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GUIDO VISINTIN

Guido Visintin, former owner of Capri Pizzeria 1973 - 2003 died suddenly at his home on Amherst Island, on Saturday, February 4, in his 70th year. Mr. Visintin was the cherished spouse of Jeanne, dear father of Angie and father-in-law of Maria. He was predeceased by his son Daniel. Affectionately known as "Nonno" to his granddaughters Ali and Katie. Will be missed by his sisters, Vilma and Maria (Sergio), both of Trieste, Italy. Also remembered by his nieces, nephews and friends in Italy and Canada. Predeceased by his parents Olivia and Guiseppe, brother Pino, and brother-in-law Sergio.

place on March 21st, at Nancy Dunn's home, commencing at 7pm. And our Monday walking group at the community centre will continue till the end of March, so do join us.

JANET'S JOTTINGS

- Janet Scott

Signs of spring

As I write this article it does not look or feel like spring but it is on the way. We have had such a mild and different winter that one felt more like Spring last week as the temperature climbed to seven above and there was no frost at night but this past weekend has seen snow coming and staying and temperatures plummeting (this is relative of course) to seven below.

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

- Mary Kay Steel

Not much to tell you, dear reader, this time. Instead of a February meeting, we had an afternoon in town at the movies followed by supper at a restaurant. It was February 15th, another of our non-wintery days which we are growing used to this year. The driving was good, the movie entertaining (most of us chose "The Iron Lady"), and the food and conversation most enjoyable. We didn't do a lick of WI business, just rested on our laurels, as the expression goes. Nonetheless, we informally discussed some of our recent projects and a few initiatives to come.

Many of our members are snowbirds, and couldn't join us in February; we presume they were occupied having even more fun in a warm clime. Next meeting, to which guests are most welcome, will take



Photo by Terry Culbert
SNOWY OWL - photographed on February 1, 2012 along the South Shore Road.

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The world of Nature is however geared for the changes in light and already we can see signs of spring in the neat little corners of our Island paradise. Ula Stief reports a Garter Snake coming out in spite of the snow on February 25th. These creatures are so happy here with an abundance of stone walls to give them shelter and lots of voles, earthworms, frogs and grasshoppers to satisfy their appetites. Since they are reptiles and therefore cold-blooded, they require the warmth of the sun on stones to give them body heat so when they first emerge in the spring they are lethargic and very slow moving. Their coats are dull until they moult and then exhibit the sharp contrast of yellow and green stripes. The Eastern Ribbon Snake and the Eastern Garter Snake are both found on Amherst Island and are very similar. The lateral stripe that is found on the side of the snake is on the second and third rows of scales on the Garter Snake and on the third and fourth rows on the Ribbon Snake. Both snakes have a dorsal and two lateral yellow stripes and attain a length of about thirty inches but the Ribbon Snake has a larger eye than the Garter Snake with a bright spot in front of the eye. The Garter Snake is found all over Ontario as far north as James Bay while the Ribbon Snake is found only as far north as Muskoka. When a snake sticks its tongue out at you, it is not being rude or threatening you, it's just trying to smell you. Try and enjoy the snake. Here on Amherst Island they are very prolific and you need to learn to accept them. That's just how it is!

The Starlings are telling us that spring is coming! Their beaks are turning yellow; they are changing their dull spotted coats for the iridescent blue black and purple of summer. If you listen in the morning they are making all kinds of warbles and trills. The Starling is related to the Myna bird and can mimic many other birds. We had one on the South Shore that mimicked a loon call and had you wondering how a loon could be calling from a tree. Our loons have also stayed all winter and young Drew McGinn reports daily as he gets on the bus that he has seen two loons and a lot of "gooses".

The robins never really left but now they are becoming more

visible as they come out of the cedars where they have been sheltering and now sit prominently on the tip top of trees singing their morning songs. I also heard a Cardinal whistling its long clear notes in the early morning as birdlife welcomes the dawn. The Red-tailed Hawks have moved on to breeding territory and one pair has already begun to incubate eggs. Joyce Reid reports a flock of several hundred Redheads, a rather showy duck with dark red head, light gray back, not as light as a Canvasback, and black breast and tail. Their heads are more rounded than the Canvasback which has a flat forehead sliding into its black beak. You will often see both in the same flock.

The Short-eared Owls are doing a lot of vocalizing as they prepare for nesting season and the Northern Harriers are doing their courtship flights across our fallow fields. Watch and listen for all these signs of spring and watch Amherst Island celebrate its Irish roots as it turns from brown to green.

PENGUINS' VISIT

-Amy Caughey

You never forget the first time you meet a Penguin. On January 29, the Kingston Family YMCA Penguins swim team amazed St Paul's Presbyterian Church with their music, their sermons and their overwhelmingly positive attitudes. They came to thank the

congregation, but we found ourselves thanking them for so much more. The Penguin's swim club, which is coached by Islander Vicki Keith with her husband John Munro supporting the team with logistics, is a team for children with physical disabilities and their able-bodied siblings. Along with their many aquatic achievements, the team's attitude of inclusion and fun is obvious when you meet them.

Liam – with the help of a computer that "talks" for him – received the church's most recent financial donation, and thanked the congregation. Four teens gave mini-sermons in which they shared challenges they have faced and provided a glimpse of what the world looks like through their eyes. The whole team – who are



Photo courtesy of Amy Caughey
The Penguins Swim Team

also accomplished singers – sang beautiful songs, including the very moving “a cappella” performance of “what you can achieve, when you believe.”

If you have the opportunity to meet this group of swimmers, be assured their talents reach far beyond the water.

Thank you Penguins, for sharing your many gifts.

REFLECTIONS ON AN ISLAND IDYLL

- Christine Oliver (and Diane, Maureen & Charlotte)

As visitors to the Island we were delighted to discover your hidden gems. Our visit to Topsy Farms Wool Shed was an amazing education, to say nothing of the wonderful treasures we carried home. Walking in the Owl Woods was magical. The silence of the woods, the snow dripping off the trees and the tiny chickadees feeding from our hands made us feel that we were someplace special - far from the craziness of Toronto. The warm hospitality of the Lodge provided a perfect home away from home.

Thank you, AI residents, for making your home such a special place to visit for the rest of us. We look forward to our next visit.



Photo courtesy of Christine Oliver
At the Lodge: l/r Maureen McFarland, Diane Saibil, Charlotte Morgan, and Christine Oliver. We are holding Cooter, Victoria's adorable dog.

COUNCIL GLEANINGS

- Ian Murray

From the 2nd Meeting of Council Jan. 23, 2012:

“Councillor Ashley noted that there are drainage issues at the ferry dock parking facility. He noted that approximately a foot of water is encroaching on the accessible parking area. He also noted that repairs to date have not been satisfactory. He suggested that the Township hire a contractor to proceed with the drainage improvements and bill back the cost to MTO as MTO owns the property.

“Mr. Adams advised that he will address the issue as soon as possible.

“Moved by Councillor Ashley and seconded by Deputy Mayor Bresee that staff hire a contractor to come up with a solution to fix the ferry parking lot and

bill the Ministry of Transportation accordingly. Motion carried.”

From the 3rd Meeting of Council Feb. 13, 2012:

“Moved by Councillor Ashley and seconded by Councillor Ibey that the Director of Finance's report, January 17, 2012 re: 2012 General Rate Budget Pressures be received and that a general rate tax levy increase of 5.0% over the 2011 tax levy, after taking into account the tax room provided by assessment growth in 2011, be approved as a guideline for finalizing the draft 2012 budget to be presented for Council's consideration. Motion carried.”

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“The Recreation Director informed the Cemeteries Committee members that the parks staff attended Glenwood Cemetery to do brush clean up before

Christmas. Ms. Lawson showed the Committee a picture of a tree that had fallen in Glenwood Cemetery during the ice storm in mid January 2012. The tree appeared not to have damaged any monuments and will be cleaned up when staff are available.”

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Council has requested the annual ferry subsidy from MTO. Loyalist Township spent \$2,223,389 on our ferry service last year. This will, hopefully, be covered by user fees and the requested MTO subsidy.

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Council received 5 letters objecting to various aspects of the industrial wind turbine project. These letters from Janet Grace, Harold & Erna Reddekopp, Peter Large, Celia & Chris Papertzian, and John Harrison can be read on the Loyalist web page.

HERITAGE DAY AT AMHERST ISLAND PUBLIC SCHOOL

– Janet Scott

Another successful Heritage Fair was held at the Amherst Island Public School on February 21. It all began at 9am with the making of the traditional ‘Stone Soup’. Every student brings a vegetable from home, ending up with a pot of soup to feed all. Valerie

Wolfreys made old fashioned tea biscuits. Danielle Wolfreys assisted the students in making apple crisp. At 10am, our village blacksmith Paul Cuyler told of the historical role the 'village smitty' played before the invention of the automobile. At one time there were three blacksmiths on Amherst Island. Paul gave each student a present of an interesting knotted bolt he had made.

At 11am, the students went to the gym to listen to Ellis Wolfreys and Friends perform. Playing banjo, guitar and piano, the students learned that in pioneer times music was a source of entertainment in most homes. At 12-noon, the students and guests enjoyed their hearty lunch.



Photo by Terry Culbert
Alec Welbanks 'Memories of the Ice' First Place.



Photo by Greg Latiak
Teacher and organizer of the Heritage Fair Janet Scott surrounded by Neilson Store Museum directors (left to right) Terry Culbert, Gord Miller and his first cousin Keith Miller.



Photo by Terry Culbert
Lucie Amson 'Schools of Amherst Island' Second Place. Standing behind Lucie is Helen Brown, Limestone Board of Education Trustee.



Photo by Terry Culbert
Shyanne Shurtliffe 'James Naismith & the Invention of Basketball' Third Place.

After the meal, it was time for three Neilson Store Museum directors to judge projects created by the senior class. Keith Miller, Gord Miller and Terry Culbert spent the next 90-minutes interviewing twelve students, an extremely hard task with so many good entries. Before the awards were given out, Helen Brown, a Trustee with the Limestone Board of Education thanked all the students for their hard work. Every student in the school received a certificate, then the three top project winners were announced:

First place – Alec Welbanks ‘Memories of the Ice’.

Second place – Lucie Amson ‘Schools of Amherst Island’.

Third place – Shyanne Shurtliffe ‘James Naismith & the Invention of Basketball’.

The Neilson Store Museum & Cultural Centre gave monetary prizes of \$40., \$25. and \$15. Some of the projects will go to the Historical Fair at Queens University in Kingston on May 3.

AIMS MEETING for FEBRUARY

- Anders Bennick

Breakfast: Prepared by AIPS
–thank you.

Present: 13 members

Chair: Brian Little, President
Speaker: Judith Mackenzie, former President of Kingston Community Foundation.

Title: Kingston Community Foundation.

Community Foundations are volunteer driven organizations that seek to improve the quality of life in the community; they work with and make grants to, other local charitable organizations. The Kingston Community Foundation, which is part of an international network including 180 foundations in Canada, was established in 1995 and it is active in the Kingston area including Loyalist Township. Currently it manages \$12.5 million for 224 funds. Some funds are donor designated with earnings going to organizations specified by the donor, while

others are donor advised and used to fund community grants. Only the interest of the capital is used for grants insuring stability of funding from year to year. Since 1995 the foundation has distributed \$6 million to a wide variety of causes including heritage, arts, community development, education, environment, health, recreation and youth.

Amherst Island has benefited with grants given to the Owls Woods, Pentland Cemetery and Waterside music series. The Foundation offers many opportunities for volunteers. Bequests can be made to the Foundation; indeed one of the largest gifts was made in 2011.

The talk was followed by several questions after which the secretary thanked Judith for an interesting and lively presentation.

Agenda:

1. Minutes of last meeting – approved.

2. Treasurers report.

The treasurer reported a balance of \$3419.37.

3. New Year’s report.

The President will organize a committee to arrange the next New Year’s party.

4. Charitable Donations. There was a discussion of funds to be distributed immediately and those that will be paid at a later date.

4. Membership drive. The president invited suggestions for attracting new members.

Proposals included targeting new Islanders and to go through the telephone book looking for people who may be interested in joining AIMS.

5. Other Business.

a. Peter Large outlined the plans for the 2012 Arts tour. This year artists from the mainland will be invited in order for Islanders to be exposed to mainland art and also for mainlanders to make the Island a target for art visits.

b. There is a need to spruce up the wagon before the start of the market season.

6. Adjournment.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:55 am.



Photo by Shirley Miller (Feb 18, 2012)
Keith Miller writes, “There are still a few coyotes left even though there was no ice in the lake to allow new arrivals?”

BROKEN SUBMARINE CABLE

– Terry Culbert

Amherst Island experienced major power outages the weekend of February 10th, 11th and 12th. The culprit ... a damaged submarine cable. The underwater cable, stretching across the 3-mile North Channel crossing, was installed about 40-years ago, around the same time as the 'bubbler-system'.

By late Saturday afternoon, the hard working Hydro One crew found the spot fifty feet up the embankment at the head of Kerr Point Road. Lineman Mathew Sargant said, "We were expecting the worst... we all thought it may be broken somewhere in the middle of the channel. What a relief to find it here on the shoreline."

A trench-digging machine was brought over to the Island and by dinner time on Sunday, a new section of submarine cable was spliced into place and reburied.



Photo by Terry Culbert

(left to right) Linemen Mathew Sargant and Eric Perry



Photo by Terry Culbert

Hydro One repair vehicles on Kerr Point Road with North Channel in background.

DON'TS FOR HUSBANDS

- Zander of DUNN INN

This Christmas a friend gave me a small book entitled "Don'ts For Husbands" printed in England and written in 1913 by Blanche Ebbutt.

This little book of 73 pages is filled with good, practical advice, most of which is still applicable today.

The advice pertains mainly to a husband's relationship with his wife. It reminds me of the book of Proverbs in the Bible which is full of obvious wisdom; nothing too startling or shocking.

For example, here are a few of the opening "don'ts" for husbands:

Don't drop cigarette ash over the drawing room

carpet.
 Don't leave your things lying about in different places.
 Don't sit down to breakfast in your shirt-sleeves in hot weather on the ground that "only your wife" is present.
 Don't slouch. It will ruin your deportment.
 Don't stoop. Your wife deserves a straight, broad-chested man.
 Don't be too grave and solemn. Tell jokes to your wife.
 Don't look at things solely from a man's point of view.
 Don't fidget. It is annoying and distracting.
 Don't delegate the meat carving to your wife. You should be ashamed not to be able to carve meat properly.

Nothing very unusual there, but every so often Blanche Ebbutt comes up with a don't for husbands which is worthy of reflection and action.

The one that struck me the most forcefully was this piece of advice:

"Don't show your worst side at home. You need to be well thought of by your wife and children even more than by strangers. You spend hours only with outsiders, but you spend your life with your family, and it depends on your conduct whether they make you happy or wretched. Let them have the benefit of your best qualities."

That bit of advice is important for us to hear today when we hear of so many domestic disputes, which sometimes lead to a husband beating or even murdering his wife and sometimes his children.

The police will tell you that the most dangerous calls for them to make are the domestic disturbances which upset neighbours and friends.

Far too many men feel that because they must keep up a good front at work, when they socialize and when they play sports, they are entitled to let themselves go at home.

The truth is that the people who most need and deserve our best are the members of our families. If a husband really loves his wife he will treat her as a queen. If a man loves his children he will treat them as gifts of God.

Of course, there must be a time and place for honesty and sometimes a dramatic display of emotion, but

always that honesty and emotion are to be within love.

Some men will argue that they can't control their feelings and emotional outbursts. We know better. We know we can choose how we will feel and how we will act and react.

Relationships that "work" are based on love, consideration, respect, and patience.

For some strange reason the idea is among us that men who love and respect women are "soft" not "masculine" and lacking in strength. Nothing could be further from the truth. Real men put their wives and children first and do all they can to show their love for them.

The Book of Proverbs doesn't mention God and the book of Don'ts for Husbands doesn't mention God so there is nothing "religious" in any of this - except insofar as it is based on love.

When husbands love their wives and their children they live at peace and they mature as wise men. And although God may not be mentioned in our relationships we know that where love is there is God for God is love. When husbands treat their wives and children with love they are sharing the love they have received from God.



Photo by Dale Gowan

2012 NHL hockey draw – Susan Filson, co-host of the Udder Morning Show, holds the container with 200 tickets for the Right Reverend Doctor Zander Dunn to draw the winner.

ISLAND RADIO NEWS

– Dayle Gowan & Terry Culbert

WE HAVE A WINNER!!!

Deanna (Dee) McNeil of Kingston is the lucky winner of two NHL hockey tickets and \$50. in cash. Ms. McNeil and Kris Abbot, folk-pop artists, were guests on the Wolf's Den, February 8th, when they each bought a \$5. ticket for the CJA fund raiser. The Right Reverend Doctor Zander Dunn pulled the winning ticket during the Udder Morning Show on February 20th. With only two hundred tickets printed, the five dollar purchase won a prize valued at \$497. On Saturday, March 24th Ms. McNeil and a friend will be sitting in the Air Canada Centre watching the Toronto Maple Leafs play the New York Rangers. Congratulations.



Photo by Terry Culbert

Island Radio, CJAI 92.1 FM on Amherst Island

ANNUAL RADIO FUND DRIVE (APRIL 23 – 27)

The Udder Morning Show will kick-off our Annual Radio Fund Drive on Monday, April 23. The fund drive will run, as always, for five days, ending on Friday, April 27. We can use volunteers that week. We need folks to answer the phone and take pledges. We require muffin and cookie makers. If you can spare a few hours on any of the five days or do a bit of baking for us, we would be grateful. Please call Dayle Gowan @ 634-3815 or Terry Culbert @ 634-8217.

UDDER MORNING SHOW & FRIDAY MORNING SHOW

Co-hosts Susan Filson & Dayle Gowan of the Udder Morning Show and the Friday Morning Show host Terry Culbert are getting an extra hour of sleep. Both shows, as of February 20th changed their start times from 6am to 7am. Both shows have continued with their 3-hour format, only now it's 7am to 10am. The Udder Morning Show is repeated from 3 to 6pm. The Friday Morning Show, 2 to 5pm. Thanks for listening. If you have any comments, please call us @ 613-384-8282.

[Ed: We had already started assembling this month's Beacon when this came in so we have



Photo by Deanne Mayall

Marcia Ivison - Congratulations to Amherst Island's newest Canadian. Photo taken at the citizenship ceremony in Kingston.

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THE NEIGHBOURHOOD

-Lyn Fleming

Get Well wishes to Elaine Wolfreys, John McGinn, Linda Welbanks, Rev. Don Bailey, Doug Martin

Condolences to Harley and Carolyn Smythe and family, following the passing of Harley's daughter Anna.

Congratulations to Judy Bierma & Anthony Gifford on the birth of her new grand daughter, Loa on February 11th. Proud mom and dad are Kate & Rich. Judy and Anthony returned from the Bahamas for a couple of weeks to meet Loa and touch base with family and friends in Toronto and on the Island.

It seems as tho' half the Island has been or is going on a cruise this winter to various locations in the Caribbean.

Earl & Donna Willard have returned from their annual get away to St. Pete's, FL

Elsie Willard and Marion Glenn spent a couple of weeks in Florida.

Eric and Janice McGinn and Peter and Pam McCormick spent a week in Jamaica.

Wayne and Karen Fleming spent 10 days on the west coast of Florida, where they were joined by Jim & Sandra Reid for a few days.

A.I.P.S. Senior Class students hosted a spaghetti dinner and raffle this month. The evening also saw the launch of their new cookbook "Cooking with Class".

All proceeds from the evening go towards their year end class trip - traveling by train to Montreal for 3 days.

A good crowd turned out to "beat the winter blues" at the Lodge for Beach Pub Night, where they enjoyed games of darts, crokinole, cards, dancing and socializing.

Winter weather has been non-existent on the Island this winter. Even the snow storm last week was gone the next day as everything once again melted. I know some enjoyed this winter, but if I am going to live in Canada I prefer a white winter with some cool temps (not frigid, mind you), not this dreary, gray and muddy winter. At this point we will look forward to a nice spring!

HERE & THERE

- Ian Murray

Sally and I, as farmers, were once again invited to St. Paul's annual Shrove Tuesday's pancake and sausage lunch. This is a pleasant outing and it is nice to be recognized along with the other Island farmers, ferry workers, road crew and emergency responders as positive contributors to our Island community.

I do think, however, that those who volunteer their time to the church groups, the school, the Women's Institute, CJAI, and AIMS are also worthy of community recognition. The Beacon welcomes photos of each volunteer group for inclusion in future issues.

The Walrus Magazine (March, 2012) had two excellent articles. One was by our John Schram, detailing life in Pretoria, South Africa, at the height of apartheid. It is moving, powerful, and clearly expresses some of the challenges he and Alena had to deal with.

The magazine's feature article is about the War of 1812 and is, by far, the briefest and most understandable writing on this – until very recently – almost forgotten conflict that I've read.

WAR OF 1812 RE-ENACTMENT

-Sally Bowen

June 29th, 30th and July 1st will see lots of activity in our area, as volunteers by the hundreds will be involved in the re-enactment of the engagements between British and American military and naval forces.

David Smith has written a website at www.villageofbath.com/RoyalGeorge/ for those of you wanting more background on the historical background of the activities.

So far, these are the plans (subject to revision). On Friday, June 29th, the smallest of the tall ships, La Revenante, will be tied up at the Amherst Island Government Dock for the public to visit. On the same

day, there will be many activities in Bath and Kingston.

On Saturday, there will be a military encampment on the bluffs at Topsy Farms, including cannon, with a

public viewing area. About noon, the Royal George, the British frigate, will race past through the Upper Gap, pursued by American ships, firing at her. The American fleet under Issac Chauncey will pursue the George past the Batteries on the bluffs at Amherst Island and Finkle's Park, exchanging fire with the shore batteries. The American ships will proceed to Bath and will re-enact the capture of the town. Among other activities, there will be a 'naval engagement' on the Bay off Centennial Park in Bath in the evening. Activities are also planned for Kingston on that day.

On Sunday, July 1st there will be significant naval and militia action in Bath and in Kingston, including the recapture of Bath.

Further details will be available closer to the event.



Photo by Terry Culbert

COMING SOON.... the Quinte Loyalist from Glenora on Prince Edward County.

THANK YOU NOTES

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their support and generosity, with loss of Guido Visintin. He will be greatly missed in the community. He truly loved his drives around the island with Teddy. Also, we thank you for your donations to the First Response Team in Guido's memory.

Jeanne Leveque

I would like to thank my many friends and relatives who sent beautiful cards, get well wishes, phone calls and the most delicious homemade food to our home on a regular basis over the last two months.

Your kindness and generosity is so typical of this wonderful Amherst Island Community, and a real pleasure to be very much a part of it.

Thanks again to one and all.

Linda Welbanks

PUB NIGHT – TWO DOWN, ONE TO GO

– Terry Culbert

The Lodge on Amherst Island held its' second of three pub nights on Saturday, February 25. It was billed as: Escape the Winter Blues Beach Party Pub Night. Organizer and Lodge manager Victoria Cuyler made sure the 1880's dwelling on McDonalds Lane lived up to that. The place looked marvellous. With Beach Boys music playing through the speakers and a lei placed around your neck by Lodge owner Molly Stroyman as you entered the front door, you were transported to the warmth of the south and a beach party. The decorations, atmosphere, food, games and the AIRA cash bar were fantastic! The third pub night will have a Country theme with live music. So, dust off and shine up your steer roping boots and come to The Lodge on March 31.



Photo by Terry Culbert

Card sharks are left to right: Don Pepper, Hazel deHaan, Judy Miller and Barb Reid.



Photo by Terry Culbert

Up Steve's Sleeves host Steve Kennedy with Loyalist Township councillor Duncan Ashley.



Photo by Terry Culbert

Nachos, Poutine, wings and much more were prepared fresh in The Lodge kitchen by Sandra Reid and Karen Fleming.



Photo by Terry Culbert

The Lodge owner Molly Stroyman and manager Victoria Cuyler enjoy some pub grub.



Photo by Terry Culbert
Lyn Fleming and Rick Bedford of the Amherst Island Recreation Association, operated the tropical themed bar.



Photo by Terry Culbert
Don and Sherry Miller enjoying the Beach Party Pub Night.



Photo by Terry Culbert
The old fashioned game of Crokinole is always a hit. Left to right: Danielle Turkington, Mark Ritchie, Danielle Wolfreys and Dayle Gowan.



Photo by Terry Culbert
Diane Pollock got a kick out of Kim Ashley's beach wear.



Photo by Terry Culbert
Keith 'Doc Luv' Miller and Karen Fleming in their Hawaiian shirts. Karen actually purchased hers in Hawaii.

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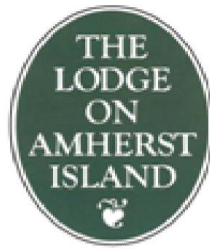
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So, here we are with 3 pages to fill... Perhaps we should clean up some outstanding items. Over the last while, some items not printed came to the surface again and so, with much delay and apologies, we begin with...

A letter and photo from Fred Moeller.

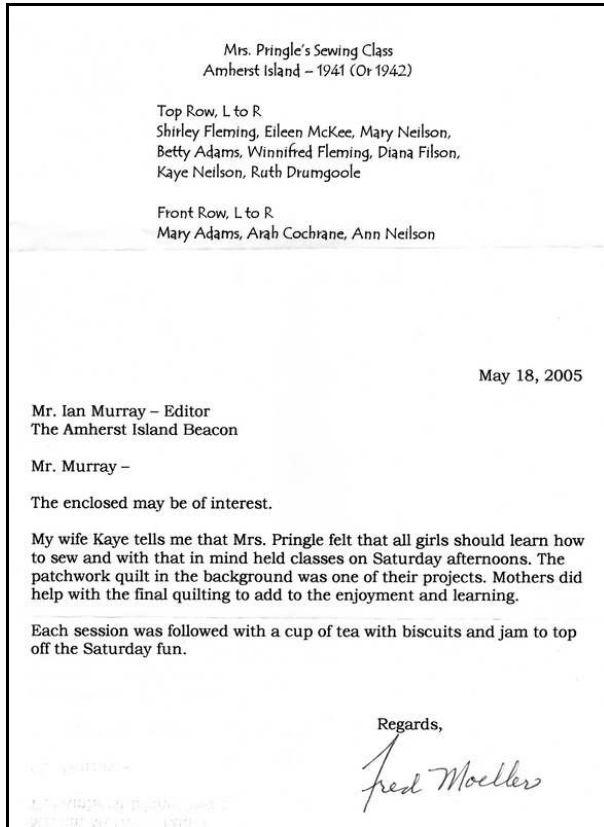


Photo courtesy of Fred Moeller
Mrs Pringle's Sewing Class of 1941 or 1942 with the finished patchwork quilt behind. Top Row (l/r) Shirley Fleming, Eileen McKee, Mary Neilson, Betty Adams, Winnifred Fleming, Diana Filson, Kaye Neilson, Ruth Drumgoole. Front Row (l/r) Mary Adams, Arah Cochrane, Ann Neilson.

A letter from Fred Moeller accompanied with a photo of Mrs Pringle's sewing class.

More recent, we have 4 pictures of the W.I. rebuilding the stone wall at Pentland Cemetery. Printed here are two of the pictures.



L/R: Bill Hedges, Judith Harrower and Judi Gould.



"Elsie Willard brought drinks and 'treaties' every Tuesday." Present are: Joyce Heines, Bill Hedges, Judith Harrower, Nancy Person, Betty Kelly and Elsie Willard

We also have 6 pictures seen on the next two pages. These probably came with the letter from Fred Moeller. There is a bit of damage to the pictures as will be seen.



The first Amherst Islander behind the storehouse at Neilson's Store.



The first Amherst Islander behind Neilson's Store.



Hugh Drumgoole, Warren Kilpatrick and Scamp (the license plate is 1962)



Ida Isabel Neilson 1867 - 1941



**Neilson Store 1933
Anna Neilson, Jim Richards and 2 yr old Jim Neilson**



2 yr old Jim Neilson "cranking" Neilson Store Truck 1933