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Pene & Leslie Pottie



Penelope (Pene) Diane was born January 9th, 1958 in Toronto the 2nd of eight children to Clarence & Elsie (Robertson) LeBlanc. Pene was eleven years of age when the family moved from Toronto to Thibeauville Road to the homestead of Clarence's parents. Pene went to the River Bourgeois School where she remembered this mischievous boy in the fifth grade named Leslie who would constantly steal her pencils. In the tenth grade as she was disembarking the bus in St. Peter's she felt her butt being smacked (more like a big whack). Startled she dropped her books and turn around to see the same annoying young man from the fifth grade. They became childhood sweethearts.

Leslie David was born at home on June 12th, 1957 the youngest of six children to Raymond & Jean (Fougere) Pottie of Cannes. Leslie attended River Bourgeois School and St. Peter's School before going to the Vocational School in Port Hawkesbury to take a trade in Brick and Tile. Always a prankster, he felt that he could get the attention of his dream girl by patting her butt (she claims whacked). It was love at first sight. Upon completion of their education in 1976 Leslie & Pene moved to London, Ontario, to

seek employment where Les's brother, Vincent, resides.

On December 30th 1976 Leslie & Pene were wed in London, ON. They were eighteen and nineteen years of age. Several years later son, Christopher, was born followed three years later by daughter Courtenay. Christopher & wife Sarah live in Halifax with daughter Teegan while Courtenay & husband Darren Bona live in Port Hawkesbury with their three children: Ethan, Alexander & Abbeygail.

During their eleven years in London, Pene worked in local restaurants while Leslie worked in construction. One of their neighbors there was good friend Bruce Sampson from RB. In 1985 Leslie said to Pene "Don't be surprised if one of these days I come home and say: "Let's go back to Nova Scotia". Pene was ready for him and as soon as he said "let's go", she had everything disconnected within the hour. There was no way she was going to wait any longer to return home. They moved to Mount Uniacke, Halifax County for a year. In 1986 they returned to their roots in River Bourgeois to Leslie's parents' homestead. Leslie worked for Dept. of Highways for two years before moving on to Dept. of Natural Resources at the Provincial Park in St. Peter's. Pene is a very talented seamstress and helps out with the grandchildren. They love to go camping, sightseeing with friends and are notoriously known for playing Santa & Mrs. Claus. Pene & Leslie the people of River Bourgeois wish you many years of good health and happiness.

Father John Yake

John Charles was born September 30th, 1950 in Etobicoke, ON to Theresa (Burke) & Earl Yake. John has three sisters: Carol-Anne, Joan & Mary. Theresa was born in River Bourgeois (a sister to Xavier) and is in her ninetieth year and in good health. She is a good friend to Mary Bona and moved to Halifax to seek employment in her teen years. John's parents became acquainted when Earl accidentally dialled the

wrong number, Theresa answered, a conversation ensued, they agreed to meet and the rest is history.



Father Yake in St. Peter's Square in Rome

John graduated from Lakeshore Teacher's College in 1970 and taught elementary students at Christ the King School in Toronto for five years. At this point John felt called to pursue a religious life. He received a Bachelor of Arts from York University followed by a Master of Divinity in 1979 from the University of St. Michael's College. In 1980 John was ordained a Roman Catholic Priest.

Here is a brief history of Father Yake's accomplishments: 1979-1985--He was the Director of Vocation Office for the Priests of the Sacred Heart, followed by being a Chaplain/Teacher at Sacred Heart Catholic High School until 1992. In 1993 he received his Doctor of Ministry (Pastoral Theology). From 1993-1998 he became the "Director of Candidacy Year of Formation at the Priests of the Sacred Heart". He served as administrator at Sacred Heart Church, Uxbridge, ON. In June 2000 Father Yake returned to being a Chaplain/Teacher and co-founding staff member of St. Thomas Villanova College and at the same time served as Religion Education/Family Life Education for the York District Catholic School Board. He was a Sessional Lecturer, Faculty of Theology at the University of St. Michael's College. Since 2001 he has served as a Chaplain/Teacher at St. Thomas of Villanova in the capacity of Dean of Religion and Pastoral Assistance. From 2001 to present day Father Yake is a Sessional Lecturer at St. Augustine Seminary Institute of Theology. In 2010 he was appointed to the Formation Faculty of St. Augustine's Seminary of Toronto with the roles of acting Dean of Studies & co-coordinator of the Propaedeutic Year to commence in 2011.

Father Yake is also a published author: in 1984 he wrote "Where is God Calling You", in 1985 he wrote "Star Wars and the Message of Jesus" and 2005 he wrote "The Theory of Religious Ministry to Youth" which serves as the text for a course that he teaches at the Institute of Theology.

Father has spent most of his vacations visiting his cousins (Burke family) and claims that where else

can one go and get free accommodations, food & good company at the same time? *Sharon Chilvers*

Father Currie Celebrates 50 Years



Conrad Fougere, Marie Fougere, Deidre Boyd, Ann Landry & Joan Rogers posed with Father Currie.

Father Reginald Currie celebrated his 50th anniversary in the priesthood. Several people from RB motored to Sydney for the celebration. Father Currie served in RB from 2003 to 2007. We miss you and your notorious Nova Scotia tam, Father.

Donna Marie Dewolfe hits big time!



Donna Marie, daughter of Maria & Wayne Dewolfe of River Tillard will be joining the world renown "Celtic Colors Festival" held every October at venues across Cape Breton Island. Musicians gather in Cape Breton from Scotland, England, Ireland & many other countries during this time. As you can see Donna Marie will be in elite company. She is a sixteen year old who inherited her gift for music from her dad Wayne, and both of her grandfathers Vince Dewolfe & the late Ernie Bourque. She has been playing fiddle for six years along with several other instruments. She plays at many local concerts and square dances. Congratulations Donna Marie for a much deserved honour.

Canada Day



The children singing O Canada were: Maggie Eden, Kendra Burke, Olivia Gowanlock, Kaitlen Burke & Julia McPhee.

More than one hundred people took part in the Canada Day Celebrations held at the Tara Lynne Centre. There were plenty of games for the children while adults were entertained by Ethel & Dave Landry's singing accompanied by Wayne Bona. Four year old Kaitlen Burke also sang a couple of songs and everyone joined in the singing of O Canada.

The Canada Day Cake was cut by Anne Sampson who was also celebrating her birthday (she is not 144) and won the ½ & ½ ticket prize. The plant donated by Connie Stewart was won by Susan Boudreau. Tina Coleman, Kenneth LeBlanc & Susan Boudreau took care of the barbecuing while Rose & Meghan Merrick, Rebecca Landry, Sharon Chilvers, Theresa Sampson & Christine Pottie took care of ticket selling, canteen, children's games and the Chinese Auction.

WO Edward Bouchard Retires



Edward (Arthur & Linda) retired from the Canadian forces on July 8th following twenty-one years of service to our country. He enrolled in the Canadian Forces in April 1990 and did his basic training in Cornwallis, NS before heading to Kingston, ON to complete POET and his QL3 training as a radio technician. In July 1991 he was posted to Ldsh (RC) in Calgary where he spent 5 years with the Armored Regiment (Recce Sqn) including a six month tour in Bosnia. In 1996 at the rank of CPL he was posted to 1 Field Ambulance in Calgary. In 1997 the unit was relocated in Edmonton. In 1998 he was posted to CFB Suffield in Southern

Alberta where he spent three years learning the intricacies of Nortel telephone switches and structure wiring. He was then promoted to 742 Signal Squadron and posted to Edmonton where he was employed as the TelNet 21C. Following a ten month tour in Afghanistan in December 2006 he was promoted to the rank of SGT and posted to CFSCE as an LCIS QL3/Q15 course director. In the summer of 2009 he was promoted to the rank of Warrant Officer and posted to 742 Signal Squadron Det Calgary as the detachment Commander.

An avid hockey player, Edward has participated in Exercise Strong Contender numerous times both in Calgary & Edmonton over the past fifteen years representing various units. He has also represented "Signals of the West in Exercise Comm. Player" on multiple occasions in the C&E Branch hockey tournament hosted in Kingston.

Edward along with wife, Chantal, and their sons Dylan & Brandon will be residing in Calgary where Edward is starting a second career as a technician with Contava Inc. *Submitted by Mom & Dad*

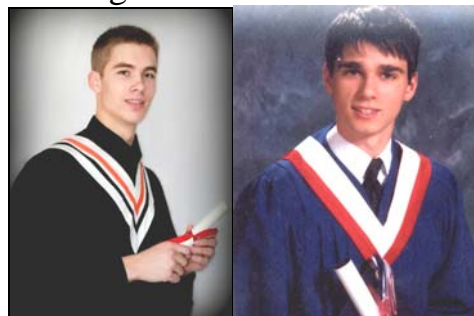
PS: Edward thanks for having served your country.

Mary Bona celebrates 90th Birthday



Mary Bona celebrated her 90th birthday with her fourteen children on July 2nd. Son Lenny was unable to come due to illness but was there via computer where he could see and talk to everyone. It was a packed hall of friends & relatives who came to celebrate with Mary and enjoy the music. Mary would like to thank everyone with special thanks to her family and Fr. Lamey.

High School Graduates



Darren (DJ) Stone (son of Darren & Colleen, grandson of Ethel & George Stone and great

grandson of Mary Bona) graduated from Sackville High. DJ won Athlete of the Year and was MVP for the Sackville High School softball team. DJ recently tried out for Nova Scotia Elite Volleyball and made the team. He will be traveling with the under 19 team to play in Gatineau, Quebec in July & in Moncton in August. He was accepted at Falmouth Career Colleges & Trade Schools to take Crane Operator in the fall.

Ryan Laing (son of Cory & Dion, grandson of Cheryl & Kenneth Cook and Donald & Agnes Laing) will be attending NSCC Akerley Campus in Dartmouth to study Aircraft Maintenance Engineer.



Alisha Colleen Kendall (daughter of Vincent & Maxine, granddaughter of Judy & Melvin Carter, Walter Kendall and great granddaughter of Obeline Burke and Charlie & Lila Carter) will be going to NSCC Port Hawkesbury Campus to study Business Administration. Alisha was the recipient of several bursaries: East Coast Credit (\$400), Marie Boyd CWL (\$250), Estwood Davidson Memorial (\$500), Helen Sampson Memorial (\$500), Myra Filion (\$500) and Foodland (\$100).

Wedding

Digout/MacNeil: Congratulations to Shauna Lynne, daughter of David & Debbie Digout, and Tommy, son of Robert & Betty MacNeil of George's River, on their wedding on July 23rd. Shauna & Tommy reside in Halifax.

Deaths

Burke: Abraham, 82, passed away on July 6th and

Bogg: Ellen, 91, of Windsor, ON passed away on July 9th. Our condolences to Abraham & Ellen's brothers: Peter, Gilbert, Patrick & sisters: Monica McPhee, Angeline Digout & Lorraine Day and their families.

Landry: Walter, 80, (son of Simon & Katie [Fougere] Landry) of Waltham, Mass passed away on June 23rd. Our condolences to his aunt, Evelyn Burke and his many Fougere/Landry relatives from RB.

Sampson: David, 62, of Louisdale passed away on June 29th. Our condolences to his wife Darlene (Touesnard), daughters Kim & Claudine & their families

Bits and Bites:

... **Happy 50th** wedding anniversary to Rita & Russell Fougere of Dartmouth. Rita & Russell have six children: Marie, Walter, Blaise, Claudine, Tina & Robin & eleven grandchildren.

... **Amy Doary** has been seconded to Canada's Olympic Broadcast Media Consortium as Manager of Communications. At the Consortium Amy will take the lead on our efforts for London 2012. Amy will work alongside the TSN team, who will take a more active role in consortium communications. As many of you know, Amy has a very strong interest in the Olympic movement and coming off a stellar effort at the MMVAs will similarly rock it out at the Consortium.

... **Happy 50th** birthday to Cynthia Pottie, 60th birthday to Robert Boudreau, 70th to Beatrix Howell. Happy Birthday also to Charlie and George Digout, Leo Fougere, Stanley McPhee, Margie Burke, Joe Boucher, Anne Sampson, and Mary Ellen Pentecost.

... **45 Card** game every Sun. 7:30pm, Seniors Bldg.

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

... **Exercise Program** at Seniors Bldg Mon., Wed., & Fri. 11am-12pm.

... **CAP Site Meeting.** Wed., August 17th at 7 pm.

... **Seniors Mini Bingo:** Wed., Aug 17th, 1:30 pm.

... **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 & Harold Landry at 535-2939 to open the church for any special functions i.e. weddings, baptisms etc.

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