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**Come Out To The Annual Town Hall Meeting Feb 18**

## Policing Changes Made In Beaver Bank

On Nov 26, the BBCCA at the request of Councillor Brad Johns held a meeting with RCMP Staff Sgt Steve Scott of the Lr Sackville Detachment and Superintendent Vernon Fraser. Other RCMP members attended along with representatives from the Beaver Bank Kinsac Community Centre, the Policing Office, the BBK Volunteer Fire Department, the Ladies Auxiliary, the CAP site, the HRM Community Response Team and HRM. All totalled 26 community members and invited guests sat down to speak about Community Security and the future of policing in Beaver Bank & Kinsac.

The meeting was initially called to address concerns expressed by many in the community over our Community Officer Tom McLeod's ever increasing workload, increasing vandalism and the perception that if Tom was not available Beaver Bank was put on the back burner. The agenda was presented to cover the following topics; Citizens on Patrol being underutilized; the City Watch Program; our Policing Officer; general security and safe community; Policing Office volunteers; more reporting in the Bulletin; and finally what we can do as a community to help.

The first topic addressed was the "Citizens on Patrol" (COP) program. This is a program where community members are signed up and trained by the RCMP. They then patrol equipped with a two-way radio. Should suspicious activity be spotted, they would then radio to dispatch and the officer on duty would access the situation. No further action is

taken by the COP volunteer. Cst McLeod advised the group that an initial meeting had taken place with interested people and that a follow-up meeting was scheduled for Dec 9<sup>th</sup>. There was concern expressed that the policing office only had one radio available, which may not be enough and that if the volunteers were not trained quickly they would drop out from lack of interest. Councillor Johns said that he may be able to help purchase more equipment. It was decided that contact people would need to be designated; in the meantime interested people could contact the Policing Office. Vernon Fraser stated that this program has just started in HRM but was already reporting a huge success.

Jane Nauss, of Community Response HRM, spoke on the City Watch program. This is a fairly new but underutilized system that uses phone, fax, email, cell or pager numbers to contact any amount of people almost immediately. This automated process was initiated by Burnside Watch and was used during the Sept 11 crisis. The objective is to share information with the goal of reducing crime and the accompanying fear. The system is available to individuals, community groups or businesses. Anyone who wishes to use the system must complete a membership form. The groups are set up and messages would be sent to them according to what they want. For example, a neighbourhood watch group would get notices of criminal activity, lost children and pets or upcoming meetings. Vernon Fraser

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**Please Check Public Notices, School or Church Columns for Details on Events February**

12 - BBK Community Centre Meeting, 7 pm, Scotia Admin Offices, BB Villa  
 13 to 15 - Winter Carnival, hosted by Sackville Youth Council, various venues in Beaver Bank & Sackville, watch for notices.

16 to 22 - Baden Powell - Scouts & Guides Week, see page 4.

**18 - 10th Annual BBCCA Town Hall Meeting, doors open 6 pm, meeting starts 7 pm sharp.**

23 - No School, PD Day

24 - Shrove Tuesday, Pancake Supper, Church of the Good Shepherd, 4 to 6 pm

25 - Ash Wednesday

### March

5 - Deadline for March April Bulletin

10 - BBCCA Monthly Meeting, 7 pm Scotia Admin Offices, BB Villa

11 - BBK Community Centre meeting, 7 pm, Scotia Admin Offices, BB Villa

15 to 19 Inclusive - March Break

20 - First day of Spring

### April

8 - BBK Community Center Meeting, 7 pm, Scotia Admin Office, BB Villa

9 to 12 - Easter Weekend

14 - BBCCA Monthly Meeting, 7 pm Scotia Admin Offices, BB Villa

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

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## **Fire Department Has Quiet Xmas Season**

For the months of Nov. and Dec. our Department was fairly quiet with only 10 calls. There were 3 MVA's, 2 Alarms activated, and 5 medical assists. This brings our total for the year to 114 calls (up 11%). We had a quiet Christmas and New Years, which gave our members an uninterrupted Christmas Day and New Years Eve this year.

I would like to remind the person in the Ford Tempo, who must of had a brain giggy the Wednesday of the children's Christmas concert, not to park in front of the bay doors. Behind those bay doors we park fire trucks and if you park your car in front of the doors we may take a little longer to respond to someone who may need our help. Also those big trucks tend to make a mess of your car as it pushes it across the parking lot.

With the weather as warm as it has been the woods stoves haven't been working very hard. This could lead to a lot more creosote build up, so keep an eye on those chimneys. There's also a lot of Juan wood being burnt in some stoves, this wood is really too green to burn this year and will cause creosote build up which will lead to a visit from us to put your chimney fire out. So far this Year we haven't had any chimney fires, keep up the good work!

We haven't had much messy weather yet and roads have been pretty good, but remember to drive to the conditions and remember when the roads are just wet in town they could be icy out here.

In closing remember permits to burn are required all year round and can be picked up at the fire hall on Tuesdays nights between 19:00 - 20:00 hrs. This time of year there is no charge and you may burn during the day. For more info call 865-8996 or 499-0317. Remember to check ice conditions before you venture out. Play safe.

*-Chief Gord West*

### **The BBCAA would like to thank the following families and business that took memberships since November.**

#### **Family Memberships**

Elizabeth Barrett

Keith & Heather Barrett

Eugene & Frances Briand

Scott & Patti Lynn Butler

Stewart & Anna Carter

Larry & Margie Drew

Barbara Hall

Brian & Beverly Hawco

A. Jane Jack

Betty & Brian Joudrey

Rev. Wim Kreeft

June Lively

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Thomas & Joan McLaughlin

Ron, Linda & Denise Moakler

Pearl Nicholson

Paul & Beth Robinson

Jack & Sylvia Sheehy

Jim & Eleanor Usher

#### **Business Member**

Screen Craft

## **Thanks from The LA**

The Ladies Auxiliary would like to thank the following for their contributions to our Christmas Turkey Bingo.

-HRM Councillor Brad Johns

-Canadian Tire - Dartmouth

-Hartlen's Esso

-Gartec Industrial Supplies

-RCMP Beaver Bank Community Office

-Sackville Superstore

-Bird Stairs

-Halifax Developments Ltd.

-Joey's Convenience

We would also like to thank Lisa Mitton for being our 'bingo caller'.

We hope everyone had a happy holiday season and wish you all the best for 2004.

*-Janice West*

**Deadline for the Next  
Bulletin  
March 5, 2004**

**10th Annual  
Town Hall Meeting  
Feb 18, HTB School  
  
This Year's Theme  
Policing in our  
Community**

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## **Financial Statement For 2003 Beaver Bank Community Awareness Association**

**Opening Balance:** 5920.82  
**Revenue:**  
Memberships 2645.00  
Bulletin Advertising 1020.00  
Beaver bank sales 255.00  
CAP to BBCCA 5000.00  
**Total Revenue:** 8920.00

**Expenses:**  
Bulletin Production 1200.00  
Postage 1126.46  
Office Supplies 189.01  
Cost of Beaver banks 300.00  
911 Civic Signs 966.00  
Term Deposits 10,000.00

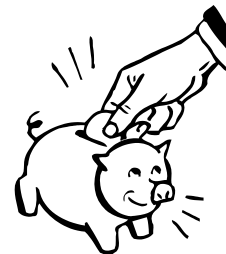
**Misc. Expenses:**  
HRM Printing Plates 180.00  
NSF Cheque 75.00  
Church Rental 100.00  
Magnets 90.32  
Bank Charges 1.00  
**Total Expenses:** 14,277.79

**Assets:**  
CD Burner 333.44  
Bank 613.03  
Term Deposits 10,000.00  
Receivables 75.00

**Liabilities:**  
CAP Site Computers  
Deposit 5000.00

**Total Assets:** 6021.47

*-Megan Sheen, Treasurer*



## **Thank You to Lt. Don Connors BBKVFD**

On Dec 24<sup>th</sup> while on my daily walk on the Beaver Bank Rd, I noticed a pink tricycle quite a distance from shore on the thin ice of Tucker Lake. My second vision was a small child walking out to retrieve the tricycle, which to me was an accident waiting to happen. On a short visit to my friend Jean Brown on my way home, she suggested calling our neighbour Don Connors. A phone call was all that was needed. In a short time Don arrived with a fire truck and a throw bag with rope, and after a few attempts he "roped" the tricycle and removed it from the ice. It is now at the Kinsac Fire Hall waiting to be claimed by the owner. Thank you to all members of the BBKVFD; what would the community do without your services?

*-Heather Lunn*



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## Scouting News

Happy New Year Everyone!

Thanks to all our friends for your support of our annual Scout Christmas Tree Lot. We sold 176 trees this year and donated approximately \$230.00 to the Beacon House along with a trunk load of food on your behalf! Your support made it a huge success! All our sections held Christmas parties in December and are now preparing for their winter camps.

The Beavers have been sliding, visited Wingate Farms, had a tour of ATV and had a presentation on Electrical Hazards. The Cubs are working on their winter camping and are busy preparing for the Kub Kar races early in March. They had a show and tell meeting following Christmas and will be linking with the Scouts at their winter camps in February. They are also busy working on their "star" work. C Pack recently had Scout Kelly McNeil join them as their Kim. The Scouts spent an evening helping out at Beacon House. They have held a movie night and finished off 2003 with a trip to the Putting Edge for mini golf. They held a late fall camp in December and will be out camping again in February. They are also working on their Leadership, Personal Development and Citizenship awards.

Baden Powell Week - Scout Guide Week is February 16 - 22, 2004. B.P. Week will start off with our annual Camp Fire Service at H.T.B. on Monday February 16th, and the Torch Light Parade will be held on Wednesday February 18th. The 8th Sackville Scouting group has invited all Scouting Leaders and Guide Leaders to join them in their 25th Anniversary Celebrations at a reunion to be held on Saturday February 21st at Faith Baptist Church from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. They will finish off their anniversary celebrations with an Area Wide Scouts Own on February 22 from 2:00 p.m.- 3:00 p.m. All local scouts and guides are welcome to attend.

Our Honours and Awards Committee is busy writing up award and medal recommendations for several of our outstanding leaders. Awards will be presented for long-term service and outstanding service at our annual group camp at the end of April.

*-Wendy Saunders, Secretary*

## New Historical Society Planned - B. Johns

Usually I try to write a short article for the Bulletin every second issue or so, and it seems that the focus tends to always become around either the topic of Beaver Bank Sewer and Water or the new Fire Hall / Community Center. Although both of these are big issues, this time I wanted to try and touch on a few different topics.

However, before getting to them, I would like to let those residents who have just finished having the sewer and water installed know that they will soon be able to hook up to the system. I have asked staff to draft an in depth letter to mail to those residents in Phases 4 B, C, as well as those in the coming phase, to highlight what is happening and what can be expected. As usual if residents have any specific questions or concerns please call me and I will do my best to help you. With February just around the corner I will once again be attending the Beaver Bank Town Hall meeting, February 18, 2004 at Harold T Barrett, and will again have HRM staff there to help ensure that all questions are answered for residents.

One of my roles as a Councillor for the HRM is to attend a variety of boards and commissions. A new role has been to become Councils representative as a committee member on the Halifax Regional Rural Fire Committee. Both myself and Fire Chief Gord West sit on this board, which examines the needs of rural fire services. Collectively we ensure that the needs and wants of Beaver Bank are well represented. This committee, which meets monthly, travels throughout the Municipality and as a member I have had the chance to observe first hand how the fire service in Beaver Bank stands up with the many other volunteer and full time services around HRM. I am honestly proud to say that Beaver Bank is without a doubt one of the best. Often, as residents, we take for granted the commitments, dedication, ongoing training requirements and professionalism that these volunteers devote to keeping our community safe. I would like to take a moment to publicly thank Chief Gord West, and all the members of our volunteer fire department for their daily efforts. I know that they are all anxiously awaiting the

opening of the new station and I think it will be well appreciated and deserved.

Prior to being elected Councillor for Beaver Bank I had two personal goals which I had hoped to achieve in the community if elected. The first, which is quickly on it's way to becoming a reality, was a Community Recreational Building much like the one in Upper Sackville, and the second was to try and create an area similar to Sackville's Fultz house, where the history of Beaver Bank could be stored and kept. In November I had the opportunity to attend a special Sunday Remembrance Day service at the Church of the Good Shepard. Prior to the service I was down stairs talking with some residents when I noticed a young woman who was busy showing the children some old articles that her grandfather had given her from when he was in the war. After the children went away I approached her and we struck up a conversation about the artifacts. While we conversed it became clear to me that many of the original residents of Beaver Bank are getting older, a few having past away within the last few years, and that perhaps now was the time to start trying to make my second goal a reality. As I had done with the community complex, at the January meeting of the Beaver Bank Awareness Association, I presented the idea of a Beaver Bank Kinsac Historical Society to see if there might be any community interest. I am delighted to say that the majority of members all felt it was an idea with merit. It is my hope that by having an organized group in the community focused on preserving the history of Beaver Bank and Kinsac that the many articles, documents and memories will remain in the community and not end up somewhere else in someone else's museum. I am sure that there are not only other residents who share the goal, but also perhaps even some who will help by contributing articles. Dorothy Selig has volunteered to be the contact person and I am hoping that any residents who might like to help form the society would contact either Dorothy or myself so that we can setup a meeting in March / April. There will also be a sign up sheet at the Town Hall

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suggested that we start to gather information from groups so that they would be able to use the system. It was also agreed that the program would be presented at the Town Hall Meeting.

Vernon Fraser also addressed general security in the community. He felt there was a necessity to update the Neighbourhood Watch program. There was also a question posed as to how far we can go when faced with criminal activity. There is a provision in the criminal code that allows for a citizens arrest, BUT this is a very tricky area. You can be very badly hurt or you can be sued by the criminal for using excessive force. The criminally minded know the system and will use it against you. The RCMP understand that watching crimes happen can be very frustrating, especially vandalism, but, to use an old cliché, it's better to be safe than sorry. Falsifying information to 911 to get quicker attention was also discussed. If you pretend that a call is more severe than it is you can be fined up to \$5000.

Staff Sgt Scott then introduced the group to the new policing model for Beaver Bank and other communities. This new system allows for a POD of officers to cover our community. This will replace the single Community Officer. There will be 4 officers, one per shift, assigned to Beaver Bank Kinsac. They will always be the same members, except in times of vacations, etc. at which time the shift will be covered. The officers will spend the majority of their time in our community. The bulk of case paperwork will be transferred to internal members. This means that the duty officer will be the first responder, but then the follow-up, such as witness statements, will be done by another officer. This will free the duty officer from excessive time out of the community for things like attending court. It is expected that the open case files that the duty officer carries will drop to 5 from about 40. These officers will be expected to make use of the Community Policing Office and coordinate complaints with the other members of the POD.

To quickly finish up the other topics discussed that night, I will outline them here. It was expressed that it is important that the officers get to know the youth in the community. Delphis Roy was asked if

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there were any apparent reasons for volunteers leaving the Policing Office. Mr. Roy and the other staff felt that it was a problem inherent in the volunteer system and they hope to get more people involved in the office once they are in the Community Complex. Brad Johns expressed concern that if the new policing system does not work we will have lost our Officer and will have no one dedicated to the community. Vernon Fraser stated that this program had to work and that bugs will be worked out so that it will be a success. Staff Sgt Scott will be providing the Bulletin with crime stats reports, as available. The meeting was wrapped up at 9:30 and, I think, was most productive.

Since this special meeting the BBCAA held their December monthly meeting. Two of the new officers, along with Cpl Parker Kennedy and several group members present at the special meeting were able to attend. The new business for the meeting was dedicated to the new policing system. It was strongly stated that Beaver Bank Kinsac, having lost our single Community Officer, will not accept anything less than what we had, but that the new policing model looked promising. It was agreed that good record keeping and the utilization of the volunteers in the Policing Office was essential, and the POD officers must maintain a high profile in Beaver Bank Kinsac. The two officers requested that we help to define the problem areas, geographically. It was

agreed at the end of the meeting that this year's Town Hall Meeting would take on the theme of Policing, introducing the new model and the City Watch program.

All in all, I think that over these two meetings a lot of good information was given and received. We look forward to seeing the officers at the Town Hall and in the community. I would also like to take this time to thank Cst. Tom McLeod. You were a very valuable asset to this community and we will miss you. Good luck as the Lockview High School Officer, keep our kids safe.

*-Dorothy Selig*

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meeting.

Finally before I go I would like to invite any resident who would like to have an opportunity to discuss with me any questions, concerns or ideas they may have, the chance to meet me for a coffee or tea over breakfast to chat. (My wife tells me that the only time my mouth is closed is when I'm eating, so I guess you'll be sure I'll listen.) Please give me a call and we can arrange a date and location on just about any weekday between 7 am and 9 am. I'll even buy the coffee.

Once again I look forward to seeing everyone at the Town Hall meeting and I sincerely wish that your best day of 2003, is your worst day of 2004.

*-Councillor Brad Johns*

# From The Nations Capital With MP Peter Stoffer

reduction of social and health-care costs by continuing to push this bill

## Bill C-211: Crossing the Floor

In 2000, I brought forth a bill prohibiting Members of Parliament to 'cross the floor', choosing to leave the party they were elected to represent to go to another political party. This bill was defeated in 2002 by the Liberals, Conservatives and some Alliance Members.

I then reintroduced this idea in October 2002 with Bill C-211: An Act to amend the Parliament of Canada Act, so that Members of Parliament have a procedure to follow when they 'cross the floor'. The proposed bill would allow the Member to sit as an independent without having to resign. However, following the process as outlined in the bill, a Member wishing to go to another party must resign their seat, get nominated for the 'new' political party, and then run as their candidate.

As Members of Parliament, our constituents elected us and we represent these constituents in the House of Commons. I feel that it is our obligation to allow these constituents, our employers, to choose whether they wish to have us continue to represent them under a different banner.

## Softwood Lumber

I see several problems not properly addressed with a recent proposal to resolve the softwood lumber dispute between the United States and Canada. These include a quota system, levies and regional differences; issues which I addressed in a recent letter sent to Prime Minister Paul Martin.

The quota system proposed is very problematic, including a Canadian quota less than the system already in place under the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA). The imposition of this decreased quota would shift the

struggle that is currently between the United States and Canada, to a struggle between Canadian Provinces and Territories. The smaller companies would be forced out of business, taken over by the larger companies, whose employees would most likely become seasonal employees. First Nations land claims will also make access to a portion of the quota difficult.

Only 52% of levies paid to the United States by Canadian lumber producers will be returned to Canada, leaving the over \$1 billion dollar balance with the United States. Additionally, Maritime softwood lumber comes mostly from private landowners and as a result currently have a separate Maritime Accord with the United States. The rest of Canadian softwood comes mostly from Crown land. Despite this major difference, the Maritimes are scheduled to be included in the Pan-Canadian solution, which I fundamentally oppose.

## Canada's Coast Guard

Our Coast Guard has been under the control of the Department of Fisheries and Oceans since 1995. Since that time, the Coast Guard has seen cuts to funding and an overall lack of direction, resulting in what I feel is an unmitigated disaster. There has recently been a lot of discussion about the Coast Guard, which I strongly feel should be a stand-alone agency. In fact, a recent Senate report included a recommendation advocating the same thing. With it's own budget and mandate, this would enable them to effectively provide Canada with secure navigable waters. Offshore patrols, drug smuggling, over fishing, illegal immigration and marine and environmental protection should be included in their mandate. I will continue to work with the Standing Committee on Fisheries and Oceans and in house to pursue this goal.

## Amateur Sports Bill and Motion to Remove HST from Funeral Services

In 2002, I introduced a private members bill in the House to allow a tax deduction for fees paid to participate in amateur sport. I hope to see an increase in participation by all Canadians, resulting in happier and healthier Canadians and a

forward.

I also put forward a motion for the elimination of all taxes on goods and services required for funeral and cemetery arrangements of Canadians. This is an issue I have been working on, on your behalf, since 1998.



## Ottawa: Back in Session!

The House of Commons will return to session on February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2004. This is marked by a Speech from the Throne, generally read by the Governor General on the Queen's behalf. Prepared by the Government, it provides some detail of the Government's view of the country's condition as well as any legislation they plan to bring forward. As you all know, we have a new Prime Minister and new Cabinet to watch closely, ensuring that the needs of Atlantic Canadians are at the forefront. I intend to continue representing your views, and will pay particular attention to the budget, usually outlined shortly after the start of a new session.

I truly enjoy representing my constituency's beliefs and concerns in the House of Commons. If you have issues you would like raised, please let me know at (902) 865-2311, or toll-free at 1-888-701-5557.

-Peter Stoffer, MP

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Doors open 6 pm



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## BBK to Focus on Community History

The Christmas concerts, held on December 16th and 17th, were well attended by family and friends. There were many positive comments and all the children should be very proud of their fine performances. A special thanks to Mrs. Boyce, our Music teacher for the many hours of work and to our retired Music teacher, Ms. Fougere who provided piano accompaniment. The costumes were wonderful - thanks to a very talented and ambitious parent - Mrs. Susan Cooper.

The months of January, February and March will be very busy ones for all the classes as we focus on the past of Beaver Bank. The 4C's Foundation awarded our school with a grant that will enable us to delve into the history of our community and share what we will learn through song, painting, writing and other mediums. We welcome any member of the community to get involved with this project. A great way to share your skills and knowledge!!! Please contact Mrs. Langille or Mrs. Boyce at 864-6805 for more information.

Congratulations to two staff members, Mrs. Grove and Mrs. Elliott, who became grandparents during the month of December. Both have new granddaughters!!

The first term will end at the end of January and report cards will be sent home in early February.

*-Gail Langille, Principal*

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**Safe Arrival**

## BB Monarch Seeks Donations

Since the last Bulletin our school community has celebrated its annual Christmas Concerts, and has been able to provide Christmas hampers and presents for several needy families, thanks to monies received from the silver collection and food products provided at each of the concerts. We have continued to maintain our food bank, which annually has been a spin-off from the Christmas season and welcome any form of non-perishable goods, which we in turn provide to families over the course of the winter season. As a result we welcome any form of donations whenever you have an opportunity to visit. We are also on the lookout for gloves and mittens, which we seem to go through in great quantities during the winter season.

We do hope that all persons in the Beaver Bank Kinsac community had a safe and enjoyable Christmas Season.

*-Terry Broadbent, Principal*

## Successful Dance Held For Youth Center

On behalf of the Beaver Bank Kinsac Community Youth Centre Fundraising Committee, we would like to thank the following companies and individuals for their support with our dance on December 19<sup>th</sup>.

- McLearn Bros.
- Maritime Travel
- Phil MacDonald and Atlantic Superstore
- Fabian MacDonald and Vachon
- Coun. Brad Johns
- Jerry Schmuland
- Sandra Gilby and volunteers

The success of our future youth centre is dependent upon the commitment and support of individuals and companies such as these.

*-Sue McLearn*



## The Beaver Bank Kinsac Community Centre Needs Your Used Equipment!

Do you have fitness or office equipment that is lonely, not being used? If so, we have a plan to make your used equipment feel wanted and new again!

We are in the process of furnishing a Wellness Room and an office, in the Beaver Bank Kinsac Community Centre. The office will be utilized by both the BBCAA and the BBKCC.

Please contact a member of the Board of Directors for the Beaver Bank Kinsac Community Centre if you have any items or equipment you wish to donate.

## Christmas Tea For Eight

On Dec 12<sup>th</sup> Marilyn Woods-Cameron was hostess for an afternoon tea for eight senior Beaver Bank ladies. The tea was held at Marilyn's home, which was beautifully decorated for the Christmas season. Those attending were Margaret Forrest, Bernice Gillis, Mae Joudrey, Dottie Lively, Jessie Lively, Marie Williams, Hilda Tanner and Gwen Mosher. They enjoyed an afternoon of renewing old friendships, and refreshments. Marilyn's helpers for the tea were Sylvia Dalrymple, Ruby Hefler and Elizabeth Grzesec.

*-Heather Lunn*

**Mae Joudrey, at right, waits for tea.**



IN MEMORIAM

**IN MEMORY OF  
LLOYD GILBY SR.**

JUNE 10, 1923 - FEBRUARY 22, 2002

Those we love don't go away,  
They walk beside us everyday.

Unseen, unheard, but always near,

Still loved, still missed, still very dear.

Always remembered by Laurretta, Gaelyn and Clyde, Buff and Melody, Reg and Julie, Greg, Scott, and Grandchildren, Jennie, Victoria, Jessica, Jessica D., Rebecca, Katie, Ryan, Dusty, Andrew, Cody, Brady, and Connor.

THANK YOU

**HUNTLEY**

The family of the late James (Jim) Huntley of Beaver Bank wish to express their sincere appreciation for the support and compassion they received. To the Beaver Bank Kinsac Fire Department, the Emergency Response Team, the staff at the Cobequid Multi-Service Center, especially Lorraine, and the generous effort and support from the many friends at St. John Evangelist, to Archdeacon Ron Cutler and Reverend Gloria Lee for their special guidance. To all who donated food, gave flowers, made contributions, sent cards and letters, TK Bernard Funeral Home, and, last but not least, all the family and friends that consoled us and helped to ease the pain of our loss. Words can not truly express our gratitude.

*Sincerely,*

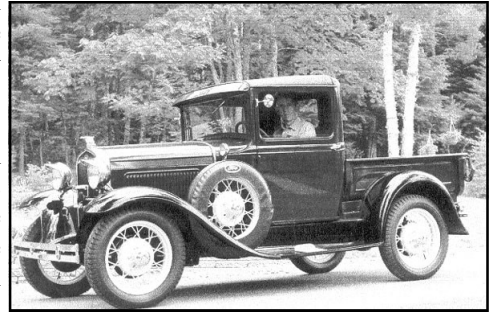
*Pat, Dan, Bonnie and Jim's sisters,  
brother and their families.*

**"Beaver banks" will  
be on sale at the  
10th Annual  
Town Hall Meeting  
Feb 18**

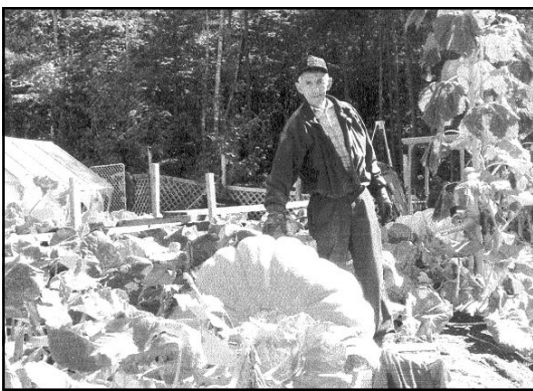
**JAMES ANTHONY HUNTLEY**

Sympathy is extended to the family of Jim Huntley who passed away on Dec 6<sup>th</sup>, 2003. Born in Kinsac to John "Jack" and Elizabeth Huntley, he always resided in Kinsac and Beaver Bank. He received his education at Middle Beaver Bank School.

He was employed at Tank Lines and Municipal Spraying until 1969 when he became self-employed. His company was James Huntley Construction Ltd., later he added Community Sanitation to his business. He retired in 1999. Jim had many interests; his favourite was the restoration of antique vehicles, one being a 1931 Model A Ford truck. He also enjoyed growing pumpkins, and last year he was 7<sup>th</sup> place winner in Atlantic Canada with his 925lb pumpkin. He and Pat brought enjoyment to many with their large pumpkins beautifully decorated for Halloween.



A celebration of Jim's life was held at St. John the Evangelist Church on Dec 10<sup>th</sup>. Archdeacon Ron Cutler officiated. He is survived by his wife of 40 years Pat (nee Clough), son Don and daughter Bonnie; sisters Ileen (Darrell) Lively, Penny (Maynard) Lively and Margaret (Russell) Kramer; brother John (Delores) and several nieces and nephews.



Jim will be missed by his family, many friends and those he worked with during his years in business.

*-Heather Lunn*

**Community Service Award**

On Dec 5<sup>th</sup>, 2003 at the Westin Hotel, Darren Foster accepted an award from the Nova Scotia Home Builders Association for Barrett Lumber Company Limited. The plaque read:

"Community Service Award.

Barrett Lumber Company Ltd. Thank you for your generous support of the Metro Food Bank renovation project"

Congratulations to Barrett Lumber Co Ltd and thank you from the community for continuing the tradition of your father Harold T. Barrett, founder of the Mill in 1926, of always being supportive of charities in your community.



Hugh, David and Keith Barrett are shown with their recent Community Service Award.

*-Heather Lunn*

## Church of the Good Shepherd

28 Trinity Lane, Beaver Bank  
**Priest:** Rev. Liz Earley 455-6222  
**Sunday Service:** 10:30 am  
**Sunday School (Nursery Avail):** 10:30  
**Church Office:** 865-0203  
**Church Wardens:**  
Dwain Gordon 864-0024  
Brian Britten 864-0678  
Dameon Lowe 865-2320  
**Sunday School Superintendent:**  
Pauline Layland 865-0972  
*Family, friends and new members welcome.*  
**Mark your calendar:**  
February 24: Pancake Supper 4-6 pm  
February 25: Ash Wednesday Services, 10:30 am and 7:00 pm  
**Card Socials:**  
Church of the Good Shepherd Hall  
7:30 pm on the 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

## Shunamon - Siteman Wedding ..... 1925

It is funny where you may find historical information about your community. The newspaper clipping retyped below was found in my Great-grandmothers scrapbook. She was from Ship Harbour on the Eastern Shore, an area where the Siteman family was from. The Shunamon family settled here in Beaver Bank many years ago, when a German Hessian Soldier by that name got a grant of land after the War of 1812. His son settled here after purchasing the Beaver Bank grant from the parents, who were, I believe in Rawdon. The date Sept 1925 was handwritten on the clipping

### Shunamon – Siteman

At St. George's Church last evening the Rev. H. W. Cunningham officiated at the marriage of Mr. Sydney Shunamon, of Beaver Bank, and Miss Hillie Morris Siteman of this city, a well known schoolteacher.

The bride was attired in a handsome gown of embroidered silver grey canton with hat to correspond and carried an arm bouquet of pink sweet peas and asters. Mrs. Edward Harris of Summit Street was Matron of Honor and Miss Florence Siteman was bridesmaid.

Mr. & Mrs. Shunamon will reside in Halifax.  
(This city refers to Halifax, as it was the only city in NS at the time.)

-Dorothy Selig

## 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  
**Upcoming Events:**  
None Reported  
Any questions? Please call Carol  
at 865-2962

-Carol Cochrane

## 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

## Church of the Nazarene

650 Sackville Dr  
**Pastor:** Rev. Roy Austin  
**Phone:** 865-2135  
**Sunday School (all ages) - 10 AM**  
**Morning Worship - 11 AM**  
**Evening Service - 6 PM**  
Everyone Welcome



## 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

## 1st Sackville Presbyterian Church

60 Beaver Bank Rd. Lower Sackville.  
(Across from Glendale Plaza)  
**Minister:** Rev. Cheryl MacFadyen.  
**Church Office:** 865-3930.  
**Sunday Service:** 11:00 am with nursery provided.  
**Sunday School:** 11:00 am  
**Tuesdays:** Parents and Tots  
9-9:30 arrival.

A warm welcome awaits anyone attending our weekly church service or special events. Watch for info on our Church Sign Board.

## Peace Lutheran Church

975 Beaver Bank-Windsor Jet Crossroad  
**Minister:** Pastor Jim Slack  
864-6506  
**Office:** 864-1625  
**Sunday Worship:** 10:00 am  
**Sunday School:** 10:00 am  
*You're Always Welcome*

-Pastor Jim Slack

## Our Community Center History

### **Barrett Woods Neighbourhood Watch. (Est. 1993)**

Wishing everyone in Beaver Bank a healthy, happy and safe New Year 2004.

The Neighbourhood Watch Barrett Woods is a program developed through the RCMP to help reduce crime in neighbourhoods. This means neighbours helping other neighbours stay tuned to what is happening throughout our subdivision, and the surrounding areas. This could take the form of alerting them via the phone to maybe a burglary nearby, lost children, lost dogs/cats, bears wandering, suspicious cars, or people etc. This program is free to join; if you are new to the area we welcome you, and if you would like to join please give me a call at 864-1533 or call the RCMP office at 864-6072 for more information. Neighbourhood Watch comes under the umbrella of the Crime Prevention Association, with constable Wendy Ruby as our liaison officer.

*-Thank you, May Renfrew.*

To Submit an Article, Column  
or Notice Contact  
**Bonnie Ryan 864-7609**  
ryanwest@hfx.eastlink.ca

### **Tucker Lake Rd Neighbourhood Watch Carol Sing**

On Dec 16<sup>th</sup>, twenty-five Tucker Lake Road residents held their annual Christmas carol sing at the home of Max and Isobel Rafuse. Music was supplied by Ernie Rafuse and Brian McKillop and all in attendance enjoyed the singing, hot cider and there was plenty of food. As always it was a very enjoyable evening and a chance to wish neighbours "Season Greetings" and hear news about family and friends. Thank you to Max and Isobel for hosting this years carol sing, and to all who helped with the refreshments.

*-Heather Lunn*

On behalf of the Board of Directors and Steering Committee for the Beaver Bank Kinsac Community Centre I want to wish everyone a Happy New Year. The past year has seen many changes, from the creation of a Board of Directors for the Community Centre, to the construction of the new building. I'd like to take this opportunity to give a brief history of how the Community Centre came to be.

It was in March 2001 that Councilor Johns approached the BBCAA with the idea of building a Recreation Centre and Brian Johnson and Sue McLearn were elected to head a Steering Committee to look into the project. In June 2001, the Steering Committee decided to hold a street dance to raise awareness for the project. So, with only a couple weeks notice, the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Street Dance was organized and held in July 2001. Surveys were distributed to the residents of Beaver Bank in the Fall of 2001 and as the results were compiled it became evident that there was a lot of interest in having a community centre located in Beaver Bank. With the results from a focus group, held in November 2001, and the survey, the Steering Committee had the information it needed from the community to create the initial plans for the Community Centre.

A sketch was created of the tentative plan and presented by Fred Gallop at the Annual Town Hall Meeting in February 2002. The interest at the meeting was very encouraging and a number of volunteers came forward to complete the full Steering Committee. The Spring of 2002 sent us out to look at various sites to determine the best location. Terry Gallagher, HRM Real Property Services, was assigned to our group to assist us in making this dream a reality. He presented the Steering Committee with an Option Analysis in July 2002, which contained the pros and cons of the different options. The best plan would see the Community Centre combined with a new Fire Hall. July 2002 also saw the 2nd Annual Street Dance being held and almost doubling the numbers for participation and revenue from the previous year. In August 2002, Dennis Ramsey, AMEC,

presented the first of many draft plans for a combined complex. November 2002, HRM purchased the property at 1583 Beaver Bank Rd, the future site of the Beaver Bank Kinsac Community Complex, and the house located on the lot was listed for sale and removal. The house was sold and removed during the Winter of 2002/2003.

In the Spring of 2003, HRM Council approved the finances for the Community Complex and awarded the tender for construction to Avondale Construction. It was an exciting day in May 2003 when the sod turning ceremony was held and the sign revealed at the site for the new complex. In June 2003, only 27 months after the idea was presented to the BBCAA, construction began! It is definitely worth noting that other smaller and definitely larger projects often take substantially longer to accomplish what the residents of Beaver Bank were able to do in less than three years.

In keeping with new beginnings, the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual General Meeting for the Beaver Bank Kinsac Community Centre was held on June 12, 2003, by-laws were presented and approved and the first Board of Directors for the Community Centre were elected. July 2003 proved that Beaver Banker's like to have a good time when the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Street Dance was held. Like the previous year, it has continued to grow and once again almost doubled in numbers for both participation and revenue. August 2003 brought the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Beaver Bank Golf Tournament. The tournament was a huge success with over 50% of the golfers from Beaver Bank. The Board of Directors, in conjunction with the Steering Committee, have continued to be very busy throughout 2003 coordinating details for the construction of the complex. The Board of Directors have also been working on policies and procedures and creating the committees that will be necessary to run the Community Centre when it opens in 2004. Late in the Summer of 2003, the Beaver Bank Kinsac Community Centre received a grant from the Capital Health Board to build an outdoor skating rink.

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# Beaver Bank Kinsac Community Center

"Building a strong foundation in our community."



**YES! I want to support our community!** Please print clearly and return along with your cheque for either \$25 , for the 2" x 6" tile, or \$50 for the 4" x 6" tile payable to the Beaver Bank Kinsac Community Center at the address below. *(One order form per tile purchased.)*

Name on Tile: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Company: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City/Town : \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
 E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

1583A Beaver Bank Road, Beaver Bank, N.S. , B4G 1C5

**Y**our generous support will help the funding of equipment and a variety of activities within the new center.



**Y**our name, or company name, will be engraved on a tile which will be placed in the Main Lobby of the new Beaver Bank Kinsac Community Center.

**Our Community is growing, and we need your "growing" support.**

**Please Purchase a Tile!**

**"Building A Strong Foundation in Our Community"**

Your Name or Company Name here.

2" x 6" Tile  
\$25

Your Name or Company Name here.

4" x 6" Tile  
\$50

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Work is under way at the tennis courts in Beaver Bank to create the rink. With a bit of cooperation from the weather and the community we hope to have it operational in the near future. In November 2003, the Board of Directors created and approved the following mission statement for the Beaver Bank Kinsac Community Centre: "The Beaver Bank Kinsac Community Centre is a not-for-profit organization, dedicated to building a stronger community by providing a multi-purpose gathering place for people of all ages."

We feel that the statement clearly summarizes everything that came out of the original survey and focus group. During the Board of Director's meeting in December 2003, Laurie Campbell and Fred Gallop were appointed as the Co-chairs for the Senior's Group. These appointments are made in the interim until a Senior's Group is formed and the members have an opportunity to select

their own representative. Welcome to the Board of Directors, Fred! The final activity for 2003 was a Youth Dance in December 2003. On behalf of the Steering Committee and the Board of Directors, I would like to congratulate the youth who were responsible for organizing, advertising and running the dance. Great job and we look forward to seeing more youth dances as time goes by.

The complex will be the new home for the Beaver Bank Kinsac Volunteer Fire Department and Ladies Auxiliary, RCMP Community Policing Office, CAP Site, BBCAA and the Beaver Bank Kinsac Community Centre. Within the Community Centre there is space for a Youth Centre, a Senior's Centre, a Wellness Room and various rooms for meetings and events - both public and private. We are currently looking for any equipment donations to be used in the Wellness Room. Suggestions include:

stationary bicycles, rowing machines, weights, workout mats, etc. Please contact a member of the Board of Directors if you have anything you would like to donate, either for the Wellness Room or for the Office.

With the complex set for completion in late Winter/early Spring of 2004, excitement is building. If you haven't had a chance to drive past the site lately, I encourage you to take the time. The building looks very impressive. The Board of Directors is looking for individuals who are interested in assisting with any of the committees in the Community Centre. Potential volunteers can contact a member of the Board of Directors for additional information.

Until next time, have a great year and keep an eye out for word on the official opening date!

*-Michelle West, Secretary, Beaver Bank Kinsac Community Centre (BBKCC)*

## Skating Rink Experiences Delays

I know eyes have been on the tennis courts to see how the Ice Rink is progressing and wondering when it might be ready. Yes, it is taking a long time to do this, if it will ever get done. The hope of the Community having a place to skate safely is slowly going BYE BYE thanks to our local youth, just the ones we are trying to help. A select few just could not wait, they just crawled over the fence before the whole thing was ready and played a game of hockey, cutting the liner so it will not hold water. This happened at 11 pm and they were not wanting to leave as quote; "It's a public place and we can do whatever we want", even though there was a lock on the door to let people know

not to go in. They even came back and had the second game another night.

I have put a lot of time in this for the youth but it seems that the lack of knowing right from wrong is not part of growing up these days. They seem to do just what they want and are not afraid of what might happen as it seem that nothing ever does. Whether it be the Young Offender's act or is it just that parents are losing control of their youth, being too busy or they just don't care. Sorry these words might seem a little strong but when we are using hard earned money from someone else's pocket I feel responsible to make it work.

I will try to do this the best as I can

with the resources I have left and let's hope that by the time you are reading this that the result will be positive. The ambition is fading but for the helpers that have been there also to help make this project work, thanks to them.

-Brian Johnson



Emma Selig checks the first attempt at a new outdoor skating rink for Beaver Bank, waiting patiently with her new skates.



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### Councillor Brad Johns

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## **Beaver Bank Community Awareness Association Membership Form**

*Please mail to: 1901 Beaver Bank Rd, Beaver Bank, N.S., B4G 1C9.*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_ P.C. \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed is:  \$20 Family Membership  Cash  Please mail me a receipt

\$50 Business Membership  Cheque

*Please make payment payable to "BBCAA" or "Beaver Bank Community Awareness Association"  
This form can be dropped off at Barrett Lumber Company or Hartlen's Esso*