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A time to remember

In Flanders Fields

by Lt. Col. John McCrae, MD (1872-1918)

In Flanders Fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses row on row,
That mark our place: and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.
We are the Dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie
In Flanders Fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you from falling hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who
die
We shall not sleep, though
poppies grow
In Flanders Fields.



Lest We Forget

In Flanders Fields remains, to this day, one of the most memorable war poems ever written. On November 11, please take time to remember those who have made the supreme sacrifice. Honour their memory by participating in (or attending) a Remembrance Day service. Remember to show your support by making a donation to the Royal Canadian Legion Poppy Campaign.

Remembrance Day concert

Annual event presented by the Bicentennial Theatre, Middle Musquodoboit - Saturday Nov 10th at 7:30pm. Produced by John Tilly, the show will feature The River Country Choir directed by Emily Kierstead, familiar local performers such as Jim Reid, Dave Whitenect, and Dennis Bellefontaine - a bit of drama and many moments to remember and honour our veterans. Admission at the door - \$8 regular - \$6 for seniors and students. FREE admission for all Veterans.

Christmas is coming

Ready or not, plans are underway to celebrate Christmas in the Musquodoboit Valley. The Hospital Foundation is now offering businesses and non-profit organizations the chance to purchase a sign and Christmas wreath to have on display in Middle Musquodoboit. If you are interested in participating in this campaign or wish more info, please phone 384-3395. Organizers of the Christmas Festival of Trees and the Christmas Festival of Crafts look forward to stirring up some Christmas spirit on Nov. 30, Dec. 1 and 2. Join in the celebrations on Fri., Nov. 30 at 6:30 pm at a tree lighting ceremony. Then, take time to view the spectacular display of trees that have been decorated by various businesses, groups and organizations. For more information, please phone: 384-3420.

In conjunction with the Festival of Trees, the Christmas Festival of Crafts provides shoppers the convenience of shopping locally and the chance to support more than 60 Maritime crafters. If you wish to know more about the Christmas Festival of Crafts, please contact: 384-2690. Please note, the Christmas Festival of Trees is located at the Natural Resources

Education Centre and the Christmas Festival of Crafts is held at the Musquodoboit Valley Education Centre.

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50-Mile Route of Yard Sales

The Musquodoboit Valley Tourism Association would like to thank all those who gave donations for the 50-Mile Route of Yard Sales. Proceeds from donations and advertising help to cover the costs of promotion and brochures. We need the support of everyone who sold during the yard sale to make a donation of any size. This event profits groups and individuals throughout the Valley. Your support is necessary to ensure the future success of the Yard Sale.

MVTA Annual General Meeting

This is your chance to learn more about the Musquodoboit Valley Tourism Association and the events it organizes.

If you have any questions or suggestions, this is your opportunity to have input to the direction the local tourism association will take in the coming months. Please attend the Musquodoboit Valley Tourism Association Annual General Meeting scheduled for Nov 13 at 7 pm at the Musquodoboit Valley Bicentennial Theatre, Middle Musquodoboit.

To serve and protect

is not available this month

Ho! Ho! Ho!

Don't miss your chance to see Santa in Middle Musquodoboit on Dec 9. This jolly old elf will be looking for you at the Santa Claus Parade. After the parade, drop by the Middle Musquodoboit Fire Hall for some treats and good times.

Adult dance

Members of the Musquodoboit Valley Education Centre Home and School Committee have planned a dance to be held on Nov 3 at the Meagher's Grant Fire Hall, between 9pm and 1am. Music will be provided by DJ Craig Cole. Admission is \$7 each (19 yrs and over).

There will be door prizes, a 50/50 draw and snacks. Come along and have some fun!

Musical jamboree

The Lemmon Hill Community Centre is the place to be on Nov. 4. Entertainers Bobby Smith, Fred Isenor and Friends, Freedom Road: Ray Priest, Pat White and Paul Comeau step on the stage at 2pm. Admission is only \$5. For more info, please contact: 568-2549.

Auction

To round off the first weekend in November, plan to attend an Auction on Nov. 4. This event has been organized by members of the St. James United Church, Upper Musquodoboit. The public is welcomed to drop by early and view the articles that will be coming up on the auction block. But, the bidding begins at 4pm SHARP! Following the auction, a Pot Luck supper is being offered. For \$7 you can enjoy a variety of home-cooked delicacies, including desserts!

Monday night bingo

Every Monday at 7pm at the Bicentennial Theatre, Middle Musquodoboit. Come early at 6:30 and play mini-Bingo before regular Bingo begins.

Thank you!

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Upcoming events recapped

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| Nov 3 | Dean Turkey Supper – Sharon Presbyterian Church, Dean (4-6:30pm) |
| Nov 3 | Adult Dance - Meagher's Grant Fire Hall (9pm - 1am) |
| Nov 4 | Musical Jamboree - Lemmon Hill Community Centre (2pm) |
| Nov 4 | Auction - St. James United Church, Upper Musquodoboit (4pm), followed by pot luck supper |
| Nov 10 | Remembrance Day Concert – |

- Nov 11 Biccennial Theatre, Middle Musquodoboit (7:30pm)
Pork & Sauerkraut Supper - St. James Church, Meagher's Grant (4:30-6:30pm)
- Nov 13 MVTA Annual General Meeting – Biccennial Theatre, Middle Musquodoboit (7pm)
- Nov 14 George Canyon Concert – Biccennial Theatre (8:00pm)
- Nov 18 Gospel Concert - Middleton United Church (2pm)
- Nov 30–Dec 2 Christmas Festival of Trees and Crafts - Natural Resources Education Complex and Musquodoboit Valley Education Centre
- Dec 1 Pot Luck Supper - Sharon Presbyterian Church, Dean (4-6:30pm)
- Dec 1 Gays River Christmas Tea and Sale – Gays River United Church
- Dec 2 Biccennial Country Supper – Biccennial Theatre, Middle Musquodoboit
- Dec 9 Santa Claus Parade, Middle Musquodoboit

For details about any of the above, or to see further into the fall for what's going on in our Valley, go to: www.mvta.net and click on UPCOMING EVENTS.

Contact info@towncryernews.ca to submit your contribution to Upcoming Events! NOTE: The DEADLINE for the NEXT ISSUE of THE TOWN CRYER is NOVEMBER 15. Printed copies of The TownCryer are distributed through: Reid's, Haverstock's, Horton's Convenience Store, and J&J's Restaurant. You can sign up to receive the TownCryer by email at: www.towncryernews.ca. Subscriptions are FREE!!

High speed Internet comes to Middle Musquodoboit !!!

Let the bells ring out and the banners fly, it's too good to be true, but it's here! With high speed, your phone line won't be tied up when you're on the Internet. Phone Aliant for info.

Bit of a giggle

A woman's prayer: Dear Lord, I pray for Wisdom.. to understand a man, Love.. to forgive him, and Patience.. for his moods, because Lord, if I pray for strength I'll just beat him to death.

Rally in the Valley

The Musquodoboit Valley Tourism Association thanks the Rally in the Musquodoboit Valley Committee and volunteers who organized and worked at the Rally. The committee wants your suggestions to make the Rally bigger and better next year. Any comments can be sent to mtva@ns.sympatico.ca

Flue shot clinics

will be held at Haverstock's Pharmasave, Middle Musquodoboit, on the following dates and times:

Thurs Nov 8 9am - 12 noon AND 1pm - 4pm
Tues Nov 20 9am - 12 noon AND 1pm - 4pm
Wed Nov 28 1pm - 4pm AND 5pm - 8pm

Please note: No appointments are required. However, please bring along your MSI Health Care Card. Protect yourself and others - take the time to attend one of these clinics.

Community histories

Following is an excerpt from the community history of Lindsay Lake, which was compiled in 1983 by Agnes Redden.

Lindsay Lake - About 1880, a prospector named Sidney Lindsay came to Lindsay Lake and founded a gold mine down on the east side of Lindsay Lake. A mill was built to crush the ore. This mine didn't work long and the last gold was crushed in 1882. The remains of the old mine can still be found in the woods near the foot of Lindsay Lake. About 1884, William Redden, son of John Drilleo Redden, bought a farm from John MacKenzie at the foot of the MacKenzie Hill. He traded the MacKenzie place with his father John Redden, and settled on the farm by the lake. William Redden married Bertha Kent

and cleared and cultivated the land. They raised thirteen children; one of the sons, John Redden, still lives on the farm and carries on the tradition. Henry Redden took over his father's (John D. Redden) place. Part of this farm is owned by his son, Nathan Redden. The remainder of the farm, west of the Moose River Road, is owned by a man from Dartmouth and is now part of the Oswald Wrin place.

Employment Development workshops

The following programs are being offered throughout the month of November at the Employment Development and Job Search Centre. The Centre is located at 10 Elm Drive, Middle Musquodoboit.

- Nov 8 Putting the Pieces Together (9:30am – 12:30pm)
- Nov 13 Motivation & Attitude (1pm – 4pm)
- Nov 27 Resume Writing (1pm – 4pm)
- Nov 28 Interview Skills (1pm - 4pm)
- Nov 21, 22, 23 Basic Job Search on the Internet (1 pm – 4pm each day)

Staff at the Centre are accepting names for an upcoming WHMIS course. Call 384-2390 to register or for more info.

A sheep or two and a kangaroo

By: Russell Benn, Waterfall, Australia

Every three years, or so, we have a federal election in Australia. By coincidence, about the same time we are told how bad off we are. Now, where I come from we have droughts, bushfires and wild weather. Apparently we are all miserable, going broke. All our children are becoming drug addicts, drunks and delinquents. We are obsessed with hard work and football or both not to mention tennis and cricket and we have no family life. Where will it all end? Who do we blame? Well, the problem has been solved. We have been told by many in the Government Opposition that it's the Prime Minister's fault. YUP, the Prime Minister. And you know what? He's the one at fault behind the terrorists, global warming, shrinking seafood stocks, whale hunters, car crashes, low birth rates, pollution, unequal trading balances and the shrinking of the polar caps. And that is just some of his faults, well, according to the

Opposition anyway. But fear not faithful inhabitants of earth. The Opposition has it all solved. Ah, I can hear your heartbeat slowing and your blood pressure approaching normal. Oh, Canada [and indeed the world] how lucky you are to have such a great Australian Government Opposition. Nothing is impossible, nothing unachievable, because all problems will be solved, all troubles will be banished the moment they become the government. Don't you just hate all the crap that goes on during an election? Why do politicians continually think that the voter is a moron? One of these days I'm going to vote informal. That'll show them.

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