

The River Round Up

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Glenda & David Sampson



Glenda Catherine was born on September 4th, 1955 the ninth of thirteen children to George & Genevieve (Sampson) Carter of Sampsonville. Glenda attended Lakeside School and St. Peter's District High from which she graduated in 1973. She promptly moved to Halifax and worked for Commercial Union Insurance for a year before returning to St. Peters High to take Business and graduated again in 1975. She then returned to Halifax and was employed by CN Rail. It was at this time that she became reacquainted with an old friend from her teenage years, the handsome David Sampson.

David Joseph was born on April 21st, 1951 in Halifax, the first of seven children born to Edward & Flo (Sampson) Sampson. Both Edward & Flo were originally from River Bourgeois. David spent many of his summers with his relatives here in RB. He attended JL Isley High then went to work for Canada Post. He joined his RB friends & cousins and worked in Ontario. Upon returning home he worked at Skil Canada and Denco, his first job in the dental industry. In July, 1975 he began dating the petite blonde from Sampsonville, Glenda Carter. A whirlwind courtship ensued. Glenda & David became engaged in

September and three months later on December 27th, 1975 they were wed in St. Michael's Catholic Church in Spryfield. David & Glenda have two *beautiful* daughters, Danielle and Michelle. Danielle graduated from Mount Saint Vincent University (BBA) and moved to London, Ontario and is employed with General Dynamics Land Systems. Michelle graduated from Acadia University with her BSc and is now in her 4th and final year at Dalhousie studying dentistry.

In 1976 Glenda was employed with the Dept. of National Defence in Halifax and in 1978 left to attend St. Mary's University to pursue an Arts Degree, majoring in Physiology. In 1980 David and Glenda began to build their home in River Bourgeois, so Glenda transferred to STFX. David studied Stationary Engineering at NSCC and at its completion, they moved back to Halifax. They continued to build their house on weekends with lots of help and advice from David's Uncle James Sampson. Glenda recalls the day that they had just installed the 4 large windows on the west side of the house. Danielle, who was 2 years old, was busy "helping" when Uncle James noticed just in the nick of time that she had a hammer in her hand and was swinging it to kill a fly on one of the windows. Upon completion of their home in 1983, where Glenda claims to have hammered most of the nails, the family was finally ready to move in. David's parents Edward & Flo were retiring at the same time so they moved into the upstairs and David, Glenda & Danielle chose to live in the downstairs portion of the

David continued to work in the dental industry and is currently employed as a Field Sales Consultant for Henry Schien. He plans, designs and provides services for dental offices from New Glasgow to Cape Breton. His work requires traveling throughout Canada, US and Europe. Glenda worked part time and seasonally for local businesses while taking care of the children. In 1997, with the help of a government sponsored program and a partnership

with the Dr. Kingston Memorial Clinic and St Peters District High School, Glenda managed a youth center called "East Richmond Youth in Focus". The program's focus was to prepare youth between the ages 18 to 21, for employment and provide a much needed drop in centre for local youth. The program was a huge success, however government funds were only provided for a two-year program and the program could not be sustained. A bitter disappointment for all involved. Glenda chose to start her own business "Bourgeois Business Associates" with friend Maura Calder, designing web pages, bookkeeping and income tax. In 2001 she began to work part time with East Coast Credit Union which soon evolved into a full time position. She now works with Credential Financial Strategies, a company that provides wealth management services for local Credit Union members. She still does a bit of bookkeeping and income tax returns in her spare time.

Glenda & David made a huge impact on the community over the years. Glenda was one of the founding members of the 4H Club in RB. David transported the children to events around the community, county and the province. Glenda was a member of the RBCSS Board of Directors and both she and David worked at many community festivals. Glenda was also President of the Home & School Association and was on the founding CAP site committee for River Bourgeois. They both serve (d) on the executive for the Wallace MacAskill Yacht Club. David & Glenda spend their leisure time sailing and travelling. They send a special hello to Aunt Louise O'Connor (Flo's sister) in Leicester, Mass who is 97 and receives & reads The River Round Up each month. The people of River Bourgeois wish you both many more years of good health & happiness.

Maggie & Edmond Landry



Edmond (1863-1947) son of Andre & Amelia (Langlois) Landry married Marguerite "Maggie" Fougere (1866-1935) daughter of Abraham & Adelaide (Cordeau) Fougere. They lived on the South Side until their youngest child was nine years old

then moved to the Church Point into the home where Wayne Bona now resides.

Edmond along with son William, and several men from RB and St. Peters worked on the "Clarence B" schooner with skipper A. J. Burke of RB, for the Stewart Fish Company.

Edmond & Maggie had seven children, twentyfive grandchildren, fifty-nine great grandchildren and many great grandchildren.

Charles: 1890-1944, married Florence Boucher in 1918 and they had two children: Lillian deceased in 2008, Raymond in Fall River, nine grandchildren.

Annie: 1891-1981, married Isaac Dugas in 1910, they had four children: Wilfred deceased in 1983, Louise deceased in 1991, Simon deceased in 1997, Carrie deceased in 2011, four grandchildren.

Agnes: 1893-1982, married Alex Boucher in 1915, they had three children: Hilda deceased in 1993, Eva in RB, Bernice deceased in 1968, nine grandchildren. William: 1894-1969, married Edith White in 1920. They had seven children: Millie deceased in 2003, Lawrence deceased in 1997, Mabel deceased in 2000, Vivian deceased in 2003, Kenneth deceased in 2009, Stella Marie deceased in 1930, Basil deceased in 2006, 16 grandchildren.

Louise: 1897-1957, married John W. Samson in 1919. They had two children: Rachel deceased in 2004, a daughter died in infancy, three grandchildren.

Simon: 1900-1923

Beatrice: 1910-1992, married Charles Landry in 1928. They had seven children: Donald in Florida, Alfred in Millville, Maurice, Emily and Marie in RB, Patsy in Petit de Grat, Ennis deceased in 1983, eighteen grandchildren.

Thanks to Marie (Landry) Fougere for the data.

CWL Annual Meeting



Julia Burke receiving her insignia pin from Pres. Elaine Burke.

The 58th Annual St. John the Baptist CWL meeting took place on Saturday, June 4th following a lovely meal catered by Debbie & Rebecca Landry.

There were 37 members plus our spiritual advisor Fr. MacDow in attendance. The following conveners presented their yearly reports: Therese Pottie-Financial, Deirdre Boyd-Organization, Mary Fougere-Christian & Family Life, Leona Campbell-

Community Life, Linda Burke-Health & Education and Ann Clow-Legislation & Resolutions. CWL pins were awarded to the following members: 10 year-Pamela Sampson, 25 years-Valerie Boyd, 40 years-Ann Clow and insignia pins to new members: Sheila Pottie, Julia Burke & Meghan Merrick. A special Maple Leaf Service pin was awarded to Leona Campbell for her outstanding service to both the Community & the Catholic Woman's League. The executive which includes; President Elaine Burke, Secretary Tina Coleman, Treasurer Therese Pottie, President Elect Marlaine Burke and conveners are now commencing their second of a two-year term.

First Holy Communion



Back row: Pamela Sampson, Father Yake, Father MacDow, Darren Bona & Arthur Doary. Front Row: Ethan Bona, Sara Lameman, Erin Cunningham, Dawson Lameman, Xavier Sampson & Lucas Cook

On St. John the Baptist Day Fr. Everett MacDow & Father John Yake celebrated Mass with the First Communion candidates who included: Ethan Bona (Darren & Courtney) and his dad Darren, Sara and Dawson Gibson-Lameman (Jennifer & Jordan), Erin Cunningham (Tim & Valerie), Xavier Sampson (Kim & Louis) and Lucas Cook (Lisa & Carman). Thanks to teacher Pamela Sampson and Religion Education Convener Linda Burke. The candidates were given gifts in memory of their special event and everyone was treated to cake following Mass.

Happy 50th Anniversary



Congratulations to Stan & Marj Digout who were married on July 1st, 1961 in Alberta. They have six children: Allan, Gregory, Michael, Gerry, Jackie &

David and now have fourteen grandchildren. Stan & Marj now call River Bourgeois their home but are celebrating their anniversary out west with their family.

High School Awards



Back row: Dylan Abbott & Colton Burke. Front Row: Brandon LaFantaise, Bethany King, Meghan Merrick, Haley Sampson, Julia Burke & Shania Boucher. Missing are: Jillian Burke, Liam Burke & Ricky Martens.

Dylan Abbott: Distinction & Sports, Shania Boucher: High Distinction & University of Waterloo Math Award, Colton Burke: High distinction, Sports & Student Council, Jillian Burke: Distinction, Julia Burke: Student Council, Liam Burke: Distinction, Donna Dewolfe: High Distinction, Bethany King: High Distinction, Mark Kendall: Student Council, Brandon LaFantasie: Student Council, Ricky Martens: Distinction, Haley Sampson Distinction and Meghan Merrick: Distinction Sports. Congratulations to all on their achievements. Submitted by Julia Burke

University Graduates



Nathan Petitpas (son of Lola & Kenny, grandson of Jane Landry and Jeanette Petitpas) graduated from Acadia University with a Music Degree. Nathan made the University's Scholars list and is working in a musical this summer. Nathan has been accepted at the Banff Center for the Arts in Banff Alberta.

Kevin-Dane MacRae (son of Lori & Kevin MacRae, grandson of Helen & Bernie Poirier and great grandson of Charlotte LeBlanc) graduated from STFX with a Bachelor of Science with honours in Earth Science. Kevin-Dane is employed in Thompson, Manitoba in geology mining.

Farwell to Father MacDow

St. John the Baptist parish along with those of St. Peters, L'ardoise, Barra Head and Chapel Island bid farewell to Father Everett MacDow after five years of being our pastor. Father MacDow has chosen to retire from parish work but will continue to serve the sacraments wherever needed in the diocese. We all thank you and wish you a much deserved rest.

Population Explosion



Photo by Alaine Touesnard

Pictured above are seven of the eleven calves, including two sets of twins, born on the farm of Edward Touesnard. They are anticipating the birth of at least four more in the near future.

Births

Burke: Ava Grace, 7lbs, born on June 1st to Tony & Stacy of Solon, Iowa. Congratulations to the parents, and grandmom Claire Burke.

Touesnard; Clark Michael, 9lbs, born on May 26th to Corey & Kaitlyn. Congratulations to the parents, grandparents Anne Louise & Clifford Touesnard and Sally & Ross MacIntosh, great grandparents Viola Touesnard, Ruby & Bud Clark and Carolyn MacIntosh and Delta Babin.

Wedding

Boudreau/Boudreau: Congratulations to Ryan Bruce, son of Bruce Boudreau and Karen Boucher, and Julie Patricia Anne, daughter of Elaine Cooke and Gary Boudreau, on their wedding May 21st. Ryan & Julie reside in Halifax.

Deaths

Haynes: Gordon 72 yrs passed away on June 27th. Our condolences to his long time friend Janet Nordin.

Bits and Bites:

... Special thanks to April Sampson who was the proof reader for the River Round Up for the past year. Your work was a "godsend" and very much appreciated. April will be attending Western

- University in September for her Masters Degree and we all wish you the very best.
- ... **River Round Up** team welcome Art & Karin Digout as proofreaders.
- ... On July 2nd from 6pm-1am there will be a celebration in honour of Mary Bona's 90th birthday at the Tara Lynne Center. Please come and celebrate with us. *Bona family*
- ... **Happy 50th** wedding anniversary to Rose & Tom Scott of Dartmouth. They have three children: Blair, Lisa, Starrla and five grandchildren.
- ... Happy "80th" Birthday to Bernadette (Sampson) Mason of Ontario from her brothers: Joe, Bernard, Albert, Gregory, Arthur, Benedict, Anselm, sisters Madeline & Mary. Happy 65th birthday to Art Bouchard and happy Big "60" to Danny Landry. Happy belated 96th birthday to Angela Burke.
- ... 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.
- ... **CAP Site Meeting.** Wed., July 13th at 7 pm.
- ... **Seniors Mini Bingo:** Wed., July 20th, 1:30 pm.
- ... **Friday Night Bingo** will be closed as of July 1st as a result of declining participation. As in other community halls, our elders can no longer attend, the younger generation have other interest and they are not attending. As a result RBCSS have chosen to close rather than take a loss. They thank you for your support over the years.
- RB CAP Site hours: Mon to Fri. 1-6 The RB CAP Site web address is 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. 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.
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