camp for roughly 6 years before we took over his roll, and as we head into planning this camp we are thinking of Ray. This year's group camp will be held on April 24<sup>th</sup> to the 25<sup>th</sup>. We are all working hard together to make this year's camp a very exciting one.

Our annual Scoutrees campaign will be starting up soon. This is our largest fundraiser for 2<sup>nd</sup> Beaver Bank, first it helps keep down the cost of registration for our youth and parents of Beaver Bank, and it also helps keeps our forests of Beaver Bank replenished with trees for the future.

Our groups have been busy these winter months, with crafts, beaver buggies, cub cars, fun outings, and winter camps that are always challenging with the Nova Scotia weather. Our groups have a few more months of planned events and activities for the youth as the weather gets warmer.

As always, we are always looking for new adult members for our group committee. If anyone is interested in becoming involved in Scouting please visit our group committee meetings every third Thursday of the month at 7 pm at the Beaver Bank Brown Hall or visit any one or our section meetings and talk to one of our leaders. We would like to thank you for your continuous support.

-Jo-Anne Grove, 2<sup>nd</sup> Beaver Bank Group Committee

# Good News! Keeners Community Gardening Project

The Beaver Bank Kinsac Seniors Association (50+ Keeners) are pleased to announce that we were successful in our Horizon grant application. This will allow us to eventually provide a patio and garden at the new Beaver Bank Kinsac Community Centre. Although we do not have a venue for the physical application of the venture this year we plan, commencing in mid March of this year, to have presentations on Thursday afternoons at 1:30 pm from experienced gardeners, specialists in landscape design and organic gardening. Plan to attend and bring your gardening questions.

During the Spring/Summer months we plan to tour the grounds of the Nova Scotia Agriculture College, tour other gardens of interest and plant shrub/flower gardens at Harold T Barrett Junior High. It is our plan to design and create organic gardening courses with school students and adults, with the literature to be completed by the end of the year.

The Keeners are excited about this project and encourage anyone, of any age, interested in the areas of Design, Landscaping, Construction of Garden Boxes, Choosing of Plants or the Writing of Courses or our Potatoes in a Barrel Growing Contest to call Rae at 865-1035 or Ann at 865-0381, or pop into the Beaver Bank Community Hall (Brown Hall) on Wednesdays or Thursdays.

Gardening Presentations Schedule Thursdays at 1:30 PM at the Brown Hall: April 1<sup>st</sup> Niki Jabbor, Professional Garden Writer and Radio Host, Kitchen Garden, www.yearroundveggiegardener. blogspot.com

April 8<sup>th</sup>, Krista Snow, Landscaper, Container Gardening

April 15<sup>th</sup>, Rae Marlborough, Gardener, No Digging Organic Toss A Garden

April 22<sup>nd</sup>, Florence Margeson, Gardener, Seeds and Transplants, Favourite Annuals & Perennials

April 29<sup>th</sup>, Linda Van Vulpen, Certified Landscape Designer, Landscape Design www.vanvulpendesign.ns.ca

Weekly schedule of events:

There will be an information or general meeting at 1 pm on the 3rd Thursday of each month

Tuesdays – Exercise classes 10 am - 11 am Acadia Hall - Instructor: Lynn Atton - if you wish to join this enthusiastic group, just drop by or contact Lynn at 864-0791. 1.30 pm - Crib games at the Beaver Bank Community Hall (Brown Hall)

Wednesdays – Walking Club: 10 am for further information contact John Murphy at 865-7431. Crafts 1 pm-3.30 pm - Beaver Bank Community Hall (Brown Hall) - learn to knit, crochet, sew or volunteer to assist with a Simple Pleasures activity that we are involved in with Ivy Meadows - call Florence at 865-3641, or drop in on Wednesday afternoons

Thursdays - Drop In day - 10 am - 3 pm Come in and socialize, play board games, just have a cup of tea or a lunch which is available at noon - Potluck lunch is on the 3rd Thursday of each month - Beaver Bank Community Hall (Brown Hall)

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For further information: www.keeners. volasite.com

-Respectfully submitted, Rae Marlborough & Ann Benson



# Meet & Greet with Mayor Kelly

The Beaver Bank Kinsac Seniors Association, (the Keeners) would like to take this opportunity to thank Mayor Peter Kelly for taking time from his busy schedule to join us. The Meet & Greet took place on Thursday, February 11, 2010 at the Brown Hall in Beaver Bank. This proved to be a fun, enjoyable, and relaxing afternoon for many of the seniors in the community. This event was a good occasion for people to see and hear Mayor Kelly in person.

Also we would like to thank Brenda Murphy-Jollymore for organizing the Meet & Greet in an efficient and friendly manner. The seniors enjoyed Jim and Marji Kirby's hospitality. Marji entertained the group by playing the piano and a number of people joined in for a sing-song.

The BBKSA have rallied after the fire and have most of their programs and activities at the Brown Hall; however, we look forward to the day that we will be back in the new BBK Community Centre. Hopefully the next Meet & Greet with Mayor Kelly will be in the new centre.

-Ann Benson, Beaver Bank Kinsac Seniors Association 50+ Keeners



Pictures from the Mayor's Tea Left: Mayor Kelly with Georgina Stronach (middle) and Laura Lively. Above: Rae Marlborough, Peter Kelly, Florence Margeson and Joan Lynds.

## Deadline for the June Bulletin May 7th, 2010

See Page 2 for Contact Information Email us at bulletin@beaverbank.ca

# Church of the Good Shepherd (Anglican Church of Canada)

28 Trinity Lane, Beaver Bank Rector: Rev. Don Shipton 455-5684 Sunday Service: 10:00 am

Family, friends and new members welcome. www.goodshepherdchurchbeaverbank.com

Church Wardens: Nancy Kemp 865-6915

nancy.kemp@ns.sympatico.ca Dwain Gordon 864-0024

**Past Warden:** Dameon Lowe 865-2320 Please contact Rev. Don regarding Baptisms, Weddings, Illness or a Pastoral visit.

Card Socials: Church of the Good Shepherd Hall, Auction 45 is played every Thursday evening at 7:30 pm, Refreshments provided. Everyone Welcome. \$5.00 admittance We actively support Beacon House and donations can be brought to the Church on Sunday mornings, dropped off at Hartlen's Esso through the week or call Jean Bevan at 865-2262 to make arrangements.

#### Mark your Calendars:

April 1 - Maundy Thursday, Service 7 pm April 2 - Good Friday, Service 12 noon April 4 - Easter Sunday, Service 10 am April 24 - Roast Beef Supper

-Marjie Hartlen

#### Church of the Nazarene

650 Sackville Dr - Acadia Hall Pastor: Rev. Roy Austin

**Phone:** 865-2135

Sunday School (all ages) - 10 AM Morning Worship - 11 AM Everyone is Welcome

#### Sackville Independent Baptist

114 Beaver Bank Rd (near Tim Hortons)

Minister: Rev. S. Edgar Phone: 864-3433

**Sunday Service:** 11:00 am & 6:00 pm **Wednesday Service:** 7:00 pm

#### Faith United Baptist Church

299 Stokil Dr, Lr. Sackville

Supply Pastor: Dr William Brackney

**Phone:** 865-5419 **Sunday Service:** 10:50 am

#### **Living Hope Baptist Church**

971 Windgate Dr (Peace Lutheran Church)

**Service:** Sunday 1 pm **Pastor:** Rev. Kelly Holt

Promise land for kids, Bible Studies

Youth Group, Fellowship www.livinghopebeaverbank.com Living Hope Baptist Church is now holding their Worship Service and Sunday School at 1

Lutheran Church). Everyone is welcome. Rev. Kelly Holt is the Pastor and can be

o'clock Sunday at 971 Windgate Drive (Peace

reached at 864-5789.

#### **Knox United Church**

567 Sackville Dr., Lr Sackville
Minister: Rev. Donna Lovelace
Church Office: 865-9216
Church Kitchen/Hall: 865-1603
Office hours: 8:30 am - 1:30 pm
Sunday Services: 8:45 am Alternative
Worship Service & 10:30 am Traditional
Worship Service & Church School

**Turkey Soup Luncheon:** 

1st Tuesday of each month, \$6/person, due to Easter April's will be on April 13th. **Every Wed:** 1-3 pm- Time out for Ladies **Every Mon night:** 7 pm - Bible study

**Upcoming Events:** April 1 - Maundy Thursday - 7 pm Communion

April 2 - Good Friday Service - 10:30 am April 4 - Easter Sunrise Service - 7 am -(light breakfast to follow)

April 4 - Easter Sunday Service - 10:30 am Communion

May 8 - Annual Yard Sale Church Hall - 8:30 am - 12:30 pm - Admission - \$1 pp or \$2 family

Watch for info on our Church Sign Board You are always welcome!

-Eleanor Lewis

#### St. John's United Church

Administration Building, Main Floor Ivy Meadows Continuing Care Facility 125 Knowles Crescent, Beaver Bank

Minister: To Be Filled

Phone: 405-2451 or cell 448-6810 Sunday Service: 11:00 am Sunday School: 11:00 am

#### Peace Lutheran Church

971 Windgate Dr

Ministers: The Members of Peace Pastor: Jim Slack 864-6506

Office: 864-1625

**E-mail:** peace.lutheran@eastlink.ca **Web:** www.peace.evangelical-lutheran.ca

**Sunday Worship:** 11:00 am **Sunday School:** 11:00 am

Jesus Loves You

-Pastor Jim Slack

#### 1st Sackville Presbyterian

60 Beaver Bank Rd. Lower Sackville. (Across from Glendale Plaza)

Minister: Rev. Jean MacAulay 865-4053 Church Office: 865-4053 (machine) Email: firstsackville@pccatlantic.ca

Sunday Service: 9:30 am Sunday School: 9:40 Sept - June Nursery Provided: Sept - June

**Upcoming Events:**Watch the PCCAtlantic.ca website for

further updates.

-Marian Tomlik - Clerk Of Session

# Holy Trinity Pastoral Unit (Roman Catholic)

Consisting of three parishes

St Elizabeth Seton, 125 Metropolitan Ave, St Francis of Assisi, Mt Uniacke St John Vianney, 4 Beaver Bank Rd, Mail for all 3 Parishes: 4 Beaver Bank Rd,

Lr Sackville, NS, B4E 1G3 **Phone:** 865-2112 ext 0 (Secretary) **Emergency after hours:** 865-6133

Fax: 864-8645

Email: holytrinity@eastlink.ca Website: www.holytrinityns.ca Pastor: Fr. Johni Mathew

**Associate:** Father Zachary Romanofsky **Deacons:** Robert Doyle, Jim Smith, Claude

LaChance and David Shortt

Holy Trinity Pastoral Unit Staff

Catechetical Leader: Ann Burton Clerical Secretary: Teresa Cooke

Finance: Gloria Pottie

Administrative Secretary: Catherine Kidson

Lord's Day Masses:

Saturday - 4:30 pm (SJV)

Sunday - 11:15 am (SES); 9:15 am (SFA);

9:00, 11:00 am & 6 pm (SJV)

Week Day Masses:

Monday & Tuesday 7:15 pm (SES) Wednesday 9:00 am (SJV) (followed by exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until 6:45 pm)

**Confessions:** Saturday 5:30 to 6 pm (SJV) Tuesday 6:30 to 7 pm (SES) or by

appointment



March 28 Palm Sunday, 8:30 pm Way of the Cross Live Drama St. John Vianney March 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> Monday and Tuesday 7:15 pm Mass St. Elizabeth Seton

March 31 Wednesday 9 am

Mass SJV
Exposition of Blessed Sacrament until 12 pm

Chrism Mass 7 pm St. Mary's Basilica **April 1** Holy Thursday 8 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper - 3 churches

(Followed by repositioning of the Blessed Sacrament and Adoration until 10 pm.) **April 2** Good Friday Children's Service St.

John Vianney 10 am; Celebration of the Lord's Passion 3 pm - 3 churches; Tenebrae Prayer St. Elizabeth Seton 9 pm

**April 3** Holy Saturday Easter Vigil - 3 churches 9 pm (Adult Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation at St. John Vianney)

April 4 Easter Sunday, Mass St. Elizabeth Seton 11:15 am St. Francis of Assisi 9:15 am

St. John Vianney 9:00 am and 11 am

Children's Baptism 2:00 pm

There will not be a 6 pm Mass on Easter Sunday

-Teresa Cooke



**David Webb of Beaver Bank,** holding one of the Olympic Torches in Calgary, Alberta at a torch relay stop on Monday January 18th, 2010. Our Son-in-law Jamie Leblanc, had the opportunity to carry the Olympic Torch 300 meters in Iqaluit, Nunavut, on Monday November 9th, 2009.

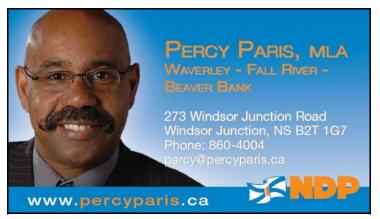
Submitted by Veronica Webb, Beaver Bank

# **Guiding News**

The past few months have been busy, active times for our Guiding Members, especially with 2010 celebrating the 100th year of Scouting and Guiding! Our units have participated in various events to help prepare for the big "Rally Day" anniversary celebration being held on Saturday May 15th. Some of the activities included attending the Thinking Day campfire with Scouting, and learning about Robert, Agnes and Olave Baden-Powell. They also completed several badge challenges by finding all of the WAGGGS countries on a giant map, celebrated Chinese New Year and learned about food and water shortages in other countries. They also participated in a District-wide skating event and other fun activities.

Just a reminder to all to watch out for our girls in April as our Classic Vanilla and Chocolate cookies will be on sale. We will be around the area to sell these delicious treats.

-Cheryl Jardine, Beaver Bank District Commissioner



# What do I have to do to get my Driver's License Back?

Several constituents have contacted my office in the past months with questions about getting back their suspended driver's licenses. These young men all lost their licenses for driving without insurance. After waiting out their courtimposed suspension, they thought they'd be back behind the wheel. But then they each got a letter from Service Nova Scotia & Municipal Relations telling them to present themselves at their local Access Nova Scotia office and to turn in both their license to drive and their vehicle permit. "What's going on?" they want to know.

It is the responsibility of the driver of the vehicle – whether they own it or not – to ensure that the vehicle they're driving is insured and that the insurance is paid and up-to-date. Borrowing a friend's car and not knowing the insurance had elapsed is not an excuse. If the car isn't insured, don't drive it. It isn't worth the risk.

When a police officer finds you driving a vehicle that does not have current insurance, a copy of the ticket is sent to the courts AND to Service Nova Scotia & Municipal Relations. The courts determine your guilt or innocence and, if warranted, can issue large fines and suspend your driver's licence for a lengthy period (most often for one year). But that is not the end of the punishment. Service Nova Scotia & Municipal Relations, the department responsible for issuing driver's licenses and vehicle permits, will also impose a punishment of their own.

In such cases it is common for Service Nova Scotia to place a suspension on your driver's license AND the vehicle permit. These suspensions are separate and apart from any issued to you by the courts. More importantly, a Service Nova Scotia suspension is potentially limitless. There is no expiry date on their suspensions. That's when I get the calls. "What do I have to do to get my driver's license back?"

You must apply in writing to a Service Nova Scotia adjudicator and ask for your license to be reinstated. You must be able to satisfy the adjudicator that your court fines have been paid, so include a copy of the receipt. Your court suspension must be over, so include a copy of your court transcripts with the letter. Furthermore, you must have demonstrated a willingness to comply; in other words, when Service Nova Scotia asked you to return your driver's license, plates and registration, you should have done so in a timely manner. Finally, there cannot be any new violations on your driving record.

Why two different punishments? Compare it to this: a schoolboy steals money from his teacher's desk and gets caught. The principal suspends him for a week. Then his parents ground him for a month. One crime: two punishments.

Obviously the lesson in all of this is if you can't afford car insurance, then you can't afford to drive. The police take it seriously, as do the courts and the provincial government. Need more help with your driver's license? Call my office. We'll help you through it.

-Hon. Percy Paris

#### News From Parliament Hill

#### **Beware of Internet Myths**

For many years, people have forwarded me an email that describes the financial support refugees receive from our federal government in comparison to Old Age Security payments. The email mistakenly concludes that refugees receive a monthly allowance from the federal government greater than the monthly allowance received by OAS pensioners. This email is not correct and is an urban myth. In fact, the urban myth has its origins in a 2004 Toronto Star Article and an incorrect reader's response to the article. Unfortunately, an email campaign ensued that spread this misinformation. Please be careful of what you read and believe on the Internet. For more information on this issue, please see this site: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Immigrant benefits urban legend

## Tribute to WWI Veterans April 9th

It is with sadness and deep respect that we note the recent passing of John Babcock, the last of Canada's First World War Veterans. Mr. Babcock passed away on February 19<sup>th</sup> at the age of 109. His passing is significant as it marks the end of an era and a generation of heroes. Mr. Babcock was the last link to the 650,000 Canadian men and women who sacrificed so much in the Great War. On "Vimy Ridge Day", Friday April 9, 2010, the Government of Canada will hold a national commemorative ceremony honouring all of Canada's First World War service men and women in Ottawa at the National War Memorial. A

## Welcome Home Children's Learning Centre

In writing this article for the Bulletin about the awaited and agonizingly long road to the opening of our new location of the Beaver Bank Children's Learning Centre, I have gone through emotions ranging from disbelief to full blown panic to the joy of realizing a dream. It seems like such a long time ago, the night of Sept 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2009 when Marina, myself and our family of community members, watched all of our dreams go up in flames.

To move forward from a tragedy, I have learned takes support and good will. The support and good will came through within hours of the fire. We had donations of every kind, offers of a place to care for our children, shoulders to cry and lean on, and countless offers of support of every kind.

Our new home quietly opened its doors on Wednesday February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2010. We have had many visitors from the community come for an informal tour and their positive feedback has been wonderful. On an emotional note, we recently had the Beaver Bank Kinsac Volunteer Fire Department in for their weekly training exercise to familiarize themselves with our building and how it works. Many thanks to them all.

Our new home offers to the community childcare from 3 months to 12 years. We have a range of programs; part-day preschool, before & after school care & full-time summer care. 864-5118.

-Cheryl Leadlay & Marina Johnson

number of other ceremonies will be held the same day in locations across Canada and overseas in France and England. Canadians can also pay their respects by signing special Books of Reflection which will be on display at locations across Canada and at each Provincial/Territorial Legislature. An online version of the Books of Reflection will also be available on the Veterans Affairs Canada web site at www.vac-acc.gc.ca.

#### **Income Tax Deadline Coming Up**

The deadline for filing income tax returns is coming up. Generally, returns must be filed on or before April 30, 2010. To avoid interest charges or delays of your benefit payments, please file on time. I have also encouraged the Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) to provide Internet filing software for free. Currently, Canadians who to choose to file via NETFILE need to purchase commercial tax preparation software. It makes sense for CRA to provide this software to Canadians for free. This idea has been raised by many constituents.

Please also be wary of any email that looks like it is coming from the Canada Revenue Agency and says that you are "entitled to your tax refund now." The email asks you to login to a "secure Epass site with your Social Insurance number." Please note that this email is a hoax. These emails are designed to try to get your private information and SIN number for financial and identity theft purposes. Canada Revenue Agency will never send you an email like this - they only communicate with you by regular mail.

### Self-employed? You're now eligible for EI special benefits

If you are one of the many Canadians who are selfemployed, you now have access to income protection to help you with major life events. Starting January 31, 2010 you can enter into an agreement with the Canada Employment Insurance Commission through Service Canada. Opting into this agreement would allow you to qualify for the Employment Insurance (EI) program's "special benefits". These include the following: Maternity (up to 15 weeks); Parental & adoptive (up to 35 weeks); Sickness (up to 15 weeks); Compassionate-care (up to 6 weeks).

To qualify, you must opt into the program at <u>least one year</u> before applying for EI special benefits and pay EI premiums on your self-employment income. You must also have recorded at least \$6,000 in self-employment earnings during the previous 12 months. To find out more: please contact Service Canada at www.servicecanada.gc.ca or 1-800-206-7218.

-Peter Stoffer, MP



## Peter Stoffer Member of Parliament

Sackville-Eastern Shore

2900 Hwy #2 Fall River, NS B2T 1W4 Phone: 861-2311 Toll Free: 1-888-701-5557

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The BBCAA would like to thank the following families, businesses and groups who have recently purchased a yearly "Share In The Community". They are among the many people who are supporting our work to keep Beaver Bank Kinsac informed through meetings, the BBK Bulletin and our website. Shares can be purchased at the Annual Town Hall Meeting.

Byron & Sandra Bolt Steve & Lisa Bronkin Brian & Gwen Campbell **David Creighton** Lauretta Gilby Ron & Carla Gillis Gerald & Faye Hazel Michael & Yvonne Hemeon Cory & Helena Horne Tim & Linda Keddy

Gerry & Gail Langille Vernon MacKeen Archibald & Velda MacPherson Cheryl McKillop Max & Barbara Miller Arthur & Sharon Mitchell Gerald & Barbara Mosher John & Marilyn Stanley



We at the BBCAA would like to express condolences to any readers who have recently lost a loved one. Condolences are extended to the families of these Beaver Bankers who recently passed away.

On February 24<sup>th</sup>, Silvia Alberta Broughm at the age of 66 years. She is survived by two daughters, 4 grandchildren and was predeceased by her husband Vernon and her parents.

On March 2<sup>nd</sup>, Betty Lou Antle, age 67, daughter of the late Alden & Beatrice (Roach) Stone. She is survived by her husband Cyril Lively and family; Lisa Lively, Shawna Lively, Terria Sangster, Gary (Scott) Kent and Robbie (Dee dee) Lively; sisters Dawn (Ken) Barrett & Glennie and brother David (Fran) Stone. She was predeceased by a son Ricky.

May they rest in peace.

-Dorothy Selig



Beaver "banks" are available to purchase at Hartlen's Esso. Banks will also be available at the Annual Town Hall Meeting

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