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# The River Round Up

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## Tina & Bill Coleman



William II (Bill) was born on February 11<sup>th</sup> 1948, the eldest of three children to Patricia (Poirier), formerly of L'Ardoise, & William Coleman of Guelph, ON. The family lived in Dartmouth where William & Patricia operated a general store for eight years before moving to Toronto and leaving Bill with his aunt & uncle (Ned & Margaret Pottie) in L'Ardoise, while his parents got settled in Ontario. When Bill was ten the family was reunited in Toronto. At the ripe old age of sixteen, Bill met his sweetheart, the beautiful Tina.

Marguerite Faustina (Tina) was born on April 8<sup>th</sup> 1949, the second of four children to Marguerite Faustina McKenna of Loretto, ON. Tina attended Western Technical and Commerce School in Toronto. During her teen years, Tina enjoyed track & field and during one indoor event at Maple Leaf Gardens she was presented with an "Award of Merit," which was the highest award given at that

time for finishing first in all four events. At age fifteen she attended a dance in Toronto and met a charming young gentleman named Bill Coleman.

Bill and Tina were married on November 30<sup>th</sup> 1966 at Holy Family Church in Toronto. At the ceremony when they were exchanging vows Tina surprised all in attendance when, instead of stating *I take Bill to be my lawfully wedded husband*, she cheerfully responded "*awfully wedded husband*." I think Bill has proved her wrong after 44 years of marriage. Bill & Tina would go on to have five children: William III, Carolynn, Jacqueline, Christopher & Lindsay, all of whom live in Ontario. They also have three grandchildren: William IV, Shanna & Robert.

Tina worked at Woolworth's following the completion of her schooling and then she moved on to Revenue Canada, where she worked for twenty-two years. She worked along side of Jeannie Roth (now married to Richard Bouchard) and last summer, while celebrating Emily LeBlanc's birthday, they were surprisingly reacquainted at MacDonald's in St. Peter's, some twenty years later. In 1991, Tina left Revenue Canada to work for her sister's answering service for five years before joining the office staff at Wal-Mart for the next eleven years.

Bill attended Parkdale Collegiate and George Brown College. He entered the workforce in the sales department of Shopsy's Foods and later worked as an account executive for JM Schneiders. He later worked for Bath Plus Inc., retiring in 2004. He started his own part-time computer repair business in 1999 and still dabbles in it today. He has a passion for hockey and devoted many years to coaching minor and competitive hockey at all levels from three year old tots to grizzled old vets.

In 2006 Bill, Tina and her step-dad Leo Dutrizac purchased a home in Hawker and within three months had blended very well in the community. David Digout had just resigned doing the church bulletins because of his workload and Bill was asked to take over. He readily agreed and five years later

the family is still doing the weekly bulletin. Bill & Tina both joined the Board of Directors of RBCSS and Tina is serving her second year as Secretary as well as being a member of the Policy & Procedure Committee. They both became members of the seniors club shortly after moving to RB. Tina is a member of the Catholic Woman's League and is currently serving her fourth year as Secretary. She also belongs to a caregivers group which meets once a month at the Strait Richmond Hospital. Bill was a founding charter member of the Knights of Columbus and is currently the Grand Knight. They are both gift bearers at church and Tina is a lecture.

These days Bill spends his spare time repairing computers, while Tina works at her many mini-jobs. They both love to play cards, enjoy music, dancing & movies. Bill & Tina, in the five years since you have arrived, you both have made an impact on our community and we are so grateful that you chose to be part of our community. *Sharon Chilvers*

### Barbe & Andrew Fougere



Andrew (b. 1868, d. 1950) was the son of Dosithé & Anne (Cordeau) Fougere. Andrew went to sea with his father at an early age. Later he owned his own vessels and transported cargo up and down the Nova Scotia coast. In 1917, the Richmond County Record showed that Andrew had sold the schooner "The Atheling" to Captain Alcide Quadet of Magdalene Island. Andrew also made and repaired wagon wheels from his shop and people would come from Thibeauville, Sporting Mountain and Seaview for this service. They were given a meal before returning on their long trek home.

Andrew married Barbe Bourque (1871-1942), daughter of Simon & Marine (Dugas). He had no money to buy her a wedding ring so he made a wheelbarrow, sold it and purchased the ring. They had eight children but sadly only two lived to adulthood. Their children were:

**Simon:** 1892-1971; married Rosella Digout of St. Peter's. Widowed, he then married Edith Fougere and they had three children: Patrick, John & Ann Marie,

who all live on the Southside; three grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

**Atlanta:** 1899-1928.

**Sam:** 1901-1982. Married Evelyn Pottie and they had ten children: Rennie (d. 2006), Carl (d. 1940), Leo, Sylvia, Conrad & Gordie, all in RB; Gloria in St. Peter's; Hubert in Dartmouth; Roy in West Africa; Henry (stillborn); twenty-three grandchildren & eleven great-grandchildren.

**Anthony:** 1903-1914.

**Joseph:** 1908-1908.

**Muriel:** 1912-1925.

**Catherine:** 1914-1916.

**Susanne:** 1909-1920.

Andrew & Barbe had sixty direct descendents.

Thank you to Sylvia Pottie for the data.

### River Bourgeois Volunteers



Congratulations to Gerry Fougere on receiving an award as the Richmond County Volunteer from Mayann E. Francis, Lieutenant Governor of Nova Scotia, and the Honorable Marilyn More, Minister of Volunteerism, at a dinner held in Halifax. Gerry was representing the Strait Richmond Palliative Care.

Congratulations also to the many other River Bourgeois volunteers who were honored by the Municipality of Richmond on April 15<sup>th</sup> at a dinner held in Louisdale. The following were honored by their organization: Valerie Cunningham-East Richmond Education Centre, Linda Bouchard-Legion Br. 47 Ladies Aux, Monica Stone-Richmond County Seniors Council, Debbie Landry-River Bourgeois Community Services Society, Rebecca Landry-River Bourgeois Economic Development, Frances St. Louis-River Bourgeois Seniors, Stan Digout-River Bourgeois Technology & Training, and Josephine Morrison-St. John the Baptist Catholic Woman's League. Congratulations to all deserving recipients.

### RB Seniors' 50 Club Annual Meeting

On April 12<sup>th</sup> the RB Seniors' held their annual meeting and the following members were elected: President-Anne Sampson; Secretary-Janet Nordin; Treasurer-Delores Roberts; 1<sup>st</sup> vice-Carl Grimes; 2<sup>nd</sup>

vice-Lucille Boudreau; Membership-Monique McPhee; Property Services-Joe Sampson; & Emily LeBlanc will send out get-well cards & bereavement cards. Anne Sampson was honoured for many year of dedication to the club. Anne summarized the past year in her report:



#### *President's Report for 2010*

Yet another eventful year has gone by. We started off in 2010 with the continuation of our exercise program and now have completed two successful seasons. This year we added a T-Zone machine, which has benefited many of our seniors. In February, a Valentine's Tea was held and Vince Dewolfe & Charlotte LeBlanc were crowned King & Queen. In March we held a Robert Bouchard Concert sponsored by Antigonish Mutual Insurance. A potluck luncheon was held in April, along with our annual meeting. In June, due to family health issues, Mary Pentecost resigned as Treasurer and Delores Roberts took her place. We also held our annual President's Day Luncheon at MacBouch in St. Peter's. In August, Sharon Chilvers met with a representative from the federal government's New Horizon Program for seniors and they had concerns about the flooring and walls in the basement. A grant for \$9700 was applied for and just recently we were awarded the funds. In September, a \$500 check was received from the Municipality for the exercise program. In December, a Christmas luncheon was held at the Tara Lynne Center, due to our much expanded membership and our lack of space. Throughout the year we continue to play cards on Sunday & Monday nights and have our monthly mini-bingos. Edna Casey & her musical group continue to have kitchen parties every other Thursday from November to April. We held three merchandise bingos this year and the funds from one went towards our exercise program. So many events & fundraising goes on during the year and many of these are done by a core group. I would like to thank some of those outstanding members: Francis St. Louis, Tina Coleman, Carl Grimes, Mary Pentecost, Glyn & Sharon Chilvers, Georgie Landry, Susan Boudreau, Monique McPhee, Danny Landry, Kenneth LeBlanc,

my hubby Joe, and special thanks to the Secretary Janet Nordin & Treasurer Delores Roberts for their unending devotion. I appreciate all that everyone does for this club year after year. *Thanks Anne Sampson*

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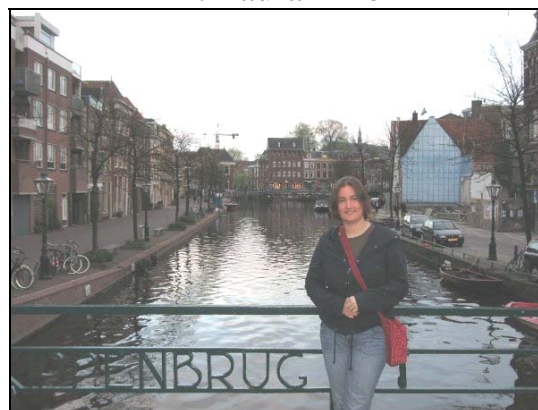
#### Tara Lynne Center's New Kitchen



Renovations are now completed in the kitchen of the Tara Lynne Community Center. Walls have a fresh coat of paint, new flooring has been installed and electrical & plumbing have updates. Stoves have all been moved to the outside wall for proper ventilation and new cupboards were built between stoves. A deep sink has been installed and taps replaced on existing sinks. We also have two new cabinets built to be used for storage and a plate warmer has been purchased along with some much need utensils. RBCSS is grateful for the grants received from ECBC and the Municipality of Richmond for these improvements. Special thanks to all of the volunteers who put many hours into this project: Mike Fougere (who never went home for three weeks), Bill Coleman, Wayne Reynolds, Rose Merrick, Susan Boudreau, Delores Roberts, Glyn & Sharon Chilvers, Tanya Burke, Ann Landry, Laurie Zinck & Sherry Baccardax (who kept everyone hopping.)

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#### Dr. Laura Filion



Dr. Laura Filion graduated from St. FX University with a BSc with Honours in Physics & Math. She received a Master's in Physics at McMaster University in Hamilton, ON, and recently her PhD Cum Laude at Utrecht University, Netherlands with her thesis "Self-assembly in Colloidal Hard-sphere Mixtures".



Presently Laura is doing Postdoctoral studies at Cambridge University, England. Laura is the daughter of Rocky & the late Mira Filion. Congratulations from Dad and brothers Stephen & Christopher and all of River Bourgeois.

## Pharmacist Pamela Richard



Pam graduated from St.F.X University in 2006 with a Bachelor of Science Degree and from the University of British Columbia in 2011 with a BSc in Pharmacy. She has accepted a position with SafeWay in Vancouver. Pam is the daughter of Germaine & Jim Richards of Mulgrave and the granddaughter of Monique & Stanley McPhee, RB and James & Bernice Richards of Hureauville. Congratulations Pamela!

## Hockey Ball Boys



Back row: Blake Morrison (Jamie & Russell), Austin Butler (Amanda), Bryden Fougere (Francine & Gary), Logan Boudreau (Judy & Bruce). Front Row: Karson Messervey (Andrea & Warren) & Austin Morrison (Jamie & Russell).

These boys regularly meet year around to play hockey ball in the enclosed rink at the Tara Lynne Community Center playground.

## Births

**Sampson:** Asher Xavier, 7lb 14 oz., was born on April 8<sup>th</sup> to Brent & Brenda of the Church Point. Congratulations to the parents, grandparents Bucky &

Ann Sampson and Bernard & Mary Burke, and great-grandmom Rita Sampson.

**Pottie:** Teegan Marie born April 22<sup>nd</sup> to Chris & Sarah. Congratulations to the parents, grandparents Leslie & Pene Pottie, Guy & Brenda Deslandes, great grandparents: Jean Pottie, Clarence & Elsie LeBlanc, and Phillipe & Annette Deslandes.

## Bits and Bites:

- ... The Annual North American Bird Migration count will take place on May 14<sup>th</sup> this year. Anyone wanting to participate, contact your county coordinator George Digout @ 535-3516 or email [george.digout@ns.sympatico.ca](mailto:george.digout@ns.sympatico.ca)
- ... **Merchandise Bingo** May 22nd, 2pm @ TLC. Proceeds go to the RB Seniors Club.
- ... **Happy 65<sup>th</sup> Birthday** to Conrad Fougere.
- ... **45 Card game** every Sun. 7 pm, Seniors Bldg.
- ... **Cribbage:** every Monday 7 pm, Seniors Bldg.
- ... **Exercise Program** at Seniors Bldg Mon., Wed., & Fri. 11am-12pm.
- ... **Friday Night Bingo** at the Tara Lynne Community Center 7:45pm.
- ... **Seniors Meeting:** Tues., May 10<sup>th</sup> 1:30.
- ... **CAP Site Meeting.** Wed., May 11<sup>th</sup> 7 pm.
- ... **Knights of Columbus** mtg. May 11<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 pm.
- ... **CWL meeting** May 12<sup>th</sup>, 7 pm in the vestry.
- ... **Seniors Mini Bingo:** Wed., May 18<sup>th</sup>, 1:30 pm.
- ... **RBCSS meeting:** Wed., May 25<sup>th</sup>, 7pm.
- ... **RB CAP Site hours:** Mon to Thurs. 1-3, 6-8 and Fri. 1-3. The RB CAP Site web address is [http://ns4.seaside.ns.ca/~rbcap/roundup/roundup\\_archives.htm](http://ns4.seaside.ns.ca/~rbcap/roundup/roundup_archives.htm). We prepared CD's of the first 10 years of the River Round Up. They have a limited index and can be purchased for \$10 at the site or we will mail them for the extra cost of postage. Used books also for sale on site. Our email address is [rbcap@stpeterscable.com](mailto:rbcap@stpeterscable.com). Phone # is 535-3251 & fax 535-3638.
- ... 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.
- ... The Round Up is available at Bucky's Garage, RB Post Office or East Coast Credit Union. Subscriptions are available for \$20.00 delivered in RB, \$30.00 within Canada and \$40.00 internationally per year.

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