



UPRIVER NEWSLETTER

UPRIVER FOCUS

"Buy Local First"

The Upriver Community Group met on November 1st to discuss the Upriver Survey results and unanimously agreed to focus on the **"Buy Local First"** survey choice. The group will host a **public discussion** on **December 7, 2010 at 7:30pm** at the Bass River Hall on how the Upriver community can build on this idea and develop its own **"Buy Local First"** strategy.

Wendy Keats, chief executive of the Co-op Enterprise Council will be the guest speaker at the meeting on December 7th and will talk about different kinds of

co-ops, how to set them up, their benefits, etc. We hope you will all attend to share your thoughts and ideas and help with this community endeavour. Please see the back page of this newsletter for more information pertaining to the meeting.

If we could, what are some ways to help or show that we care for the people who live in our Upriver community?

There are people who live in our area that are single or alone at Christmas. It was suggested at our November 1st meeting that people who have family celebrations, open their home for Christmas day and invite someone who is less fortunate to share their Christmas meal. If you are interested in this let us know; we can make a difference.

It was also suggested Upriver start a **"Share your ride"** campaign. Not only does it help the environment by conserving gas, it assists others in getting to events and appointments as well, especially in the winter months when more people feel isolated due to weather conditions.

And speaking of winter driving, the New Brunswick Senior Citizens Federation is hosting a **Winter Refresher Driving Course** at the Harcourt Legion on December 14, 2010 from 9:30am to 12:30pm. The course is free and confidential and open to all seniors

50+ whether you are a member of the Federation or not. The course will be indoors and focus on written instruction. **You must pre-register for this course by contacting Sheila Handrahan at 785-2264.**

I'd like to take this opportunity thank everybody who has contributed to make the Upriver news the informative community resource that it is; without you this newsletter would not be possible. It's been a pleasure! I wish you the happiest of holidays and a prosperous New Year.

Enjoy the season!

Tina Beers 785-4348

tina.beers@upriver-news.ca

Upriver Celebrates

Sunday School Christmas Concert Upriver Celebrates

Grangeville Baptist Church
115 Grangeville Rd. Harcourt, NB
Friday, December 10th, 7:00pm
Everyone welcome!

Christmas dance with Heartland

Bass River Fair Hall
Saturday, December 18, 9:00pm - 1:00pm
A light lunch will be served.
Semi Formal-No Jeans. \$12.50 per person
Tickets go on sale October 23rd
Contact Elma at 785-4498

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

Grangeville Baptist Church
115 Grangeville Rd. Harcourt, NB
Dec. 24th - 6:00 pm
Everyone welcome!

Beersville Firehall Annual Halloween Party



Submitted by Katherine Halas-Moulton

UPRIVER HISTORY

The following article appeared in the Daily Sun, a Saint John newspaper on November 29, 1893:

"Everett J. Thompson, formerly of Bass River, N.B. is said to be the fastest manipulator of the typewriter in the United States, if not the world. He learned telegraphy at Weldford Station on the Intercolonial Railway, and is now taking Associated Press despatches for the Norwich, Connecticut 'Bulletin'. - Boston 'Traveller'.

If you know anything about Everett Thompson please contact Edna Thompson at 785-1888 or

ednathompson@xplornet.ca

I have been unable to trace him.

Find Old Mats at Christmas Time



The **New Brunswick Mat Registry** would like you to

talk to your family members to find out who has any old mats which are over 25 years old, either made in NB or by a New Brunswicker.

The goal of the Mat Registry is to document these old mats, regardless of the condition they are in. Experts will look at them and document the material used, style

hooked etc. They will be professionally photographed. Any information about the person who hooked the mat will be recorded. Then all of this information will be available to the public through a website. There is no cost to you for bringing your mats to be registered. They will be assigned a specific number before you take them back home that day. Please call

Marsha MacDonald 523-0896 if you have any old hooked mats or know of someone else with them. Once we have enough people, a mat registry day can be organized in this area so that we can document the wonderful work that was done by our mothers and grandmothers, and sometimes grandfathers.

UPRIVER SERVICES

Richibucto Public Library

The Richibucto Public Library would like to invite the community to come and use its services. The library is now holding children's story time and crafts Saturday mornings at 10:30 - 11:15 and a children's science activity Thursday nights from 6:15-7:00. Come drop in to use our computers or to pick out a great book!

Submitted by Laura Myers, MLIS

Acting Library Manager, Richibucto Public Library,
9376 Main St., Richibucto, NB. 506-523-7851

Southeast Bookmobile

It was an extremely rainy day but the Southeast Bookmobile still managed to arrive on time for its first visit at Thompson's store, in Bass River, on Friday, November 5th. See you next time!



Bookmobile Southeast Schedule for Friday, December 3, 2010

Acadieville - 10:00 - 10:30

Acadieville Church - 4049 Route 480

Saint Ignace - 11:00 - 11:45

St. Ignace Church-1923 Chemin St. Ignace

West Branch - 1:00 - 1:30

Zion Church - 709 Zion Church Rd

Bass River - 2:00 - 2:30

Thompsons General Store - 7829 Route 116

Harcourt - 2:45 - 3:15

Post Office - 7997 Route 116

For information call 506-453-5380 or

bookmobile.southeast@gnb.ca **Please note:** All

times are approximate and may vary by 10-15 minutes due to road or weather conditions and response at previous stop.

UPRIVER SOCIAL EVENTS

Spaghetti Supper

Sunday, December 5th, 2010 from 4-6pm The Clairville Beersville Recreation Council is hosting a Spaghetti Supper at the Community Hall in Beersville. Spaghetti, roll, tea/coffee, dessert. Goodwill offering at the door. All proceeds go to support the Clairville Rink.

Annual "Special" Christmas Breakfast The Greenwood Lodge

Saturday, December 11, 8am – 11am

This year the ladies are making something special so be sure to drop in to check it out.

Donation at the door.

Men's Breakfast

Grangeville Baptist Church

115 Grangeville Rd. Harcourt, NB

Second Saturday of the month

October – June, 8:30 am. Men gather together for breakfast, music and a time of sharing.

All men welcome, bring a friend.

Grangeville Cafe

Grangeville Baptist Church

Third Friday of every month all year round.

7:00 pm - 10:00 pm. An informal relaxed evening of fun and fellowship and music. Everyone welcome.

Bass River Country Fair Hall hours

Tuesday; 7:00pm-11:00pm

Friday; 6:00pm-2:00am

Saturday; 2:00pm-2:00am

Sunday; 11:30am-1:30am

UPRIVER SUPPORTS

Harcourt Home and School Jamboree

Thank-you!

The Jamboree that took place October 24, 2010 at the Harcourt Legion for the Harcourt Home and School Hot Lunch and Breakfast Program was a huge success; it brought in close to \$1000.00. We would like to give a big **Thank-you!** to Margie Wylie for all her hard work organizing the day, the musicians that volunteered their time and came out to support our local school, Mr. Richard, master of ceremonies, and to all the parents and teachers who prepared the lovely lunch that was offered. Thanks also to everyone who donated door prizes, prepared flyers and helped clean up.

Sincerely,

Juanita Thompson

President of the Harcourt H&S Association

"Sincere Thanks" to all who helped make "The Harcourt School Jamboree" such a success on October 24, 2010. With all your help and generosity we were able to raise over \$1000.00 for the Harcourt School "hot lunch program". To all the wonderful musicians who came and gave of their time and talents; to everyone who came and helped in any way, thank you and God bless!

Sincerely,

Margaret Wylie

The **Eleanor W. Graham Middle School** is looking for donations or someone willing to lend "multi-cultural" decor for their Culture Center. Examples would be flags, decorations, pictures, maps, items to be displayed in shadow boxes that depict a certain culture. If you have something you think would complement the room or perhaps an idea you would like to share, or would like more information on this project, please contact Cheryl Warman at 523-7970.

Elsipogtog Arena Fundraising Campaign

Buy a Brick!



Design for the Front of the Chief Young Eagle Rec. Centre

We are launching a fund raising campaign aimed at individuals and businesses in surrounding communities to help with renovations to our community recreation centre. Funds raised will go toward the cost of the brick work needed for the design, and toward a down payment on a new Zamboni.

Cost: \$50 per brick; \$200 for 5 bricks

-Purchase by individuals, family, groups, or organizations

-A plaque will be hung in the main entrance of the arena and will have all names/donations

For more information contact: **DJ Joseph 523-8222**

Hurry! Campaign ends Dec. 22!

UPRIVER CONCERNS

Street Lights

I'm interested in getting street lights installed in our Upriver area. If you are also interested in this idea, please give me a call. Gisele Richard 785-9812

UPRIVER CLEANING SERVICE

Providing services for house cleaning

I'm offering my services to help clean your house or maybe prepare your meals. I would be able to travel between the areas of Harcourt and Richibucto. We can discuss your needs together. If interested, call me at 506-785-4569 Ask for Mariette.

PUBLIC MEETING!!!

In a recent survey sent out in the Upriver news, almost 90% of respondents showed a desire to see a "buy local first" movement.

In an effort to "make something happen" ALL are invited to a public meeting held at

**THE BASS RIVER HALL
DECEMBER, 7TH AT 7:30**

The meeting objective will be to present and begin the process on a project to bring local products, businesses, and services together with a "buy local" campaign. These are some catch phrase suggestions so far:

"Try Local First"
Upriver community thanks you!

"REALLY RURAL"

"Buy Local First-It's Best"

"REACHING RURAL"

"Rural Rules"

"Buy Rural"
one neighbour to another

"Rural, REALLY.."

Lets Make It Happen!

Rural Market

- Create potential for growth by drawing in outsiders!
- Fun environment with activities and entertainment
- Less traveling for goods and services
- Opportunity for locals to promote their products, business, or services
- Keep money within the community



Map

- A detailed map of all business and services offered in this area
- Immediate visual recognition
- Getting to know what our neighbours have to offer!
- Bring awareness to community assets



Come Show Your Support!!!

- Are you a local business or service that would benefit from this endeavor?
- Do you have a musical ability or other talent that could use this outlet for exposure?
- Maybe you have a hobby that could be turned into income, and this project might make that more viable?
- Are you a community member interested in knowing what is offered locally?
- If you have equipment or a skill that others might need, you could turn it into extra income?
- Come out & share your needs & interests, to provide possibilities for new ventures

Lets come together and make something happen!

Coming together is a beginning. Keeping together is progress. Working together is success! Henry Ford

If cancelled due to weather, it will be posted on the Upriver website www.upriver-news.ca

December

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Harcourt Fire hall -karate (6:30pm)	2 Targettville Rec Center -Music Night (7pm) Harcourt Fire hall -karate	3 Bookmobile (See schedule) Bass River Hall -Bingo (7-9 pm) -Pool Tournament (6pm-2am)	4 Harcourt Legion -Wires and Wood music circle (2-4pm)
5 Bass River Hall -Pool Tournament (1:30pm) -Music night (7:30) Beersville Community Hall Spaghetti Supper (4-6pm)	6 Targettville Rec Center -Beginners French Course (7-8:30pm)	7 Bass River Hall "Buy local first" public meeting (7:30pm) Harcourt Legion -Friendly Area Seniors Club (1pm)	8 Harcourt Fire hall -karate	9 Targettville Rec Center -Music Night Harcourt Fire hall -karate	10 Grangeville Baptist Church Sunday School Christmas Concert (7pm) Bass River Hall -Bingo -Pool Tournament	11 Grangeville Baptist Church -Men's Breakfast (8:30am)
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NEWSLETTER POLICY... It is the goal of Upriver newsletter to inform residents about events, groups, issues, etc., in our community. We want to serve all residents and be independent of any political factions. It is therefore our policy that we will not publish any unpaid political advertising; however, if a political party wishes to reach their constituents through our newsletter we will accept paid political advertisements and label them clearly as such." Submissions to the Upriver newsletter may be made to Tina Beers at 785-4348 or tina.beers@upriver-news.ca or you may place your announcements and articles in the newsletter boxes located at Thompson's General Store in Bass River and Harry's Variety in Harcourt. The deadline for submissions is the 19th of every month. We reserve the right to edit and please keep all submissions under 300 words. **Thank you to all who contribute!**