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BBCAA 2002 Report From the Chair

This year has been a good one for the BBCAA. With good participation from Board Members, many topics have been discussed. From the Community Center, sewer and water, road safety, security, policing office, schools, youth, seniors and more. Some Board Members are on the Community Center Committee, others working on youth committees, the membership committee and some participated in a Volunteer Conference in November.

We are also very pleased with the 911 sign response through your memberships. I hope that someday every house in the community will have one.

I would like to extend an invitation to anyone who has ideas to improve the Community to come to any regular meeting, the annual meeting, to write, e-mail or phone. At our annual meeting in February, I would like to see some more people get involved as Board Members. Two hours once a month is not too much to ask of someone to help in their community.

Your Chair, Brian Pitts.

January

31—No School for Students, marking day.

February

12—9th Annual Town Hall Meeting, HTB School, Door Open at 6:30 pm

14—Happy Valentine's Day!

20—Storm Date for Town Hall Meeting, only if School is closed on the 14th.

24—No School for Students, PD Day

March

7—Deadline for the March/April Bulletin

10—14 inclusive—March Break

12—BBCAA Monthly Meeting, location to be announced.

17—Happy St. Patrick's Day!

April

Construction of Fire Hall/Community Center scheduled to start.

7—Ladies Auxiliary Turkey Bingo, Villa Fire Hall.

9—BBCAA Monthly Meeting, location to be announced.

18—Good Friday

20/21—Easter & Easter Monday

28—No School for Students, PD Day

May

2—Deadline for May/June Bulletin

14—BBCAA Monthly Meeting, location to be announced.

Community Center Meetings are planned on an ongoing basis. If you wish to attend, please call Brian Johnson at 864-1677

BBK Volunteer Fire Department meets every Tuesday night, go to the Villa Fire Hall to join and serve your community.

Town Hall Meeting On February 12th

In February 1995 an open meeting was held in Beaver Bank to discuss issues of security. It was from that meeting that the BBCAA was formed and the Beaver Bank Kinsac Bulletin was started in order to provide the Community with information. This year will be the 9th Annual Town Hall Meeting. It has been termed a highly successful venture by many politicians. It is almost unheard of for a community to continue to meet over so many years with such a high level of participation from residents. Beaver Bank and Kinsac, as communities, are rather spread out. There is an enormous variety of residents, from families that have been here for generations, families with children of all ages, empty nesters, our senior's complex, newcomers and the population of Woodbine, which spans the highly transient to long-established. What makes it such a strong community?

Many people would like to know. Judging from the list above, perhaps it is our variety.

This year's Town Hall Meeting will see the return of a guest speaker, Mr. Peter Wilde, who has been known to give lively presentations. Our elected representatives will be on hand to answer questions during the question and answer period. The politicians invited, but not yet confirmed, include the representatives of the Federal, Provincial and Municipal Governments as well as the School Board. The RCMP and School Principals have also been invited. The meeting will open with several reports, including the Chairman's, the Treasurer's, the Community Center, the RCMP and the Volunteer Fire Department. As with other years, there will be booths on display, coffee and tea before the meeting and refreshments

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BBCAA

Community Policing Office

Thank You For Your Support!

The BBCAA and the Beaver Bank Kinsac Bulletin would like to thank the following community members who have purchased a membership. All funds support the production and distribution of the Bulletin. We have arranged to purchase the 911 civic signs through the Beaver Bank Kinsac Volunteer Fire Department's Ladies Auxiliary. A number of signs are now on order and will be distributed as soon as they are available. Thank you to every one who has supported this program, we feel it has been extremely successful. Every sign that is displayed is another house easily found by your emergency responders.

Family Memberships

Paul Anderson

Don & Penny Atkinson

Stephen & Debbie Bell

Mike & Jean Bevan

Donald & Sandra Boutilier

Eugene & Frances Briand

Brian & Helene Barrett

David G. Barrett

Hugh & Linda Barrett

Harold & Jean Brown

Richard & Maria Burgess

Ida Canning

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John & Marilyn Stanley

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Vince & Hilda Tanner

Paul & Nancy Tattrie

Cornelius & Deborah

Verstraten

Veronica Whalen

Group Membership

Second Beaver Bank Scouts

BBCAA MAIN ACCOUNT REPORT FOR 2002

Opening Bal. Jan 2002: 3151.25

Revenue:

Memberships 4325.00

Bulletin Advertising 1140.00

Beaver Bank Sales 660.00

CAP to BBCAA 125.04

Donation 15.00

Total Revenue 6265.04

Expenses:

Bulletin Production 1200.00

Postage 1193.45

Bulletin Office Supplies 153.64

Cost of Beaver Banks 300.00

911 Civic Signs 320.00

Misc. Expenses:

Town Hall Meeting 4 8.64

Printer Honorarium 50.00

Paint for sign 101.98

Volunteer Training 120.00

Bank Charges 7.76

Total Expenses 3495.47

Assets:

CD Burner 333.44

Bank Account Balance 5920.82

Receivables 0.00

Total Assets 6254.26

-Megan Sheen, Treasurer

BBCAA CAP ACCOUNT Income Statement for Year 2002

Revenue

Grants 0.00

CAP Usage 0.00

Interest 0.00

Total Revenue 0.00

Expenses

Equipment Purchases 203.05

High-Speed Internet 375.69

Miscellaneous 135.70

Office Supplies 60.69

Telephone 409.68

Total Expenses 1184.81

Income Less Expenses (1184.81)

Balance Sheet as of December 31, 2002

Assets

Heritage Credit Union 6447.24

Receivables 0.00

Total Assets 6447.24

Liabilities

Accounts Payable 0.00

Total Liabilities 0.00

Equity

Opening Balance 7632.05

Net Income (1184.81)

Total Equity 6447.24

-Allen Clay, Treasurer

Report From Your Fire Department

For the chilly months of November and December your fire department has responded to 19 calls. Those calls consisted of 11 medical related, 3 for wires arcing, 2 alarms activated, 1 MVA, 1 chimney fire and 1 public assistance call. This gave us a total of 104 alarms for the year. The break down for the year is as follows: Medical assists 56, MVA's 11, alarms activated 7, car fires 6, fire investigations 5, chimney fires 4, Fires (structure) 4, wires arcing 3, public assistance 2, illegal burns 2, mutual aid calls 2, hazardous material 1, and 1 42-acre forest fire. As you can see from the numbers, over half of our calls in a year are medical calls. With these types of calls time is usually important. In the past year we have spent many precious minutes looking for homes that were either poorly marked or not marked at all. Don't wait until someone very dear to you needs help in a hurry and it takes us that extra time to get there. Make sure your property is marked so we can find you on the darkest of nights. I know I have preached this all year and I'll continue to preach this in the year to come, until all our homes can easily be found on those dark nights. For those who have their homes marked properly, thank you, you make it easier to find those who don't.

In closing I would like to publicly thank all the members of the Beaver Bank -Kinsac Vol. Fire Dept. for their hard work and for being there 24-7. These members have been there for many members of our community at three or four in the morning, in the middle of a snowstorm, or even Christmas morning while their family waits for them to start opening gifts. Thank you for your dedication and for a great year, I hope 2003 is even better.

-Chief Gord West

Report From The Ladies Aux.

The Ladies Auxiliary hopes you have had a wonderful Christmas and New Year. We are looking for new members if you are interested or have any questions please feel free to call Dawn at 865-3115.

The Ladies Auxiliary will be having a Turkey Bingo at the Villa Hall on April 7th.

-Dawn MacIsaac

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following the meeting. You are encouraged to remain after the meeting to visit with neighbours and speak to your elected representatives.

In the past year the BBCAA has discussed many topics. Looking over the minutes, it is surprising how many issues actually came before the board. Norma MacLean, of HRM Parks & Rec., is an ex officio member, and has kept the Board informed of programs available to the community through HRM and the Province. The Board was able to participate in a Volunteer Conference that had a variety of workshops. There was discussion of a possible crosswalk for children going to HTB School from Shunamon Subdivision. It was determined that the area did not meet the necessary criteria for a crosswalk. Erica Rideout, our youth representative, has been attending the Sackville Youth Council and has kept the Board informed. Issues discussed have been a skateboard park, after school programs and a youth conference. The flea market in front of Barrett Lumber Mill on the Beaver Bank Rd was discussed over several meetings. There was some confusion over who actually owned the bulk of the property where the marketers were set up, Barrett's or HRM. The main problem with the market was safety. Many sellers were set up too close to the road and there was concern that a pedestrian was going to be struck. There have also been several accidents at this site. The sellers were informed in the fall by HRM that this informal market is no longer to take place on this site. There was discussion on possible alternate sites, but nothing has been decided. We will have to wait and see what the summer brings. The Board has looked into a website for the BBCAA and Bulletin. The main concern is having members who will maintain the content on the site. Constable Tom MacLeod, of

the Policing Office, has been to several meetings to keep us informed of the goings on and to hear concerns brought to the Board. The speed of cars on the Beaver Bank Road has been an issue he is working on. Marie MacDow, from Woodbine Park, sat in on one meeting to get an idea of how formal meetings are run and to get advice on starting a homeowners association in the Park. A letter was sent to encourage the formation of a provincial swim park in the community. We cannot currently hold swimming lessons here, nor is there a supervised place where there is a lifeguard. The most recent venture, free 911 reflective signs with membership, has been quite successful and falls quite nicely into our mandate of community safety.

At the Annual Meeting we will be taking nominations for new Board Members. We encourage all residents to think about serving the community. We all have something to contribute, and new points of view are always needed. We hope to see a great turn out as always. Come out and have your say!

-Dorothy Selig



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WOW HTB STARS!
Congrats to Shawna
Verstraten, Sarah Lauridsen,

Many Stars Shine at HTB School

Y O U N G
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T H E A T R E

Kristen White and Natasha Shebib for getting into the newspaper; Becky Matthews for placing 6th in a major Highland Dance competition; Kevin Cormier, Luke Nicholson and Darren Davison for playing in the best football team in their league; Darren Davison for his MVP status in football; Lindsay Westcott, Jamie Parsons and Fiona Blanchard for their photography in the Mail Star; Jessie Johnson for "double-grading" while earning her Orange Black Stripe belt in Karate; Philip Wright for his shutout; Danny Burke, Assistant Captain for playing in the hockey finals; Molly Leadlay for acting in the TV movie The Christmas Shoes and Oliver Green for taking the initiative to make proposals

and start a fund raising committee to alleviate the sound system problems in the school. Let's celebrate our stars by letting us know of their accomplishments (864-7500).

HARRY POTTER delighted the student body and accompanying teachers at the Bedford Movie Theatre on December 6th. The managers had set up kids' packs of food, including a small pop, popcorn and some candy for free. Students and staff really appreciated this and extend their thanks both to the theatre and Ms. Casey who arranged the showing. Along with enjoying the movie students experienced learning activities like creating a professional movie review for their Language Arts course.

performed at HTB December 10. Amazingly the four actors A. Gasparetto, M. Zwicker, B. Morrison and their stage manager Kirsti Bruce effectively silenced 200 noisy students. From the first word spoken they were unable to stop listening to "Choices", as the play about the darker sides of growing up in today's world came to life. Dealing with relationships, trust in parents, friends and teens dealing with many choices, this quirky play faithfully displayed the lives of youth today. The main message was "be there for your friends" and "be careful who you trust". With only three actors, much switching from character to character had to be done. When asked how actors move from

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HRSB Looking Forward to a Great Year

Hello, and welcome to 2003! All of the indications for the New Year are that, as far as the School Board is concerned, this is going to be a great year.

Carole Olsen has been our Superintendent of Schools for six months now. Those of you in the system know the incredible gains she has already made in the system, following on the positive attitude that Dr. Alan Lowe initiated as the interim superintendent.

The Board Members are working together better than ever before, and are excited to be working with Ms Olsen to ensure that our students receive the best education possible, in the best environment possible.

The Board and the Superintendent are working for the students in a lot of different ways. Some of these are:

1. Just before the holiday break, a new anti bullying committee was announced. We have all seen and heard too much of the bullying that is in the schools, and this committee, which augments the Safe Schools Advisory Committee, will specifically address the issues of bullying and violence in our schools.
2. The most significant task that our new Superintendent has undertaken so far has been a personal review of the entire system. She has met with over 1,000

people throughout the system, including those in the families of schools, to hear what they have to say about the system and about what she, as Superintendent, can do to make things better. I am looking forward to the changes that she will be suggesting for the system. Our preliminary discussions are positive and will address a significant number of your concerns.

3. Early in the New Year, a report will be coming to the Board that will describe the best way to receive student advice during our discussions. As much as we try, it is difficult for a Board Member to have an accurate picture of life in a school. Our visits to the school are usually too formal and too distant from the good work that the students are doing. It is very likely that, starting in September 2003, we will have a set of student representatives sitting at the Board table to help us see the perspective of students more accurately.

4. On January 1st, a new Smoking Policy came into effect. This is separate from, and more stringent than, the new Provincial legislation. The intent of this policy is to help students learn to avoid smoking. We have all heard of the health problems that are linked to smoking, and the Board has heard that if a student

doesn't develop the smoking habit at a young age then they likely never will.

5. We are in the middle of putting together our budget for the 2003-2004 year. At this stage, we are still discussing the Goals and Priorities. Although these sound like motherhood and apple pie, these set the tone of the rest of the budget, and we are working to ensure that they are the best for our kids' future.

The Budget Goals for the 2003-2004 fiscal year are:

1. To improve the conditions for learning and student success.
2. To strengthen educational programming and services in all schools throughout the Board.
3. To promote safe, healthy school environments.
4. To promote equity and adequacy in the distribution of resources throughout the Board.
5. To strengthen accountability in areas of leadership, resource utilisation, and reporting of results.
6. To utilise community resources and partnerships to support student learning.

If you have any comments or questions about any of this, or about anything else related to the school system, please don't hesitate to contact me.

*-Paul Russell
Halifax Regional School Board Member, District 4
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one mind space into another of their characters within the same play Gasparetto stated that it's different for each actor. Each character was easy to relate to with their self-esteem issues. The whole student body burst into applause and were greatly impressed by the representation of a teenage world. Two thumbs up!

DESIGN AND DECORATING TEAM A WELCOME TEAM. Did you know that some of the HTB students gave up 3 weeks of lunch hours to create backdrops for the Band Concert and Variety Show? Working as a team, they decided on a theme "Winter Wonderland" then designed startling white images to silhouette against the black wall to create a winter scene. We are hoping that this team of Christine Purcell, Denise Cormier, Danielle McLearn, Melissa MacIntyre and Brittany Faulkner will continue designing to support other school events. All appreciated their creation.

BOOK FAIR (Nov 18-22) was a resounding success. Ms. Maurice, the school librarian, organized HTB's first Book Fair in years. The Scholastic Book Fair was accompanied by used library books at sale price of \$0.25. Students, staff and parents supported Ms. Maurice's well-planned display to the tune of \$370, which will be used to purchase more library materials. The much appreciated student volunteers helped to make this endeavour work and are to be congratulated.

REMEMBRANCE DAY CEREMONIES although postponed because of the debilitating snowstorm was poignantly performed after the band teacher, Ms. Paddock and p. kidd, contacted all the readers, musicians and masters of ceremony to set up a new date. Student writings delivered by earnest young students along with a Legion representative were both moving and reflected. They were punctuated by hopeful WW II songs and a dramatic visual display of the real costs of war.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT tells a story of success. The Concert snow date (Jan. 17) had to be used but the delay didn't lessen the enthusiasm of the Beaver Bank Kinsac and Beaver Bank Monarch grade 6 Bands or the HTB grade 7 and grade 8

bands. Playing to nearly a 400 strong audience they showed their progress from the first day they had picked up their instruments to the rich and full bodied sounds of a fully orchestrated version of "Hot Cross Buns", "Star Wars", Christmas Carols and Jazz songs. Highlighting student trios and duets allowed students to shine both in their initiative and talent. A thoroughly enjoyable concert.

VARIETY SHOW (Dec. 18) spotlighted student talent and gave the audience a preview of the upcoming musical "Friday Night Fever". Despite all her commitments as a Resource teacher, Guidance Counsellor and PDR teacher, Ms. Kim Wilson and her 20 acts took the time during the hectic run up to Christmas, to practice and hone this delightful Variety Show. Dance performances ran from Highland Dancing duets, through rock and disco dancers behind solo singers to jazz. Lovely voiced students sang solos, duets with and without musical accompaniment and musicians showcased their talents as well. The silver donations will be used to help with costuming and set building for the upcoming musical. Both the audience and performers hope that there will be another variety show come spring.

OVER 70 TEDDY BEARS donated by students and staff, will go to the area's EMO (Emergency Measures Operation) to console young children met during an emergency crisis. Now that's the HTB supportive spirit.

HAITI EDUCATION OUTREACH funds, raised by the students, the HTB recycling team and a percentage of the canteen profits from school dances have reached \$203.55. It only takes \$350 to educate a secondary school student in Haiti. Let's continue that HTB supportive spirit.

SCHOOL EVENTS a success when approximately 60 students engaged in a two-hour skate at the old Sackville area. The students were joined by Mr. Hubley, the organizer, Ms. MacKinley, Mme Martell, M. Wynn and some parents. After the student vs. teachers basketball game other students participated in a games room, drawing workshops and other activities.

COMMUNITY ACTION CONTINUES to be part of student

commitment to our community. If you need your walks shovelled or other community needs contact an HTB student. They might be able to help out.

EVENTS TO LOOK FORWARD TO:
School pep rallies -- January 22
Motivational speakers with Olympian Karen Furneaux --January 24
End of Term 1-- January 30
Assessment Day--January 31 (no students present)
Rice/pasta Dance -- February 27
HTB REPORTERS:
Brad Boutillier, Denise Cormier, Sammi Jessome, Melissa MacIntyre, Natasha Shebib

Beaver Bank Kinsac Elementary School is looking for donations of BOOKS, MAGAZINES and VIDEOS, in good clean condition for their Library. Any item that can be put on the shelves or sold at a fund raiser is welcome. Please call Ms. Maurice or Mrs. Marlborough at 864-6805 or drop donations off at the School.

School Dates
January 31: End of Term, Assessment Day, No School for Students
February 18: All Report Cards Issued by this Date.
Feb 1 to Mar 1: Early Registration
February 24: PD Day, No School for Students
March 10 -14: (inclusive) March Break
Beaver Bank Kinsac Elementary
864-6805
Beaver Bank Monarch Dr. Elementary
864-7540
Harold T. Barrett Jr. High
864-7500
See Above for Special Dates
Lockview High School
860-6000
January 27 - 30: High School Exams

Church of the Good Shepherd

28 Trinity Lane, Beaver Bank

Priest: Rev. Liz Earley 455-6222

Sunday Service: 10:30 am

Sunday School: 10:30 am (nursery available)

Church Office: 865-0203

Church Wardens:

Dameon Lowe 865-2320

J.D. Salvatore 865-8626

Sunday School Superintendent:

Pauline Layland 865-0972

Family, friends and new members welcome.

February 15: Valentine Dinner Dance, Good Shepherd Hall, 7:30 pm—1 am, Hip of Beef Buffet, Popular DJ Stephen Lunn of Elite Disc Jockey Systems, \$30 per couple, Advance Tickets Only. Call Jean Bevin 865-2260 or Nancy Kemp 865-6915.

Card Socials:

Church of the Good Shepherd Hall

7:30 pm on eh 1st, 2nd, 4th, 5th Thursday of each month

\$5.00/person. Refreshments available. Everyone welcome.

-Nancy Kemp

Faith United Baptist Church

299 Stokil Dr, Lr. Sackville

Minister: Rev. Kelly Holt

Phone: 865-5419

Sunday Service: 10:50 am

Sackville Independent Baptist Church

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

St. John's United Church

Beaver Bank Villa, N.S.

Sunday Worship: 11:00 am

Minister: Rev. Wim Kreeft

Phone: 445-0480 or 448-6810

Please let Rev. Wim know if you need a call or a visit.

1st Sackville Presbyterian Church

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

Minister: Rev. Cheryl MacFadyen.

Church Office: 865-3930.

Sunday Service: 11 am with nursery provided.

Sunday School: 11 am, for all ages.

Tuesdays: Parents and Tots

9-9:30 arrival.

Beginning on Wednesday evening January 08, 2003 and each Wednesday

evening the sanctuary will be open from 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm for Christians to have a spot for private prayer, meditation or spiritual reading. We are wheelchair accessible.

January 19th : Anniversary Service, Guest speaker will be Reverend George MacDonald former minister of 1st Sackville.

January 25th: Coffee house in church hall (basement of church) 7:30 pm until 9:30 pm, Instrumentalist/Folk singer Jim Smith featured performer, open mike session, participation encouraged.

February 15th: Coffee house 7:30 pm -9:30 pm. The Dave Brothers will be the featured performers, open mike session, participation encouraged. For more information please call May at 864-1533.

March: Coffee House, watch for details.

A warm welcome awaits anyone attending our weekly church service or the above special events.

-May Renfrew

St. John Vianney Church

4 Beaver Bank Rd, Lr. Sackville, NS

Pastor: Rev. J. B. Christensen

Assistant Priest: Rev. Roberto Donato

Associate Priest: Rev. Larry Murphy

Deacon: Claude LaChance

Dir. of Catechetics: Nancy Mailman

Catechetical Assistant: Teresa Cooke

High School & Youth Coordinator

Annette Power

Music Director: Daniel LeBlanc

Secretary: Gloria Pottie

Mass Times:

Saturday: 6:00 pm

Sunday: 8:30 am 10:00 am 11:30 am 6:00 pm

Weekday Mass: Monday & Wednesday 7:15 pm

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, & Friday 9:00 am

There are various activities and groups to join in such as Knights of Columbus, CWL, Prayer Group, Evangelization, St. Vincent de Paul Society, Catechists, Coordinators, Junior High Youth Group, Senior High Youth Group, various choirs and more.

-Teresa Cooke

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Beaver Bank Scouts & Guides
Kids Can Join Anytime Leaders Always Needed

Scouts Xmas Tree Lot A Huge Success

The youth in scouting have had a very busy fall. All of our groups have gone camping. Several of our groups held Hallowe'en parties, hikes and family days with a Christmas theme complete with a potluck supper!

Again this year, we had a huge turn out at the Memorial on Remembrance Day. It was great to see so many of our youth, leaders and parents turn out on such an important day.

Our Christmas Tree Sales was a huge success! We would like to thank the members of our community for your support. The proceeds from the tree sales provide a large portion of the funds needed to keep the scouting program running smoothly in Beaver Bank.

Thank you as well for your generous donations to the food bank! We delivered several trunk loads of groceries as well as \$200.00 in cash to the food bank on your behalf.

To all our friends and family here in Beaver Bank and Kinsac, our sincerest wishes for a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year.

-Wendy Saunders, Secretary



A special thanks to Joan Oderkirk, teacher at Beaver Bank Kinsac Elementary School for this photo. The only information we have is "Farm House on Beaver Bank Rd." Do any readers recognize the house and know where it was located? If we find the answer we will print the information in an upcoming Bulletin.

-Heather Lunn



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**Scouts and Guides
 Group Meeting Times**

Times and places are subject to change

Beaver Bank Scouts

Group Committee Meeting
 Church of the Good Shepherd
 3rd Thursday of the Month

Beavers "A" Colony
 Monarch School, Tues. 6 – 7:30 pm

Beavers "C" Colony
 Kinsac School, Tues. 6:30 – 7:30 pm

Cubs "B" Pack
 H.T.B. Jr High, Mon. 6:00 – 7:45 pm

Cubs "C" Pack
 Kinsac School, Wed. 6:00 – 8:00 pm

Scout Troop
 Faith United Baptist Church,
 with the 8th Sackville Scouts
 Wed. 7:00 –9:00 pm

Venturers
 Beaver Bank Community Hall,
 with the 8th Sackville Venturers
 Wed. 7:30—9:00

Scouting Information, please call Brian Johnson, 864-1677 or cell 499-9651
 Email bcjohnson@accesswave.ca

Beaver Bank Girl Guides

1st Sparks
 Church of the Good Shepherd
 Wed. 6:15 – 7:30 pm

2nd Sparks
 The Brown Hall, Woodbine
 Mon. 6:30 – 7:30 pm

3rd Sparks
 Church of the Good Shepherd
 Mon. 3:00 – 4:00 pm

2nd Brownies
 Kinsac School, Mon. 6:00 – 7:30 pm

4th Brownies
 The Brown Hall, Woodbine
 Tues. 6:15 – 7:45 pm

2nd Guides
 Church of the Good Shepherd
 Tues. 6:15 – 7:45 pm

1st Pathfinders
 Kinsac School, Tues. 6:15—8 pm

Senior Branches
 Guides Senior Branch Info, please call the Senior Guider Joyce at 864-7923

Annual Carol Sing Held At Tucker Lake

Tucker Lake Road Neighbourhood Watch held their annual Christmas Carol Sing on Dec. 16th. Thirty-three Tucker Lake Road residents gathered at the home of Harold & Jean Brown. It was an enjoyable evening with music, singing, hot cider and plenty of food. A wonderful way to meet new neighbours, for long time residents to exchange Christmas greetings and to hear the latest stories about family and friends. Thank you Jean & Harold for hosting this event. Thanks also to the Neighbourhood Watch Committee and all who helped. The "two guests", who had trouble counting to thirty-three, promise to do better next year.

-Heather Lunn

A Few Words From MP Peter Stoffer

I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday and I wish you all the best in the New Year. You will soon receive a 2003 calendar from my office. If you have not received a calendar by the end of January please call my office at 865-2311.

The Queen's Jubilee Medals

As part of her celebration of 50 years of reign, Queen Elizabeth II invited nominations for the Golden Jubilee Medals to recognize outstanding commitment to the community. Nineteen people from the federal riding of Sackville-Musquodoboit Valley-Eastern Shore were awarded the medal on November 10th at a special ceremony in Eastern Passage. Her Honour, Lieutenant-Governor Myra Freeman, the Queen's representative in Nova Scotia, and his Honour presented the medals to recipients. It was a wonderful day with over 250 family members and friends joining us for this special event.

Update on my Caregivers Bill

After four years of lobbying, my Caregivers bill (C-206) will be debated and voted on by Members of the House of Commons in the New Year. The first hour of debate took place last December. This bill would extend Employment Insurance



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benefits and job protection to people who leave their jobs to care for family members under palliative care or undergoing severe rehabilitation. Canada needs legislation that will provide financial assistance and protect the employment of caregivers at critical times. Three million Canadians are responsible for the care of seriously ill family members and this number is expected to rise. As our population ages, more people in the workforce will be confronted by the need to care for dying parents, spouses, and other family members. Studies show that every dollar spent to support family care saves the health care system at least five dollars. This bill could also help reduce the financial costs associated with employees taking sick time to care for their relatives. Employees juggling work and caring for an ill family member cost Canadian companies at least \$2.6 billion a year in time off the job. Last month, the Romanow Commission on the Future of Health Care urged the government to integrate a comprehensive family caregiver program into a national health care system. In the Throne Speech last fall, the government promised to modify

existing programs enabling employment leave for caregivers. I hope the government will make good on its promise to make compassionate care legislation a reality in Canada.

Sea King Replacements

The federal government decided to abandon its split procurement process to replace the Sea Kings last month. The Government stated that a single tender would speed up the selection process and ensure the new helicopters are delivered sooner. I hope they can deliver on this promise. Ten years have passed and the 40-year-old helicopters have still not been replaced. The Government must move the tender process along quickly and transparently to make up for lost time. Our military men and women deserve to know that their replacement helicopters will soon be on their way.

If you have any questions or concerns about these issues, please contact me at my office.

-MP Peter Stoffer,
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Major Hurdle Cleared For Community Center

Since the last update in the Beaver Bank Bulletin a major hurdle has been cleared. HRM council has approved the new tax structure, meaning the area rate we have been paying up to this date for fire equipment has been absorbed into the general tax rate. It would not have been feasible to add another area rate for the community center to the fire rate without going back to the community residents as this would cause an increase to our taxes.

The house, which HRM purchased to allow enough room for the complex, has been sold and will be removed from the site. The purchaser will also be responsible to clean up the area and fill in the old foundation.

We will have a booth at the Town Hall Meeting in February and the floor plans for the center will be available for viewing. There will be sign up sheets for anyone who would like to volunteer for the Center and for those who would like to form Seniors and Youth Groups. We will attempt to answer any questions you may have at that time. We hope to see a large turnout.

As before, if you have any questions or concerns, please contact either Brian Johnson or Sue McLearn at the addresses below.

Brian Johnson Phone: 864-1677 E-mail:

bcjohnson@accesswave.ca

Sue McLearn Phone: 864-4823

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-Keith McLearn

Thirteen For Tea

On December 1st, Marilyn Woods-Cameron and Brenda McClary held an afternoon tea for the senior ladies of Beaver Bank. The tea was held at Marilyn's home.

The guests, all 75 years or older, enjoyed an afternoon of refreshment, talk and laughter and renewed old friendships. Those attending were Charlotte Cahill, Margaret Forrest, Bernice Gillis, Marjorie Grove, Mae Joudrey, Bunny Lively, Jean Lively, Helen Lively, Dottie Lively, Pearl Nicholson, Elsie Webb, Marie Williams and Rene Woods. Thank you to Sylvia Dalrymple and Ruby Heffler for their help with the tea and apologies to any Beaver Bank ladies, who were born in 1927 or earlier, that we may have missed.

-Heather Lunn



Marilyn Woods-Cameron Serving Tea,
Seated: Bunny Lively, Dottie Lively, Mae Joudrey, Charlotte Cahill

250th Anniversary Celebrations in Lunenburg

This summer a great genealogical event will be taking place in Lunenburg to celebrate the founding of the community. From 1750 to 1752 a total of 12 ships arrived in Halifax with settlers called "The Foreign Protestants". They came mainly from Germany, but also from French Montbéliard and Switzerland. Of the over 2700 settlers, more than half went on to Lunenburg on June 7th or 8th, 1753. Many of these families went on to populate other areas in Nova Scotia and North America and have been the focus of much study.

In the Beaver Bank area, there are many family names, which quite likely descended from these settlers. These are ones that I have found on the internet and in Winthrop Bell's book, "The Foreign Protestants of Nova Scotia": Höffler (Heffler) (Eberhard Heffler came on the "Gale" in 1752); Krüser (Creaser) (Conrad Krueser came on the "Gale" in

1752); Seelig (Selig) (Johann Jacob Seilig came on the "Murdoch" in 1751); Weinacht (Whynot, Whynacht, etc) (Johann Adam Wienaght came on the "Gale" in 1752); Ernst (2 families, 1 each from Switzerland and Germany came in 1752); Hirtle (Hertling, Hartling, Hartlin) (6 families of this name came in 1751 and 1752); Berghaus (Barkhouse) (John Nicolaus Berghaus came on the "Sally" in 1752); Bouteiller (Boutilier) (7 families from French Montbéliard in 1752); Petrequin (Patriquin) (from Montbéliard); Harnisch (Harnish) (Christopher Harnish came on the "Gale" in 1751); and Langile (Langille) (5 families from Montbéliard in 1752).

There will be many events hosted in Lunenburg over the next year, including a re-enactment of the landing in June and in July. The main genealogy "Meet, Greet & Hug" will take place July 10 to 14th. The first three days will have family tables set

up in the Lunenburg Academy, where you can consult others on family history. There will also be some books for sale. On the week-end there will be bus tours, a monument dedication, ecumenical church service and other events. On the final Monday, July 14, there will be genealogy seminars held in a 600-seat community center. They are pre-registering this event, and advance tickets only will seat some events such as the bus tours. The organizers have information available on the Internet at www.seawhy.com. As of January 4th, they had 1120 people from across North America pre-registered and a couple from the UK.

As an interesting note, here are a few names from the original ship manifests and victualling lists. See if you can recognise the name today (See page 11 for answers). 1. Ysenhaa, 2. Vuilque, 3. Ubley, 4. Bubikauffer, 5. Certier.

-Dorothy Selig

Councillor Johns Foresees A Busy Year

As I look at my calendar for the coming year, I quickly see that 2003 might possibly be my busiest year since being elected Councillor in 2000. Both the New Fire Hall / Community Centre and Beaver Bank Sewer and Water have consumed many hours over the past two years, and with a scheduled construction start of the new hall to be in April, as well as projects in other areas of District 19, this year is quickly becoming one of the busiest. Although I will be at the Town Hall meeting in February, where residents will once again discuss issues like the Community Centre and the Sewer and Water, I did want to quickly give an update on the sewer project.

SEWER AND WATER UPDATE

As many residents remember, Beaver Bank received a \$6 million dollar commitment from the three levels of government on July 12, 2001. It was this funding which allowed the HRM to move forward and start Phase 4 of the project. Phase 4A, Tucker Lake Road was started in the summer of 2002 and I am told that by the end of January 2003, with the installation of the pumping station on Tucker Lake, that the work will be complete and all the residents along the road will be able to hook on.

I am happy to report that on October 21, 2002, two years to the day of being elected Councillor for Beaver Bank, the second amount of funding from the Canada Nova Scotia Infrastructure Program was announced. Premier John Hamm, Federal Minister Robert Thibault and Halifax Regional Municipal Mayor Peter Kelly made the announcement at the Pockwock Water Treatment Plant in Hammonds Plains. In attendance were many of the members of the ad-hoc Beaver Bank Sewer and Water Committee as well as myself and MLA Barry Barnett. This amount, \$9.6 million from the Federal, Provincial and Municipal governments, will allow for the completion of the entirety of phase 4. So far, HRM has completed the required engineering needed for Phases 4B and C, Shunamon and Barrett Woods Subdivisions, and work is expected to be tendered in late spring, with a tentative early summer construction start. As was

planned, the remaining phases (Phase 4D, E) are expected to begin in the spring of 2004.

I am very proud of the fact that because of the work done by HRM staff and myself we were successful in getting the \$3.5 million water tower included at almost no cost to the residents of Beaver Bank. As I reported before, the initial plan prior to 2000 was to build the tower, which was required to service those homes in Phases 4D and E, and that the cost would be area rated over the entire community of Beaver Bank who received the service (phases 1 – 4 A-E). I argued that the tower was part of the project and was a requirement of connecting all phases and therefore should qualify for funding under the program. I was successful in convincing the Municipality and Water Commission of this and it seems that the Federal and Provincial governments agreed. Now, because of a required capital cost contributions from the HRM Fire Department and Water Commission along with the dollars granted by the infrastructure program, I am confident that the tower will cost next to nothing to the residents.

BEAVER BANK ROAD DETOUR

As part of the over all Beaver Bank Sewer Project the Municipality recently undertook and completed a twinning of the trunk sewer line between the Glendale and Stokil Drive section of the Beaver Bank Road. This construction was required because the existing single sewer pipe was not large enough to accommodate the increased flows that will occur as Phases 4A- E of the Beaver Bank Sewer Project join the service. As we all know, the population of Beaver Bank has increased substantially over the years. A traffic report from October 2000 showed that approximately 20,000 vehicles travel along the Beaver Bank Road every day. Many of the residents in the neighborhoods affected by the detour were concerned about the diversion of this high volume of traffic onto their residential streets and the impact the detour would have on their daily lives and the safety of their children. I sincerely thank residents of Beaver Bank for their patience and understanding as to these

residents concerns. I realize that it might seem like HRM went to an extreme, but I assure you that I would push for the same for any of the areas of District 19. I apologize to all those residents who were inconvenienced by detours and delays.

A QUICK THANKS

In closing I would like to take the opportunity to once again thank all those who have worked over the last 15 years to see this project a reality. The members of the BBSW committee, Former Councillor Dave Merrigan, the staff of HRM and The Water Commission, as well The Progressive Conservative, Liberal and NDP parties at both the Provincial and Federal levels. I would especially like to thank one person in particular who has been involved during just about the entire project, MLA Barry Barnett. In my opinion Barry has been very committed to this project both as the Councillor for Beaver Bank and now as the MLA for the area. His advice and guidance have helped me to serve the residents of Beaver Bank better and for that I thank him. Unfortunately due to a boundary change, Barry will no longer have the opportunity to represent the people of Beaver Bank. I hope whoever precedes him will show the same care and commitment towards the community.

In closing I certainly encourage all residents of Beaver Bank to attend the upcoming Town Hall Meeting at Harold T Barrett Jr. High on February 12, 2003. With all the new and exciting things happening in Beaver Bank it will be a great opportunity to once again stay informed and get the answers to any questions Beaver Bankers might have. I look forward in seeing you there.

-Councillor Brad Johns

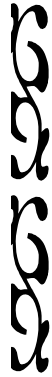
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Kellie Taylor Receives Queens Medal

On November 10, 2002, Kellie Tanner was one of 19 people from the federal riding of MP Peter Stoffer to receive the Queen Elizabeth II Golden Jubilee Medal. (The only person from Beaver Bank.) Kellie received her medal for her contributions to her community and province through fiddling. She is a five time provincial representative of Nova Scotia at the Canadian Grand Masters Fiddling Championships, an exclusive invitation-only competition in Ontario (usually 25-35 competitors attend from across the country), a four-time Maritime Fiddling Champion (current 19-59 division winner), she also has a collection of about 75 awards from all three Maritime Provinces. Kellie also received the medal for her volunteer work: Performing at benefits for Alzheimer's, Cancer Research, the food bank, Cobequid Centre, Christmas Daddies as well as a few private benefits. She also was involved with the Maritime Fiddlers Association and the former Downeast Oldtime Fiddling Contest, which led to a Provincial Volunteer Week Award. It was a very exciting moment for Kellie and she was able to share it with her proud Beaver Bank relatives: mother Sandra Tanner, brother Danny Tanner and grandparents Jim and Muriel Cullen.

-The Tanner Family



Right: Peter Stoffer, MP; Kellie Taylor; Lt. Gov. Myra Freeman; Lawrence Freeman.
Below: Group photo taken at the Queen's Jubilee Medal Presentation



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