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Theresa Kyte



Theresa Margaret Mary was born April 4th, 1943 the second daughter of Mary V. (Hanlon) & Whitney Sampson of Church Point. In 1947 her mom decided to expand the family and became a foster parent. First to come along was six month old Anna when Theresa was only four years of age and Theresa showed her displeasure at no longer being the baby by storming out of the house. Her uncle Johnny Sampson who had brought Anna over broke out in fits of laughter. However, Anna quickly won Theresa over with her relentless smile. Two years later two year old timid Joyce was welcomed with open arms. Her first word was "Anna" and since they were close in age she and Anna quickly became friends. Theresa recalls she and her sister Veronica taking the girls for a ride in the pram. The family highlight came in 1951 when they finally had a brother. Joey was fourteen months old when he walked in the front door dressed in a blue and white knitted outfit with white shoes giggling and with an endless smile. He won everyone's heart instantly.

Theresa attended the East End School until the sixth grade then she moved to the newly built Stella Maris School where she completed her grade ten (she later finished her grade twelve). She went to work in

Halifax at the Moir's chocolate factory for a year before returning home to assist her mom who had taken ill. While home she worked at Abraham Beranger's grocery store which had been purchased by Edward Sampson. The store was later purchased by her mom and moved near the property of Valerie Goyetche. The store was closed in 1965.

At age fifteen Theresa went on a blind date with Robert Kyte (son of Val & Myrtle) of St. Peters. The date was set up by her best friend Joan Bona & Michael Owens who just happened to be Robert's childhood friend. They dated for a year and a half before deciding to go their separate ways because they were so young. Robert was in the Navy at the time and when he returned home on leave the romance was rekindled. On August 27th, 1961 they were wed by Father Samson. They have three daughters, Wanda (John) & Valerie (Tim) in RB and Lydia (Blair) in Dartmouth as well as five adorable grandchildren Adam, Dale, Tanna, Brenna and Erin.

Following their marriage Robert & Theresa resided in St. Peters for a time before moving to Halifax. He returned to the Navy to complete his term before coming back to St. Peters to work for Nova Scotia Power. In 1966 the family moved to Mackenzie, BC where Robert worked in instrumentation at the Pulp Mill. Theresa was a stay at home mom and joined the Catholic Woman's League where she served two years as President. While in Mackenzie the family went on a camping trip and according to the girls it was definitely their most memorable one. Theresa had a horrible fear of bears and was convinced that they would appear during the night so she decided to sleep in the car with Valerie and the dog while Robert, Wanda and Lydia slept in the tent. Food was stored in the trunk of the car and when the bear paid a visit during the night, it began to shake the car in attempts to get in the trunk. Needless to say Theresa was now petrified and fearing the dog would bark, put it in her sleeping bag while attempting to be quiet and rolling up the open window. The bear eventually abandoned her

attempts and left. In the meantime the rest of the family slept through the entire episode.

In 1972 the family moved on to Fort Saskatchewan, Alberta and Robert was employed by Dow Chemical. Their first Christmas there Theresa insisted on having a pine tree to decorate. The only one available was over six feet tall with a total of five branches but she didn't care. According to her daughters "they only used a small portion of their tree ornaments but ma didn't care she was happy". It was their most unforgettable Christmas. Theresa had some health issues so they returned to St. Peters and Robert went to work on the oil rigs off the coast of Newfoundland & Nova Scotia where he still remains as he slowly moves towards retirement. Theresa worked at the Richmond Villa for a year in 1973-74 and in 1992 they moved to their current location in River Tillard.

These days Theresa is an active member of the CWL where she has served as Christian Family Life convenor and both she & Robert are founding members of the Seniors Club. She has been singing in the church choir for many years. She and her friend Joan enjoy visiting the sick and shut-ins and volunteer at the Villa. She is an avid card player, enjoys her weekly bingo games, loves to sew and knit but most of all she enjoys her family. Theresa & Robert the people of River Bourgeois wish you many more years of health and happiness. *Sharon Chilvers*

Seniors Presidents Luncheon



Charlotte LeBlanc, Kathleen Bona, Anne Sampson, Ed Pentecost, Therese Digout, Valerie Boyd & Viola Touesnard.

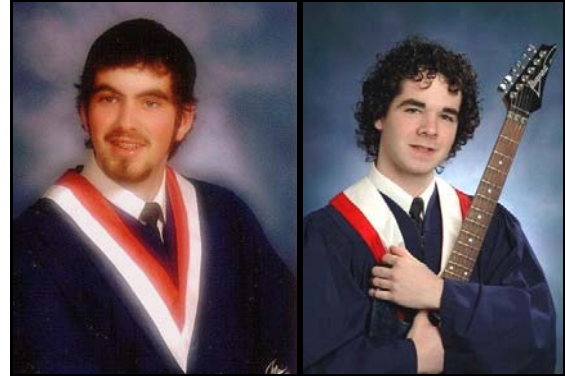
On July 3rd sixty-eight members of RB Seniors 50+ Club celebrated their fourth annual summer luncheon at MacBouch Bar & Grill in St. Peters in honour of their President, Anne Sampson's birthday.

Heading to High School

Congratulations to the River Bourgeois students graduating from East Richmond Junior High and heading to the Richmond Academy in the fall. Trent

Bennett (Faith & Ross) Thaddeus Benoit (Diane Breau), Alisha Kendall (Maxine & Vincent), Ryan Laing (Cory & Dion) and DJ Stone (Colleen & Darren). Good luck to all!

High School Graduates



Daniel Stone

Nico Touesnard

Daniel Stone (Joey & Joan) will be attending NSCC, Strait Area Campus to study welding. Daniel received an Estwood Davidson Bursary (\$500). **Nicolas Touesnard** (Glenn & Sonia) a graduate from the French immersion Program will be attending Dalhousie University to study Civil Engineering. Nico was the recipient of the Don Bourot English award (\$300), Richmond Academy Bursary (\$200), Richmond Academy Home & School Bursary (\$250), Myra Fillion Bursary (\$500), RBCSS Bursary (\$200), St. Peters Fire Dept Bursary (\$500) and Dalhousie Entrance Scholarship (\$1000).



Angela Landry

Kyle Burke

Angela Landry (Lawrence & Janet) plans to enter the workforce for a year while waiting to go to NSCC next year to take photography. Congratulations to Angela in being named MVP of the basketball team. **Kyle Burke** (Kelly & Joan) will be attending StFX for a Bachelor of Science. Kyle received the Marie Boyd (CWL) Bursary (\$250), St. Peter Lions Club Bursary (\$200), RBCSS Bursary (\$200), Helen Sampson Bursary (\$500), and Estwood Davidson Bursary (\$500). Congratulations to all!

University Grad



Janice Pottie (Sylvia & Peter Pottie) graduated from the University of Cape Breton with a Bachelor of Arts in Community Studies with a concentration on Political Science. Janice is currently employed at the Sydney Justice Center working as an acting Justice Officer Court Scheduler for the Supreme Court Family Division. Janice would like to thank Mom & Dad for their love and support over the years.

Canada Day Celebrations



Josh Grimes enjoying the bounce-a-rama with friends.



Mila Zinck shows off her tattoo

It was a great day (one of the few sunny ones) on July 1st as River Bourgeois residents celebrated Canada Day. A barbecue was enjoyed by all along with "Canada Day Cake". A Chinese Auction for the

adults and the children took place and there were plenty of children's games, face painting and crafts. Island Driftwood (Eddie Pottie, Carl Grimes, Wayne Bona and Henry Martell) supplied the music once again and we thank them for their entertainment. Special guest Father MacDow sang a few songs before having to rush off on an emergency. Winner of the camp package was Sue Pottie.

Bob Pettigrew to be honoured

The Legion d'Honneur Medal which was awarded to Bob Pettigrew by the President of the French Republic, Mr. Jacques Chirac for exemplary and outstanding behaviour during the battles of the liberation of France and Europe will be presented to Bob by Mr. Olivier Nicholas, Consul General of France, on July 29, 2007 at the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 47 Grand Anse.

Births

Gates/Castle: Congratulations to Candace & Darren on the birth of their son, Raynes Ivan Verge on July 16th in Oyen, Alberta. Raynes weighed in at 4 lbs. 1 1/2oz. and is a little brother for River & Riley. Very proud RB grandparents are Lorraine & David Gates.

Deaths

Boudreau: Walter (George), 85, passed away July 1st. Our condolences to his wife Catherine, children Claire, Robert, Colleen & Yvette and their families.

Landry: Rita Maria, 86, passed away on July 3rd. Our condolences to her children: Therese, Jeanette, Lucille and Blaise; sisters Geraldine & Monica; brothers Clarence, John, Fabie, Leo & Anthony and all the extended family.

Poirier: Margaret (Peggy), 69, passed away on July 16th in Inverness. Our sincere sympathy to her sister Ann (Eddie Landry) MacNeil and family.

Stone: David F, 77, of Port Hawkesbury passed away suddenly on July 26th. Our condolences go out to his brother Joe (Monica) and his extended family.

29th Annual River Bourgeois Festival (Tentative)

Saturday August 25th

Children's T-Ball and Track and Field (Kool-aid and Hotdogs 2-4pm)

Mass 6:30 pm at-St. John the Baptist Church

Sunday August 26th

Merchandise Bingo 2pm

Tuesday August 28th

Opening Night-Comedy 7:00 (Silver Collection)

Wednesday August 29th

Preteen Dance ages 6-12

Thursday August 30th

7 pm-(Silver Collection) Princess Pageant (7 to 10Yrs) and Queen Pageant (11-14 Yrs)

Friday August 31st

Bingo TLC 7:45

Saturday Sept.1st

Heritage Walk 6:30 Thibeauville Rd–Hawker-Riverside Dr to Southside Crossroad.

Heritage Walk Booklet \$7.50

Men's Breakfast 7-9 \$6 ea. Or \$18 for family of 4

Lob ball Tournament begins **Beer Gardens** at Bona Field all games

Flea Market/Bake sale Seniors Bldg 10-3

Children's Fun Time 12-3

Mass 6:30 pm at St. John the Baptist Church

Dance-Seventies and Eighties music 9-1 \$5.00

Sunday Sept. 2nd

Lob ball tournament continues

Pot Luck Supper 4-6pm \$7 ea \$4 under 12 or \$20 for family of four

Variety Concert 7pm \$5 ea.

Draws for tickets

Sold at all events

T-Shirts (St. John the Baptist Church) These will be available starting August 15th at CAP site.

Half and Half Tickets

Prizes on Tickets:

Hand Made Quilt donated by Madeline Cook

Swedish Weave Quilt donated by Madeline Libbus

Home Made Quilt donated by Charlotte LeBlanc

Canteen -will be opened at all evening events and during ball games.

All members of the community: Please if you can volunteer for an hour or two at any time during the festival, call Sharon at 535-2512. This is the major fundraiser for our community and we need monies for our hall, funeral home, tennis courts, ball fields etc. Your participation as a volunteer even for a few hours will contribute enormously to the success of our festival.

Bits & Bites:

- Congratulations to River Bourgeois's **Leon Carter** in winning his fourth Nova Scotia Amateur Golf Award. Leon will go on to

compete in Saskatoon in August at the Canadian Amateur Championship. Good luck from wife Tanya, children Haley & Leland and all of RB.

- Congratulations also to **Neil Burke**. Neil's boat *High Flight* placed second in the Class C ranking at the MacAskill Cup race in St.Peters.
- RBCSS welcomes **Gary Landry** who will be maintaining the grounds of the TLC & ball fields and doing some painting. Gary is working under a grant from the NS government.
- Congratulations to Arthur & Linda Bouchard on their forty wedding anniversary on July 9th.
- The next Seniors, CWL, CAP site & RBCSS meetings will be held in September.
- **Seniors Mini Bingo**, Aug. 8th @ 1:30 pm.
- **Cribbage** Seniors Bldg Mondays at 7pm.
- **45 Card** game Seniors Bldg. Sundays-7:30 pm.
- **Social at Seniors Bldg** Tuesdays 1pm to 3pm
- **"The Dance Last Night"** featuring Howie MacDonald, Dave MacIsaac, Mac Morin, Molly Rankin, John Chassion, consisting of comedy and music will be held Sunday, Aug. 5th 8 p.m. at the St. Peter's Lions Hall. Tickets \$15 each. Phone Verna at 535-2166, Jean at 587-2249, or Gerry at 227-0220, or 535-2729. Produced by the Savoy Theatre, Glace Bay.
- **CAP site hours are** 9-4 pm Mon -Fri. except for 12-5 on Wednesdays for the months of July & August. CAP phone # is 535-3251. Our FAX number is changed to 535-3638. Anyone looking for River Bourgeois souvenirs or used books, and for all your computer needs drop in. Email address is rbcap@stpeterscable.com and our website is www.stpeterscable.com/~rbcap.
- All County CAP sites are now collecting ink cartridges, cell phones, batteries for recycling. These items are Non-biodegradable so please drop them off during the above hours as part of our **Go Green** Initiative.
- Anyone wishing to book the TLC should call Mike Fougere at 535-3308. People requiring use of the Funeral Home call Marie & Conrad Fougere at 535-2621. Call Georgie or Harold Landry at 535-2939 to open the church for any special functions i.e. weddings, baptisms etc.
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