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that way as I walked into the meeting room at the Shady Rest in Qualicum Beach on Vancouver Island on a Saturday afternoon in late October. Now, for some years Bernice (Reithaug) Murcheson and I have met with Gwen (Johnstone) Wilson at the " Rest" when she comes out from Shellbrook to visit her daughter on the Island. We always have a wonderful time catching up, but this year was even better. We were joined by Linda (Haigh) Walsh who came over from Surrey and Robert Simonar who caught the ferry from Powell River. The three ladies were already looking at their menus when Robert and I arrived, but that was forgotten as we greeted each other, laughed and hugged and felt enveloped in a feeling of good times and good friends. Lucky for us we had an understanding waitress, as eating was put to one side as the noise level went up with a cacophony of voices catching up, remembering and just enjoying each others company Bernice brought us back to earth by ordering her usual quesedilla, but then out came the pictures. Of course many were of our children, and a handsome group of young adults they are, too. Then came the grandchildren photos, such a collection of cuties and all so advanced. But then, aren't all grandkids? We had also brought along pictures of days of long ago and soon one could hear comments like, " just who is that standing behind Eddie Hart?", " Oh, yes, I remember..... I wonder what ever became of her?", " What a character! Do you remember the time he.....", " That's Zeb standing beside Bruce. It must be in front of the old

skating rink.", "Why did they call him Plastic Man?", "She was so cute. We were all in love with her!" And, " Look, here's the Hall.I remember when and would stand on that corner and smooch themselves silly....", and so on. But, time and tide wait for no one, especially when you live on an island .You are at their mercy and that of the ferry schedule. Pictures were taken and then, very reluctantly, we gathered ourselves together and parted.It had been a golden afternoon, more treasured for that chest of memories we shared.

Vic Primeau

Comments: Finny I just now had an opportunity to read your story of the Mini Reunion, Your Verbiage was so Excellent that I felt I was THERE, and then I felt Jealous because I was not present. I MISS YOU ALL and Think of you often Best Wishes for a Happy and Prosperous New Year

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NEWS BRIEF

The Little Wonders Preschool is currently working on a ten year anniversary cookbook. We would like to remind those that have been involved with preschool to submit their recipes. To anyone we may have missed, or to extended family members, recipe forms are available at the grocery store. The book will be for sale in the fall.

COMING EVENTS

SHELL LAKE CURLING CLUB

The 6th Annual Golfspiel - Best Ball will be held Saturday June 7/08. Entry fee \$40.00 per golfer. Enter as a team or as an individual. Limit of 100 golfers. Entries taken by Dennis Simonar (427-2080) or Joy Anne Ardagh (427-2044(4749).

PARTNERS IN WORSHIP

The Annual Garage Sale is fast approaching - July 5. If you would like to donate items call Donna at 427-4410 or Sandra at 427-2275.

The Northern Lights

Bluegrass and Old Time Music Society on their way to Ness Creek, Blue Grass Festival, are stopping at Shell Lake. They will participate in the July 27th church service at Partners in Worship with some good old time gospel favourites, and will be having a jam session at the Gazebo from 2 - 4:00 p.m. Anyone who would like to participate as a performer, singer or audience are welcome-free of charge!

The clay oven will be fired up.

SHELL LAKE TOURISM

At present we are setting up a new board and we are still looking for more members! If you are at all interested please contact the village office or Carol Francoeur.

The Annual Homesteader Hey Days will be held on July 18, 19 & 20. The brochures are now being worked on and if your businesses or organization plan to do something for Hey Days and did not get a letter please pick up

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a form at the Shell Lake Craft Store before June 16.

ROCK GARDEN

Many Hands Make Light work...let's put this old adage to the test. Planting of the rock garden will take place on Tuesday, June 10 beginning at 9:30 a.m.

PLASTIC BAT & BALL TOURNAMENT

There will be a plastic bat and ball tournament on Saturday, July 19 at the tennis courts. Eight players per team - 3 must be female. For more information or to register your team call Dillan Simonar at 427-2214 or Joyanne Dufour @ 651-3364.

VILLAGE OF SHELL LAKE MAYOR UPDATE

A fond farewell and our sincere thanks go to Shirley Dauvin, who has dedicated the past 4 years as our Village Administrator. On the same note, we welcome Tara Bueckert who will be taking over as the Administrator. The Village office hours remain the same, Tuesday and Wednesday weekly unless posted otherwise. Please, drop in and welcome Tara to the community.

Council's effort in balancing the 2008 budget is near completion. The task of meeting operating expenses with incoming revenue

has proven to be an enormous challenge with additional attempts for allotting dollars for capital expenditures and growth.

The 2008 taxes will be levied in June with notices mailed in July. Property owners who have tax arrears must bring their taxes current or tax enforcement may proceed.

Where are your tax dollars going towards? Examples are: Police services \$5,000; Regional Fire Maintenance fees \$3250; Library Levy \$1300; Water testing \$1300; Effluent Testing fees \$2,000; Audit fees \$2500; Insurance costs \$5500; Street dust control \$5200.

The first lagoon payment for \$31,764.42 was made in 2008 and the same amount needs to be made for the next nine years. The lotteries that have been held supported the expenses and payments thus far; however, citizens should not be surprised if a sewer levy is introduced in 2009 to meet future payments.

Mayor Paula Stalwick

COMMUNITY/CLUB ANNOUNCEMENTS

SHELL LAKE & DISTRICT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The next meeting of the Chamber will be on June 16/08 at 7:30

in the Partners in Worship Church Hall. Anyone interested is welcome to attend.

SHELL LAKE 50 PLUS

A special thank you to Phyllis Johnson, Anita Weiers, Aida West, Loretta Lamontagne & Gladys Simonar for their effort in the clean up job of the Seniors Centre,

Cathy (Simonar) Coles & Laurie Moss recently gave an interesting presentation on their 2007 trip to England, Ireland & Scotland. Thank you ladies.

The fridge has been donated to the Legion with Don Weiers, Legion president gratefully acknowledging the gift.

On June 11th the Shell Lake Seniors will be providing lunch at the Idwyld Nursing Home Spiritwood at their monthly birthday party.

June 9th, the date of the next Wellness Clinic.

Welcome back to our summer cabin residents who enjoy a card game with the seniors.

CHURCHES

PARTNERS IN WORSHIP

Sunday worship and Sunday School at 10 a.m.

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

Mass at our Ladys of Smiles on Saturday evenings at 9 p.m. for the summer months.

EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH, MONT NEBO

Starting June 15, there will be no Sunday School until September. Church services will be starting at 10:30 a.m.

FOR THE RECORD...

Klara (Melanie) Loseth and **Alden Epp** were married on March 22, 2008.

Addison Ann born on May 21, 2008 to Gary and Terri Lynn Kulak weighing 7 lbs. 6 oz. Granddaughter for Marcel and Eunice Proulx and John Kulak, great granddaughter for Hazel Creary and Catherine Proulx.

THANK YOU

I would like to thank everyone for the food, cards and best wishes I have received. Your kindness and generosity has meant a lot to me.

Mabel Hotvedt

INTERNET GUESTBOOK

Name: Lorne Finlayson

Comments: MINI - REUNION #1
Have we not all felt that little tremour of trepidation when we meet with a group whom we have not seen for awhile? I felt



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