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Eleanor & John Scott



Eleanor Mary was born Oct. 12th, 1942 the third child of eleven to Mathilda (Landry) & Andrew Boudreau of River Tillard. Eleanor walked the long trek to the Lower End School each day until she was thirteen when she took the bus to the newly built school. Eleanor's dad passed away when she was sixteen leaving her mom with eight children at home to care for with the youngest Gerard being three months old. At age fifteen Eleanor left school and moved to Halifax. Two years later while attending a dance she met the love of her life John Scott.

John Richard was born on Jan. 27th, 1939 the second of seven children to Thomas & Elsie Scott of Woodstock. When John was a teenager, the family moved to Niagara Falls and at age seventeen he joined the Navy. Five years later while posted in Halifax, John attended a dance and became captivated by a lovely young lady, Eleanor Boudreau. Upon completing his five year term John wished to change the path of his career and went to Ottawa to apply for a posting with External Affairs. Eleanor soon joined him and on August 12th, 1961 they were wed in Ottawa. They had two daughters Patricia and Carol both of whom now live in Niagara Falls. They also have five grandchildren and are anxiously awaiting the birth of their first great grandchild.

John's new position would take the family all over the world in the next thirty years. Working with Embassy's and High Commission Offices (depending on what country they were in) they served three and a half years in Geneva, Switzerland followed by two years each in the following location: Moscow, USSR; Cairo, in the United Arab Republic; Warsaw, Poland; and Dar es Salaam in Tanzania. They then they spent four years in London, England before going to Jakarta, Indonesia; and Lima, Peru (both places for two years). They were in Rome, Italy for one year before going to Dhaka, Bangladesh for three years. Indonesia was their most favourite place and it was also where daughters Carol & Patricia completed their high school before they returned to Canada. Rome was the least favourite of the places they lived.

While in Bangladesh, Eleanor visited Mother Teresa's orphanage to assist with the hundreds of children. The older children would beg the workers to take them home and a couple of weeks after their arrival in Dhaka they made a decision to adopt a child. One baby stood out with her contagious smile and the next week the two-week old baby became known as Tina Scott. Eleanor visited Calcutta where Mother Teresa was known world wide as the saviour of so many children. She did not meet her personally but saw the deplorable conditions of the street children in India. In between, the "out of country postings" John worked in Ottawa and during these times the family began fostering young children. Over the years they have cared for more than one hundred children, mostly babies. Last September at age sixty-six and sixty-nine they decided it was time to end their fostering of children and gave away their baby supplies. By April they realized that they were not ready to quit and now have yet another baby.

John retired in 1994 and he, Eleanor & Tina moved to RB where they had a home built and once again began fostering children. In 1997 they missed their grandchildren, sold their home and moved to Niagara Falls. In 2002 Eleanor's mother was aging and it became important for the family to return to

RB so they had yet another home built. In 2008 they once again sold their home (they are attempting to repopulate River Tillard on their own) with the intent of moving, however, they had a change of heart and now live in the family homestead.

These days John can be seen taking his daily walks and loves his scrabble games. Eleanor loves spending time with her baby and has given up her bridge games. She was taught to play bridge by the secretaries at the Moscow Embassy and has competed in many locations around the world where they were posted. John & Eleanor it takes special people to take care for all of these children. The people of River Bourgeois wish you a happy 48th anniversary and many years of health & happiness.

Sharon Chilvers

Mary & Remi Fougere



Mary Elizabeth Richard 1888-1980 and Jeremy (Remi) 1885-1981 were wed on April 8th, 1907 and celebrated seventy-three years of marriage before Mary passed away in 1980. They are remembered for their strong faith; during the 1947 wild fires they placed religious relics around their home that was surrounded by fire and the house did not burn (they remained in their home during this time). Mary always welcomed everyone with her famous cookies and a cup of tea. She loved to pick blueberries and did so even in her later years. She would spin her own yarn which was of great interest to all the kids in the area. At age ninety-three she helped daughter Jean pick the vegetables from the garden. Remi was a fisherman and also the mail carrier from the North to the South Side. He used his rowboat or sled, sometimes walking around the River. He loved to play baseball and played until age eighty-five. He once hit the ball into Charlotte LeBlanc's pantry window landing in her freshly made deep dish blueberry pie. Needless to say it took a while to get the blueberries off the ceiling. He would give rides to the children in the wagon or sled hauled by his famous oxen "Brendie". Mary & Remi raised ten children, granddaughter Vivian and great granddaughter Jeanette. Their children are:

Catherine (Que.) 1907-2001 married Don Boudreau of Quebec and they had six children: Evelyn, Yvette, Joe, Raymond, Clarence & Jean. We were unable to get more information on her extended family.

Clara Marie (RB) 1909-1971 married Harry Burke of the Southside. They had eleven children: Yvonne in Montreal, Lillian & Ennis in Antigonish, Leonard, Dorothy & Albert in RB, Eva in St. Peters, Raymond in Sackville, Martin in Canso, Sr. Helen in Moncton and Arthur deceased in 1994; thirty-one grandchildren & thirty-two great grandchildren.

Henry (RB) 1911-1973 married Emily Anne Burke of the Southside. They had three children: Artie in RB, Isabelle in Halifax & Lester in Sampsonville; & six grandchildren.

Charlie (Black River) 1913-1986 married Mary Ann of RB and they had six children: Arthur, Veronica, Edward, Rose, Sadie Anne, Charles J; twenty-three grandchildren; forty-seven great grandchildren & twenty-nine great great grand children.

Phyllis (Annapolis Valley) 1914-2002 married Harold Myles and they had three sons: Donald in Toronto, Murray in PEI & Ernest deceased in 2003; three grandchildren & five great grandchildren.

Arthur (RB) 1915-1916.

Cecile (Montreal) born 1919 married George Thompson and they had two daughters: Gail in Montreal & Linda in Toronto. No grandchildren.

Anna (ON) born in 1920 married Bill Vail and they had four children: Audrey, Leslie, Wayne & Arlene; eight grandchildren & eight great grandchildren.

Jean (RB) born in 1926 married Raymond Pottie of RB and they had six children: Kathleen & Anthony in Halifax, Vincent & Estelle in ON, Leonard & Leslie in RB; fifteen grandchildren and twenty great grand children

Marie (Florida) born in 1935, married Donald Landry of the Church Point. No children.

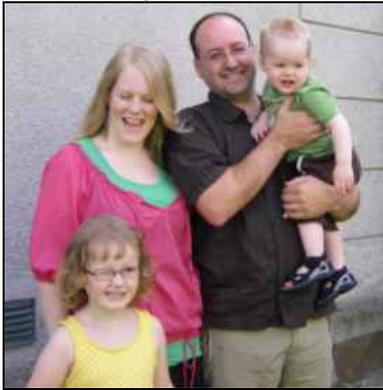
Thanks to Jean, Penny, Sr. Helen, Leonard, Eva, Anna & Cecile for the data.

Emile Touesnard

Last month we did a story on the family of Emile Touesnard based on the data that was forwarded to us. We would like to make a correction regarding how Emile arrived in Canada and additional information received. Emile was forced to join the navy at age fourteen as previously indicated however he jumped ship in the English Channel with six others around 1899. They boarded a freight boat to the USA where he made contact with Captain Edmund Poirier from Poirierville where he stayed that winter. Emile, a sail maker by trade, spent the winter making sails. In the spring Capt. Anselm Sampson of RB hired Emile to make sails for his

boats and this is where he met Mary, the Captain's daughter he would later marry. Emile captained several schooners including: *R. Beatrice*, *Argo*, *James Thomas*, *Mabel W.* and *RPJ*. He also worked on the *Lord Nelson* as a "cable splicer" between Glace Bay and England while son Alain served as a cook on the same ship. Emile also captained the RCMP rum running coastal boats the *O-28* and the *Guardian*. We omitted three of Emile's grandchildren in error: Genevieve (Roderick & Viola), Loretta (Richard & Theresa) and Jimmie (Regina & Edgar). This makes 324 descendents instead of 321. Thanks Edward for clarifications and additions.

Congratulations



Congratulations to Stephen Burke (Marlaire & Albert) who graduated on June 12th with his Doctor of Philosophy in Engineering from Lund University in Sweden. He will be continuing for two more years to receive a "decent degree". This is another degree higher than a PhD offered only in Europe and the Scandinavian countries. Pictured above with Stephen is wife Gunilla, daughter Maya & son Arvid.



Congratulation to Kelsey Sampson (Joyce & John) on being selected to attend "College Universitaire de Saint Boniface" in Winnipeg to participate in a five week French Explore program. Kelsey, who will be taking her grade twelve this September is able to use this credit in university next year towards an Education Degree.

Poker Run



1st Annual Boat Poker Run will take place on Sept. 12th. Registration at 10 a.m. at the RB Floating Docks. Food/drinks available and prizes awarded. For further info, call Peter Baccardax at 535-3182.

Farewell to our summer employees



Thanks to our RBCSS/CAP site summer students pictured above. Left-right *Kaitlen Crocetti* took care of our grounds/baseball fields; *Robyn Merrick* worked on CAP site projects; *Christine Pottie* and *Tara Benoit* worked on the many events of the RBCSS Festival.

Adieu

After nine years and a hundred and eight issues I realized that it was time for me to take a rest and leave "*The River Round Up*". Beginning this month *The River Round Up* is in the very capable hands of Sharon Chilvers & friends. Sincere thanks to all the many people that have helped us create, print, fold and distribute the newsletter. I have met and corresponded with many people since its onset and appreciated each and every suggestion. I hope that in this small paper we passed along some of the history and that we have and will continue to impart some of the great spirit and the beauty of the community of River Bourgeois and its people. The paper will still be published at the RB CAP site and if Sharon & Glyn ever plan a second honeymoon I have promised to fill in for her. *Sharon Digout P.S.* We wish to thank

Sharon for her years of dedication, her patience with all the required editing, and wonderful friendship developed over the years. We will miss you: Sharon, Sherry, Therese & Lynn.

Births

MacDonald/Skinner: Lucas Allen, 7lbs 7oz. was born July 16th to Elizabeth & Manual. A brother for Darren & Kelton. Congratulations to the parents, grandparents: Shirley MacDonald, Linda & Brian Skinner and great grand mom Marguerite Peters.

Conrad/MacPhee: Alexander Leo, 7lbs 11 oz. was born on July 31st to Tracy & Terry of Halifax. Congratulations to the parents, grandparents Norman & Lorraine McPhee.

Sampson/Gray: Alexis Theresa Rose, 8lbs 3 oz. was born on July 25th to Christine & Vaughn. Congratulations to the parents, grandparents Henry Sampson and Ellen Sampson and great grandparents Anne & Joe Sampson.

Martin/LeVesconte: Jordison Thorne, 8lbs 1 oz. was born July 11th to Vince & Andrea of River Tillard. Congratulations to the parents, grandparents Roy and Marlene LeVesconte and George and Sophie Martin, great grand moms Ada LeVesconte & Cassie Martin.

Yaday/Morrison: Xander Aiden, 9lbs 9oz. was born June 2nd to Reuben & Hayley of Petawawa, ON. A brother for Ision. Congratulations to the parents, grandparents Mary Morrison and great grandmom Margaret Bouchard.

Weddings

Fougere/Kong: Congratulations to Drew Gordon, son of Gordie & Rita Fougere and Maggie, daughter of Allan & Amy Kong of Vancouver on their wedding on August 22. Drew & Maggie reside in Edmonton.

Sampson/Loretz: Congratulations to Patricia Estella, daughter of Anne & Joe Sampson to John Patrick of Switzerland on their wedding Aug. 3rd. Patricia & JP reside in Whitehorse, Yukon.

Fougere/Chou: Congratulations to Andrea, daughter of Hubert & Marguerite Fougere, and Jay Chou, son of Chen-ye and Su-anwu Chou of Vancouver on their wedding Aug. 1st. Andrea & Jay will reside in Whitehorse, Yukon.

Deaths

Kyte: Mary Elizabeth, 63, of Port Hawkesbury passed away on Aug. 21st. Our condolences to her brothers George & Robert Kyte and their families

MacRae: Donald Duncan, 60, passed away on Aug. 11th. Our condolences to wife Vivian, children: Roy,

Robert, Sheena & Joanie, brother in-law Frederick Richard and their families

Martell: Marie (Muriel), 96, (daughter of Seraphine & Martin Pottie) passed away Aug. 18th. Our condolences to her nephew Donnie Pottie and niece Thea Rensen (RB).

Martens: Anna Marie, 64, passed away on Aug. 3rd. Our condolences to her children Debbie & Gibby, brothers: Gilbert & Kenneth and their families.

Thibeau: Rachael, 91, passed away on Aug 5th. Our condolences to her children: Patsy, Bernadette, Margie & Eddie and their families.

Bits & Bites:

- Congratulations to Donnie Pottie & the Cenotaph Committee on the very successful rededication ceremony .We will have coverage next issue.
- Happy 40th anniversary to CJ & Karen Richards, Louise & Norman LeBlanc and Genevieve & Norman Warner.
- 45 card games every Sun. Seniors Bldg @7:30 pm.
- Cribbage games Mondays @ Seniors Bldg 7:00pm.
- C@P site meeting on Sept. 9th @ 7pm.
- Seniors mini bingo on Sept 16th @1:30pm.
- Seniors Exercise Program Mon, Wed, Fri 10-11 at Seniors Bldg. Personal trainer available.
- Bingo every Friday evening @ 7:45. Rising jackpot with \$1000 to go.
- RBCSS meeting on Sept. 23rd @ 7pm
- CWL meeting on Sept. 10th @ 7pm in Vestry.
- Seniors Meeting on Sept.8th 1:30pm.
- Fall/winter hours begin on September 8th. C@P site will be open to 2-4 & 6-8 Mon. to Thurs. and 2-4 on Fri. CAP phone # is 535-3251 Our Fax is 535-3638. Email address is rbcap@stpeterscable.com and Website is www.stpeterscable.com/~rbcap . . Cenotaph T-shirts are for sale at site.
- 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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