



The River Round Up

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Cletus Landry looking very distinguished with his medals and ribbons

Cletus was born on October 21st, 1919 in River Bourgeois the son of Alvina and Joseph. He joined the army in 1942 and the next year following his marriage to Margaret Boudreau of Petit de Grat he set sail for England to fight the war. He moved on to Holland and was there until the end of the war when he returned to Canada and Margaret. Cletus and Margaret adopted daughter Claire in 1952 and a year later welcomed Georgie (who in 1999 lost his life tragically in a fire). Cletus's pride and joy are his two granddaughters Deanna and Denise and great granddaughters Kayla and Brianna. Sadly wife Margaret passed away in 1995 after 52 years together.

Cletus joined the Royal Canadian Legion in 1963 and in 1982 received a Life Membership award. Cletus spent countless hours as a volunteer with the Legion from carpentry to bingo's twice weekly to the weekly cribbage games and dances and many other special events held. In 1990 he was given the

Meritorious Service Medal and in 1995 was given the "Palm Leaf", from the Dominion of Canada President, which is the highest Legion award that can be granted to a life member. Only one other person had ever received that award in Branch 47 since its inception in 1933. In 2001 Cletus was named the Legionnaire of the year. River Bourgeois thanks veterans like Cletus who have done so much not only for Canada but also for our community. *Sharon Chilvers*

(Last month on we forgot to mention Hilda Burke & Sarah Digout's sister, Maria who was married to D.A. Sampson. Maria passed away in 1971.)

Youth Report

On the 27th of June, 10 students from River Bourgeois graduated from Richmond Academy. Kirk Boudreau, son of Michael & Annabel Boudreau, will be returning to Richmond Academy for further study. He received \$500, awarded by Beth and Carl Cooper for working diligently to graduate in the face of adversity.

Ann Burke, daughter of Bernard & Mary Burke, will be attending St. FX University for a BA, and plans on being an elementary teacher in the future. Ann received a \$1000 entrance scholarship, \$300 from St. Peter's Automotive, \$300 from A.A. Munroe Insurance, \$500 from the First Richmond Credit Union and \$200 from the River Bourgeois Community Services Society.

Tasha Lynn Burke, daughter of Neil & Maureen Cowman-Burke, will be attending Ryerson Polytechnic University for a BAA for Radio and Television Arts and plans to enter television broadcasting or production. Tasha Lynn received \$500 in memory of Tara Lynne

Touesnard, \$200 in memory of Nazarene Samson, \$250 from the River Bourgeois CWL, \$250 from St. John the Baptist Parish, \$450 from the Nova Scotia Teachers Union Richmond local and \$300 US for her entry in the essay competition in memory of George H. Basset awarded by James Nickelson.

Joseph Doary, son of Henrietta & Arthur Doary, will be attending Carleton University for the BA program in mass communications and a \$2000 entrance scholarship for the first year with a \$1000 renewable for the three following years. Joseph also received \$500 in memory of Tara Lynne Touesnard and \$100 from Richmond Academy for application to study. He was chosen to give the Valedictorian address at the graduation exercises and he plans to become an information specialist.

Chris Filion, son of Rocky and the late Myra Filion will be attending St. Mary's University for a BA program. He receives \$350 in memory of Myra Filion.

Leia Fougere, daughter of Elaine and Roy Fougere will be attending Dalhousie University in the Canadian University Study Abroad Program at the International Study Center at Herstmoceux Castle in England. She is entering a BSc Degree Program with future plans of architecture. Leia received a \$500 entrance scholarship, \$500 awarded by RM Landry and Son in memory of Janice Landry, \$200 from the Isle Madame Dental Association and \$200 from the RBCS . She also received the Nova Scotia School Athletic Federation Scholar-Athlete certificate in recognition of outstanding achievement in combining participation in school sport with academic excellence.

Peter Landry, son of Marie & Peter Landry, will be attending the Nova Scotia Community College Strait Campus for the steam fitting/pipefitting diploma. He received \$200 from the L'Ardoise Men's Club.

Victoria Morrison, daughter of Emily & George Morrison, has been accepted to Dalhousie University for a BA with future plans to pursue a career in education through international development, with a renewable entrance scholarship of \$5000 in recognition of outstanding academic achievement. She also received \$300 from MacDonnell's Pharmacy, \$500 from the First Richmond Credit Union, and \$250 from Richmond Academy for application to studies.

Jessica Samson, daughter of Hughie & Doreen Samson, will be attending Dalhousie

University for a BComm Degree Program. She receives \$100 from Richmond Academy for application to studies.

Elizabeth Touesnard, daughter of Janice & Albert, will be attending Holland College for Culinary Arts. She received \$300 from Burke Brothers Trucking.

Congratulations to Alison Boudreau, (Lynn & Wayne). Alison received the Lieutenant Governors medal for the female in Grade 11 with high academic achievement, leadership and community involvement. *Michelle Sampson*

Play School Graduation 2001



Our younger graduates are: bottom row r-l- Melanie Poaps (Ida & Robert) Haley Sampson (Pamela & Gerard) Liam Burke (Joan & Kelly) Austin Burke (Jamie & Russell). Top row Shania Boucher (Tammy), Gillian Burke (Tania) Meghan Merrick (Rose & Mark) Tyler Carter (Cheryl & Laurence)

More Graduations

Amy Doary (Henrietta & Arthur) graduated from Carleton University this month with her BA degree with honors in Mass Communication. Amy has just accepted a management position with the Pacific Hotel chain in Vancouver.

The following RB students graduated from the Nova Scotia Community College: Hotel and restaurant Management-Melissa Parks (Bob & Betty); Industrial Mechanical-Brandon Boudreau (Lynn & Wayne); Steam fitting /pipefitting-Adam Sampson with Honors (Barbara & Dwight); Welding-Wesley Brown (Doris & John); Business Information Technology-Michael Sampson (Ann & Joe) And Margaret Touesnard (Florence & Edward); Office Information Technology-Courtney Pottie (Pene & Leslie).

Villa Birthday Party

May 6th marked a special day for the

residents at the Richmond Villa. Maureen Cosman-Burke and Doreen Samson as well as other CWL members organized a birthday party for anyone celebrating in the month of May. Delta Babin was among the May babies. She turned 80 last month.



Delta Babin celebrates her birthday at Richmond villa

Some of the entertainers included Eddie Pottie, Joseph Doary, Katie Touesnard, Tasha Lynn Burke, Betty, Bob & Melissa Park, Delore Burke, Agnes Gillis and George Landry. Not only were the residents and guests entertained, but they were also provided with an assortment of food, not to mention some delicious birthday cake. Everyone had a blast, and once again the May party was a great success. *Tasha Lynn Burke*

4-H News

County Day Results for River Bourgeois 4-H club: Alyson King-- Champion Jr. Rabbit judge; Champion Jr. Crafts judge Recycle Article (necktie snake, 1st place); Photography Article (Photo Album, 2nd place): Jonathan Stone--Champion -Jr.: Vegetable Preparation.Holly Stone--Champion -Sr. Woodworking Article (quilt rack); Champion -Sr. Woodworking Competition; Woodworking- Article Small Shelf (1st Place) Sarah Landry--Champion-Jr. Photography judge; Champion-Jr. Craft Article (paper tole); Champion-Jr. Photography Article(photo Album) ;Champion-Jr. Crafts Competition Matthew Landry- Foods(Blueberry Muffins,1st place) Rebecca Landry- Crafts(Decorative Mailbox,1st place)

World Youth Day

“ You are the salt of the earth...you are the light of the world”. This scripture from the gospel of Mathew has been chosen by Pope John Paul II as the theme for the World

Youth day to be held in Toronto July 22-28,2002.It is a celebration which brings together young Catholics from around the world to learn about and celebrate their faith.

There are 3 parts to the World youth day .It begins in our Diocese with the arrival of the Pilgrim cross which was handed over by the Pope to a delegation of 47 Canadian youth on Palm Sunday. It arrived in Canada on April 11th and is being transported across each Diocese in Canada. It will be in our area on September 17-22,2001.The Cross will arrive in Arichat at 5pm on Sept 17th and will be carried from there to Louisdale, River Bourgeois, possibly to L'ardoise, Chapel Island on its way to Eskasoni.This route was chosen by the youth members of the organization committee. (TJ Burke, Mark Digout and Michelle Sampson are representing our youth at the present time).

WE HOPE THAT MANY PEOPLE, YOUNG AND OLD, FROM OUR PARISH WILL PARTICIPATE ON SEPT 17th.

The second part of World Youth Day is the days spent in the diocese and special prayer days. Parishioners have been asked to open their homes to participants from around the world from July 18-28,2002.The third part takes place in Toronto where young people 16-35 yrs of age and will take part in activities which end with an overnight Vigil and Sunday mass with Pope John Paul 11.

If you wish more information call Therese Digout (3516), Fr.Sandy Mac Neil (2602) or Marlene Burke (2769).

Birthdays

Bona A very special happy Birthday to Mary Bona who celebrated her 80th birthday on June 21st . Mary was the wife of the late Edwin Bona and they had 15 children of which 14 are still alive.

Castle –Happy 1st Birthday to Reilly Fulton Castle who will celebrate on July 3rd from Nanny, Grandpa and uncle Robbie Gates. Reilly lives in Oyen, Alberta.

Landry- We wish to welcome Danny to his 6th decade and wish him another 5 or so more.

Landry- Congratulations also to Vera Landry on her thirty something birthday.

Weddings

Burke-Purcell- The wedding of Stephen and Sheila Burke took place June 9th in Berwick.

Stephen is the son of Annie Burke of River Bourgeois and the late Freddie Burke.

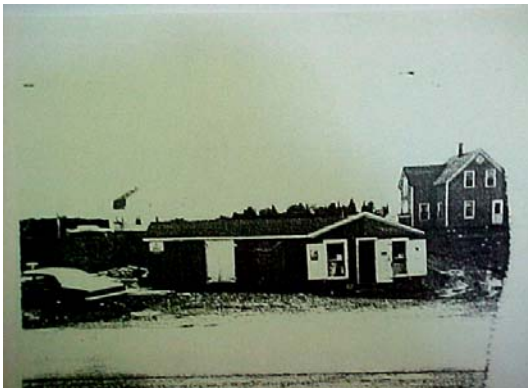
Touesnard-Martin. Wedding of Donna Marie Touesnard (Alfred & Ann) and Joey Martin of St.Peters took place at St.John the Baptist church on June 16th. Donna Marie just graduated with her BEd and is seeking a teaching position, Joey is employed at Stora and they plan to settle in River Bourgeois.

Deaths

Richard Our sympathy to family and friends of James who died May 30 in Halifax. James lived for many years in River Bourgeois and was married to the late Mary Jean (Sampson]. A war veteran, James was wounded in action in 1945 and after recovery he returned to RB where he was employed by the Richmond County Education system as well as being a dedicated volunteer in the area.

Vickery Our Sympathy to Val and Tim Cunningham and family on the death of Tim's stepfather, Roy Vickery in Yarmouth on May 29th

History



Hawker Post Office

The Hawker Post Office opened in 1919 and was in the old McPhee homestead at the right of the store; Simon McPhee was postmaster for 9 years and in 1928 Saraphine Pottie became postmistress. She stayed for 23 years at which time Leo MacPhee took over in the extension of the store seen above.

The mail for Thibeauville Rd, Seaview and Oban was sorted here and then dispatched by car. Dan McDonald and in later years Ceretha McClellan {Dan's daughter} transported the mail.

Bits & Bites!

- On Sunday, July 8th after the 10am mass there will be a Parish celebration at the Tara Lynne Center to honor Arthur Doary's completion of the Pastoral Assistants Program. Please come and express our appreciation to Arthur for making this commitment. Best Wishes only but a plate of sandwiches or sweets would be appreciated
- July 50+ Club activities: Mini Bingo July 11th at 1:30; Cribbage game July 16th at 7:00; 45 Card Game every Sunday at 7:30; No meetings for July.
- Chasing A Dream: A Players guide is a book written by our own Tracy McPhee. Published in 1999 by General Store Publishing House, it is the story covering "the issues when a youngster decides to chase the dream of playing hockey as a career". Copies are available from Anne @535-2726 Or Lorraine @535- 3011. Tracy is presently practising law in Toronto.
- Tennis Lessons at the RB Courts on Tues. and Thurs. from 12-1pm. Registration on Tues. July 11 at 9 am.
- Bingo Games are held every Fri. night at the Tara Lynne Centre at 8 pm. Early Bird at 7:40.
- Hours for the [C@P](#) site are Mon. – Fri. 2-4pm, Mon. & Thurs. 6-8pm and Sat. 1-4pm. Phone # 535-3251
- Next meeting of Community Services Society on July 18 at 7pm.
- Reminder for anyone wishing to book the Tara Lynne Community Centre To call Jr. Boucher at 535-2594. Anyone needing use of the Funeral Home call Adrian Touesnard at 535-2373.
- We appreciate your comments. Any new ones contact Sharon (535-3516) or Joe (535-2677). The Round Up is available at Howard's Grocery or First Richmond Credit Union for \$1.00 and subscriptions are available for \$12.00 per year.

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