TOWN OF REIDVILLE

Community Newsletter

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CELEBRATION DANCE

April 18-24 is honored in this province by all towns as Volunteer Appreciation Week. In honor of this occasion, the town of Reidville will be holding an open dance at the Community Hall beginning at 10 pm. There is no cover charge for this event and the DJ will be Reg Young from Corner Brook.

Before the dance begins, the town has invited all volunteers from 2003 from either council, the Fire Department, Recreation Committee or the softball program to meet in the hall to acknowledge their accomplishments. The list of Volunteers that council is recognizing for volunteering in one of the four categories include:

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Council:	Fire Dept	Softball	
Louie MacDonald	Bruce Curlew	Bruce Curlew	
Helen Reid	Don Stuckless	Calvin Bradley	
Mary Reid	Eric Reid	Kimberly Reid	
Roy Pittman	Rick Rumbolt	Terri-Lynn Curlew	
Stanley Pinksen	Kerry Anstey	Connie Reid	
Recreation:	Arthur Reid	Steve Curtis	
Patsy Pittman	Owen Pittman	Karen Bradley	
Michelle Martin	Jason Jones		
Bonnie Reid	Alvin Fudge		
Merina MacNeil	Dean Pittman		
Noelle Stuckless	Fabian Carroll		
Don Stuckless	Craig Reid		
Kimberly Reid	Gerald Ford		
Roy Pittman	Boyd Ford		
	John Curtis		

If you look closely at the names listed above, some of these individuals volunteer for more than one group - some for all groups! If you see one of these people during Volunteer Appreciation Week, why not thank them for their valued contributions.

FIRE DEPARTMENT LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS

The Reidville Volunteer Fire Department is looking for new fire department members. If you are interested in taking part in this very important backbone of our town, please contact Bruce Curlew at 635-5579 or a fireman for an application

BOWLING ALLEY

For more information or for scheduling information, please contact Junior Pinksen at 635-3669.

SWIMMING

Recreation Open Swims:	
Friday	4:00-5:00
Tuesday & Thursday	7:15-8:15

Saturday 3:00-5:00 Sunday 3:00-4:00 Family Swim: Monday & Wednesday 7:15-8:15 pm Monday & Friday 10 am-11:00 5:30-6:30 pm Saturday Sunday 4:30-5:30 Aqua Fitness Monday & Friday 9:00-10 am Tuesday & Thursday 8:30-9:30 pm For more information, please call 635-3709.

PRIZE BINGO

The Reidville Recreation Comm. Inc. along with the Reidville Volunteer Fire Department will be holding a prize bingo at the Community Hall in Reidville on Tuesday, April 20th at 8 pm. Doors open at 7 pm. <u>Note:</u> Any resident wishing to donate a prize to the bingo are asked to contact Ida Pinksen at 635-3345 or to drop the item off to the council office on or before Monday, April 19th. Thank you.

TICKETS FOR SALE

The Reidville Volunteer Fire Department are currently selling tickets on a Hand Crafted leather Hunting Belt with a green river knife, Wyoming Skinner, an axe and cases. The tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. The belt was handcrafted and donated by Gerry Dobbin of Circular Road. All residents are urged to support the Fire Department on their latest fundraising endeavour. All proceeds will be spent within the department on required emergency equipment. Thank you.

LOST & FOUND

Found: 1 game boy 1 mail key on musical note key tag.

BUY AND SELL

No items to report this month

YOUTH ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Gymnastics: Kerri-Leigh Anstey (March 26-27) took part in the Provincial Gymnastics Competition in St. John's. She placed 5th on the Atlantic Team and 4th on the Eastern Team. Kerri-Leigh will be representing this area at the Atlantic Competition in Moncton, New Brunswick April 22 and at the Eastern Gymnastics Competition in Montreal May 4th. Good luck! **Chess:** Devon Janes (March 19-21) took part in the provincial chess tournament. Although he did

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not finish in the top three, he represented his school well.

- Hockey:
- Carla Curlew: The girls high school hockey team have won the Provincial Division F Tournament held April 3rd in Stephenville. Carla Curlew was one of the members of the gold medal team. The team members raised the Provincial banner at the Hodder Memorial Recreation Complex on Monday, April 12th.
- Steven Simms: At a recent High School Hockey Tournament in Stephenville, the Deer Lake team went into overtime and Reidville's very own Steven Simms scored the winning goal bring the gold medals to Deer Lake. Congratulations!

Swimming:

- Dominique Stuckless (March 19) was the second highest fundraiser in Deer Lake at the "Swim for Hope", a provincial fundraiser held by all swim clubs across the island on the same night. The 12 hour swim was the first for the Deer Lake Dolphins with the club raising about \$3700.00. Half of all monies raised stayed in the club, the other half went to the Cancer Research Foundation of Newfoundland and Labrador.
- Cora-Lee Reid (April 1-4) took part in the Swimming NL Spring Splash in St. John's and finished 3rd, 6th, and 8th in her individual events and 2nd and 4th in the team relay events.

THANK YOU NOTE

The family of the late **Hazel Normore (December 27, 1938-March 25, 2004)** would like to sincerely thank all of those who aided in any way to ease her passing. During her long battle with cancer, she was still appreciative and thoughtful of others. Your acts of kindness and love will always be remembered. Thank you. The Normore Family.

SPCA...the voice of the animals

Hey Kids! Take part in the local SPCAs first ever coloring contest. Just either drop by the council office or the SPCA to pick up a coloring sheet, then drop them back to the council office and the town will submit them to the SPCA. You could win an SPCA T-shirt. All artwork will be used to decorate the walls of the SPCA building to create a cheery atmosphere!

Note from the SPCA shelter manger, Evelyn Hancock:

One of the hardest jobs I have to do in my capacity as Shelter Manager is to make weekly visits to the City of Corner Brook Animal Pound. If we have space at the shelter or in a foster home, I must determine whether or not an animal at the Pound is adoptable. Because we have limited space at the Shelter, we can't take every animal that needs a home, so many factors determine what animals get picked and what animals are left behind.

Puppies, kittens and younger animals are more likely to get adopted. But the biggest reason for not taking an animal to put up for adoption (especially in dogs) is aggression.

I also have to go with my gut feeling. On one occasion we saw a tiny ten week old pup hunched up and standing on the wire bottom floor in the back of a cat cage. He was snarling and growling at anyone who approached. But just by looking into the puppy's eyes, I could see fear and a desperate plea for help. We took him to our Shelter, and within 20 minutes of coming into the building, he was running and playing happily just like a normal puppy would. Squirt (now Spike) was adopted within a few days to someone on our waiting list - and his photos and ongoing success story can often be seen on the Success Story page of our web site. Yes, it hurts so much to go to the Pound and snuggle an old dog whose last few days will be spent at the City Pound, or to see a cat hunched in its litter pan, too frightened to move. People often ask me how can I go there week after week and I say I must go, because if I don't go, none of the animals will be saved.

NOTE: A resident from Reidville contacted the office with a concern for residents with cats. Her cat has contracted feline leukemia. This disease can be deadly among cats and can be transferred if the animals are fighting. For your animal's safety, it is advisable that you have your pet vaccinated against a number of diseases at your local veterinarians's office...why not call.

TAX COLLECTION

As of Monday, April 12th, the tax collection rate for the town for this tax collection year stands at 62.52% - this is down considerable from the same time last year (68.48%).The arrears (2003 and prior) are down very slightly. In dollars, the town is still owed:

\$73,376.49 for 2004*\$20,346.36 - 2003 and prior. To those residents who continue to be diligent in paying their tax account with the town, your dedication and your determination to keep your credit rating in good standing is sincerely appreciated.

To those individuals in arrears, now that spring has arrived, <u>water cut off notices will soon be</u> <u>delivered</u> and further action will be taking place on other accounts within the next couple of weeks! Please check your records to ensure your account is up to date!

EMERGENCY NUMBERS

Doctor on Call	1-800-261-0741
Fire Alarm	635-5600
RCMP	635-2173
Ambulance	635-3020
Newfoundland Power	1-800-474-5711
Council Office	635-5232