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Marion & Walter Lynds



Charles "Walter" was born on January 20th, 1936 the eldest of two boys to Muriel & Roland Lynds of East Pubnico, Yarmouth County. When Walter was two years old his parents moved to his father's hometown of Bible Hill. He attended school in Truro until high school when he returned to Yarmouth to attend Bethany College. It was there where he met the love of his life, the beautiful Marion Saunders.

Marion Ella was born August 21st, 1938 the eldest of two girls to Willard & Carrie Saunders of Fredericton. Marion attended school in Fredericton until age fourteen when her parents thought she should attend Bethany College in Yarmouth, where her aunt was employed. Her aunt's favourite student just happened to be a tall, handsome, blond gentleman by the name of Walter Lynds.

Following graduation Marion returned to Fredericton to her parent's home and Walter followed in hot pursuit. Marion worked for a year as a telephone operator for NB Telephone while Walter worked for a pharmacy wholesaler. On August 4th, 1956 Marion & Walter were wed in Fredericton. After their marriage they moved to Toronto and in the next five years they had four children: Wally, now an RCMP officer in Kindersley, SK; Gary, who

has a custom cladding business in Calgary; Dale, a teacher in Georgetown, ON; and Wendy, a nurse in Kingston, ON. Walter & Marion also have nine grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

While in Toronto, Walter worked for Ontario Hydro for ten years, where he trained as a Power Engineer. In 1967, the family moved to Abercrombie, NS where Walter was employed with Scott Paper until 1975. In 1975 Walter took a position with Maritime Electric in Charlottetown and remained there until his retirement in 1994.

The Lynds family also became interested in boating in 1967 and began to spend their holidays sailing on the Bras D'or Lakes. It was during their many trips to the St. Peter's Marina that they became acquainted with boaters from the surrounding area. They began searching for property to build a home in the area in 2002, when they came upon the perfect home for sale in River Bourgeois. The home was owned by Eleanor & Pete Pederson and was situated on picturesque Riverview Drive.

Since moving to RB, Walter & Marion have become very much a part of the community. They love music and attend all the concerts in the area, including the bi-weekly music jam sessions at the seniors club. They are very much involved with the United Baptist Church in Port Hawkesbury. They are also members of the RB Senior's 50+ Club and Marion participates in the exercise program. They love to play cards and games with the neighbours and Walter can be seen daily having his cup of coffee in the garage with his buddies Gerry Casey and Bob Thomson. (Not sure if they want to get away from the wives or the other way around).

Walter & Marion are anxiously awaiting the arrival of his half-brother Ian Lock, wife Jill and their family to move to River Bourgeois from England. Ian & Jill purchased the homestead of the late Hilda Burke on the North Side. Walter & Marion the people of River Bourgeois are happy you chose to move here and we wish you many years of good health and happiness. *Sharon Chilvers*

Mary & William Robertson



William Henry was born on November 21st, 1880 to Peter & Rebecca (Dugas) Robertson of the Church Point. William was a blacksmith and his forge was located on the shore of Wharf Road on the Church Point. He made crosses for the graveyard, horseshoes, door & gate hinges and even made tweezers (a pair of which is still in his granddaughter Anne Louise's possession). He also ran a ferry boat from RB to Arichat and D'Escousse. In addition, he owned a patrol boat named "The Whirl" which was used to catch rum runners with their illegal spirits. William married Mary Matilda (b. June 25th, 1879), the daughter of Charles & Olive (Bourque) Boudreau, on January 9th, 1905 at St. John the Baptist Church with Father Chouinard officiating. William & Mary lived on the Church Point where many neighbours & friends gathered to play cards & music. Mary could be heard on a daily basis yelling to William who was working in the forge: "Viens diner Willie". Mary, like most housewives of that generation, took part in the making of hay, milking the cows, and making her own soap. Mi Careme was a yearly ritual in the Robertson household. Angela, Delta and neighbour Helen Boucher once dressed up as brides using Mary's white lace curtains for dresses. They were warned to return the curtains in the same condition they found them. William died in 1965, followed by Mary in 1967. William & Mary had six children and three of the girls will be 99, 97 and 95 years old in the next couple of months. Their children are:

Mary Josephine: November 22nd, 1905 - deceased in infancy.

Charles Peter: December 29th, 1906 - deceased in 1978. Married Mary Anne Bona and they had children: Gerald in Cole Harbour; Peter, Irvine, California; Georgie, St. Peter's; Susan, Halifax; Marjorie, Kippens, NL; Robert, Hong Kong; nineteen grandchildren & eight great-grandchildren.

Delta May: May 9th 1911. Married Tom Babin of Arichat in 1935. They had three children: Joan in Dartmouth, Billy in Spryfield, and Anne Louise in RB; six grandchildren & five great grandchildren.

Mary Margaret: (Quebec) July 28th, 1913. Married Gilbert Wilson of Brownsberg, Quebec. They had three children: Marlene & Earl of Quebec; Richard, deceased & two grandchildren.

Mary Angelina: May 16th, 1915. Married Charles Burke in 1935. They had eight children: Kathleen, deceased in 1986; Shirley in Perth, ON; Allan in Dartmouth; David, Richmond Villa; John, Oakville, ON; Judy, Dartmouth; Lloyd and Doreen in St. Peter's; fifteen grandchildren & fourteen great-grandchildren.

Mary Clara: July 18th, 1917 - deceased in 1967.

Thanks to Anne Louise, Jeannie Burke & Marjorie Oliver for data

RB's Olympic Fan



Photo by Anne Louise Touesnard

Debbie Martell decorated her home in honour of all the Canadian athletes who competed and won medals in the Olympics. Each Olympic medal won was hand painted in her window along with the Canadian Flag. Debbie is River Bourgeois's most notable artist, free hand painting her windows for every special occasion & holiday. Debbie along with hubby Fraser ensures that their yard is decorated befitting all occasions. Residents drive by the home on a regular basis just to see what she has painted in her windows. Debbie & Fraser moved here from St. Peter's three years ago to the home once owned by Carrie & Roy Trueman and we are all glad they did as they have brightened all of our lives.

Senior's Annual Meeting

On March 9th the RB Seniors 50+ Club held its 17th annual meeting at the TLC following a potluck lunch. The 2010 Executive is: President Anne Sampson, Treasurer Mary Ellen Pentecost, Secretary Janet Nordin, 1st Vice Carl Grimes and 2nd Vice Lucille Boudreau. Committee chairman are: Property Maintenance-Joe Sampson; Membership-Monica McPhee; Communications-Tina Coleman and Emily LeBlanc will send out get well & sympathy cards.

President's Report for 2009: We began the year with one of our biggest projects. With a grant for \$4000 from the federal government we started our exercise program and as you all know by now it has been a great success. In *April:* Joe Sampson represented our club at the volunteer dinner. *May:* we held our 5th Richmond County Expo, thanks to funding from ECBC and local businesses. It was again a wonderful success. *July:* we held the Canada Day Celebration and also had our summer luncheon with over seventy members attending. In *Mar, May & Oct.* we had a Merchandise Bingo to raise funds to pay the bills of our club. A total of \$3490 was raised. *October:* we received a \$1000 grant from Nova Scotia Power Good Neighbour Fund to replace all of our tables with light-weight ones. *December:* we held our Christmas Pot luck luncheon. During the year we continued to have 45 card games each Sunday, cribbage on Mondays and bingo each month. In Jan 2009 we started with 106 members and ended in December with 144 members. Sadly we lost one of our beloved members Robert Kyte. In closing once again I want to thank our executive for their continuous dedication and most of all I want to thank all of you because you are the club. *Anne Sampson.*

First Communion



Congratulation to Bradley McDuff on receiving his First Holy Communion on March 21st. Bradley is the son of Denise McDuff & Shane Richard, grandson of Linda & Chester McDuff and Pam & Earl Richard, and great-grandson of Mary Bona.

RBCSS Annual Meeting

On March 24th River Bourgeois Community Service Society held their Annual Meeting. The 2010 Board of Directors Executive is: *President* Eddie Pottie, *Vice President* Rose Merrick, *Past President* Sharon Chilvers, *Secretary* Tina Coleman, *Treasurer* Sherry Baccardax. Committee Chairpersons are: Bar-Mike Fougere; Bingo-Sharon Chilvers; By-laws-

Sherry Baccardax; Community Development- Wayne Reynolds; Entertainment-Eddie Pottie; Property Services co-chairpersons-Mike Fougere & Wayne Reynolds. Festival and Youth Development committee chairs will be decided at a later date. Board of Directors members at large are: Valerie Fougere, Rebecca Landry, Ann MacNeil, Theresa Sampson & Tanya Stone.

President's Report (excerpts): Numerous objectives were met this past year and I can assure all of you that it wasn't an easy task. The board of directors worked endlessly on issues including finance, bingo, property services, festival, by-laws, policies & procedures, funeral home, cenotaph, doing paper work such as applying for grants and doing everything & anything positive that would help this organization throughout the year. I would like to thank everyone who worked in a positive fashion to aid in RBCSS moving forward. Some of the accomplishments are: another successful festival; cenotaph completion and celebration; Simply Accounting System is now set-up and operational; funeral home was given a new roof; a new furnace, hot water heater, deep freeze & dehumidifier was installed at the TLC; much painting & staining was done at the TLC; three summer students were hired via government grants; bingo committee continue to work diligently to maintain a profit in spite of declining membership in halls everywhere; Tara Lynne bursaries were awarded to two graduating students; and donations were made to the Strait Richmond Health Foundation, St. Peter's Food bank, World Vision and Christmas Baskets etc. Thanks to Roger Cuzner (Federal), Michel Samson (Provincial) and Gilbert Boucher (Municipal) for their financial contribution. It is with great pride that I thank everyone within the community for their support both to the board of directors and myself.

Our 2010 targets are: the installation of a new sound system, chairs for the upstairs, repairs to the canteen & ball fields, revision of all the RBCSS policies & procedures, expanding & repairing our parking lots, and holding monthly concerts & several brunches along with maintaining our current programs & facilities.

My goal is to promote our community and to continue to make it a better place to live, not just for us but for our children and their children to come. I believe that if you apply for a position on the board of directors, you should do so with the intention of working hard for this community, striving to achieve positive objectives. I surely hope that this year will continue to be successful and that this community center will be used and appreciated by each and every community member. *Ed Pottie*

Weddings

Touesnard/Matthews: Congratulations to Joseph, son of Melvin & Denise Touesnard, and Shannon, daughter of Thomas Matthews & Sandra Portrusching on their wedding March 22nd. Joey & Shannon reside in Milford.

Fougere/Graham: Congratulations to Crystal Anne daughter of Mike & Valerie Fougere and Stephen son of Marjorie Graham of Judique on their wedding March 24th. Crystal & Stephen reside in Toronto.

Deaths

King: Father Raymond A., 80, of Evanston passed away on March 16th. Father King was Parish Priest in RB from 1995-1997. Our condolences to his cousin Gloria LeBlanc & her family.

Births

Hiltz-Boucher: Benjamin Joseph, 7 lb 10 oz, born on March 6th to Trudy & Jason of Mount Uniacke. Brother for Lacey. Congratulations to the parents, grandparents Emily & Joe Boucher and Valerie & Don Hiltz.

Munroe-Shepherd: Josie Lynn, 7lbs 12 oz, born March 6th to Jeffery & Amanda of the Southside. Sister for Lyla. Congratulations to the parents, grandparents Judy Munroe & Donnie Munroe and John Shepherd & Susan Shepherd.

MacDonald-Munroe: Avery Judith, 8lbs 7 oz, born February 16th to John Agnes & Amber of St. Peter's. Congratulations to the parents, grandparents Debbie & John MacDonald and Judith Munroe & Donnie Munroe.

Cameron-Aitkin: Kayla Helen, 8lbs 12oz, born on February 27th to Neil & Carole of Halifax. Congratulation to the parents, grandparents Cathy & Brian Aitkin and Sarah Cameron

Aitkin-MacDougall: Nyla Skye, 8 lbs, born on February 16th to James & Kimberly. A sister for Emma & Tara. Congratulations to the parents, grandparents Cathy & Brian Aitkin and Diane & Doug MacDougall.

Landry-Fougere: Sarah May, 6lbs 15oz, born on March 21st to Gordie & Nadia of Kitchener, ON. Congratulations to the parents, grandparents George A. Landry & Cathy Eagles and Anne Marie Fougere, and great grandmother Genevieve Howley.

Touesnard-Landry: Cade Michael, 9lbs 10 oz, born March 9th to Michael & Chantal. Congratulations to the parents, grandparents Albert & Janice Touesnard and Roland & Linda Landry.

Aarts-Landry: Landon Jeffery 6lbs 15oz. born March 20th to Kim & Jeff of Lantz. A brother for

Jasmine & Ethan. Congratulations to the parents, grandparents Sally Baccardax, George J. Landry, Marguerite MacDonald and great grandmother Cecelia Baccardax.

Mauder-Morrison: Katherine (Kate) Grace, 6lbs 7oz, was born on March 20th to Chris & Stephanie of Toronto. Congratulations to the parents, grandparents Mary Morrison, Barry Morrison, and Ruth & Milton Mauder of Melbourne, Australia and great grand mom Margaret Bouchard.

Bits & Bites:

Congratulations to Robert (Bob) Kelly who has joined luminaries such as Ronald Reagan and Theodore Roosevelt in being awarded with a gold medal from the American Irish Society in recognition for his significant contributions to Irish American life. Bob is the chairman and CEO of Bank of New York Mellon. He is a native of Halifax and the husband of Rose Landry formerly of the Southside.

... A brunch/concert will be held on April 11th. 10:30-1 at the TLC. Fresh fruit salad, beans & ham, scrambled eggs, hash browns, casseroles, waffles & french toast etc. Cost is \$6 for adults, \$3 for children. Concert to follow from 1-4, donations at the door. All musicians welcomed.

... **Cribbage** every Monday 7pm, Seniors Bldg.

... **45 Card** game every Sunday 7pm, Seniors Bldg.

... **Merchandise Bingo** May 2nd at TLC 2pm, Proceeds to the CWL.

... **Seniors Mini Bingo** Wed., Apr 21st @ 1:30pm.

... **Seniors Mtg.** Tuesday, April 13th 1:30pm.

... **Cap Site** meeting April 14th 7 PM

... **Knights of Columbus meeting** Apr 14th at St. Peter's Glebe at 6:30pm.

... **RBCSS Mtg.** Wed., April 22nd @ 7pm.

... **The RB CAP Site new web address is** http://ns4.seaside.ns.ca/~rbcap/roundup/roundup_archives.html

... 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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