

THE MESSENGER - JANUARY 2009



Items from the Municipality

Municipal News

Regular, Special and Committee of Whole Council meetings are open to the Public except for those Committee of Whole Council Meeting which have to be Closed for Confidentiality Purposes.

Visit our website - www.belledune.com

Municipal Information:

P.O. Box 1006, 2330 Main St., Belledune, NB
E8G 2X9 Phone: 522-3700 Fax: 522-3704
e-mail: bell001@nbnet.nb.ca or bell002@nbnet.nb.ca

Village of Belledune Council Meeting Schedule:

- Monday, Dec. 29/08 Special Meeting
Budget and Year-End Finances
- Monday, Jan. 5/09 Regular Meeting
- Monday, Jan. 19/09 Regular Meeting

Municipal Office Hours:

Monday to Friday, 8:00am – 4:00pm. (Closed from
12:00noon – 1:00pm).

Garbage Schedule for the Christmas Holidays

Garbage usually picked up on Thursday, Dec.
25/08 will be picked up on Wednesday, Dec. 24/08.
Garbage usually picked up on Friday, Dec. 26/08
will be picked up on Monday, Dec. 29/08.
Garbage usually picked up on Thursday, Jan.
1/09 will be picked up on Friday, Jan. 2/09.

Remember to always have your garbage out by 8:00am.

PLEASE NOTE: When writing letters to the Mayor and Council please include your complete return address or include a telephone number where you can be reached. This information is necessary in order to respond to your concerns.

Event Advertised on Website: If anyone is interested in having an event advertised on our web site may do so by e-mailing us at bell001@nbnet.nb.ca with a **brief** description of what the event is, date, time and location.

- To rent the Belledune Recreation & Cultural Centre call 522-3700.

Belledune's Community Conservation Initiative

As part of the Village of Belledune's Community Conservation Plan we are offering the following...

** CFL (compact fluorescent light) Give Away!

In partnership with Efficiency NB, the Village is offering an exchange of light bulbs. Bring an old incandescent light bulb from your home to the Municipal Office (2330 Main St.) and receive a new CFL bulb for free. One light bulb per household only! The Municipal Office is open from 8:00am – 4:00pm Monday through Friday (the office is closed from 12:00noon – 1:00pm for lunch)

** Home Energy Audits!

In conjunction with EnerPlan the Village is offering a \$25.00 coupon towards the cost of a Home Energy Audit for residence within the Village of Belledune boundaries. A home energy audit is a way to evaluate your home to see how much energy/air it loses. A report is provided to the homeowner regarding what type of work should be completed to the home to save energy/air lose. The Request Forms to have an audit done on your home are at the Municipal Office. A form can be picked up between the hours of 8:00am – 4:00pm from Monday through Friday (the office is closed from 12:00noon to 1:00pm for lunch). Once the Request Form is completed it must be returned to the Municipal Office and the staff will send the form to EnerPlan. A consultant from EnerPlan will contact the homeowner to set up a date and time for the audit to be performed. If you have any questions please feel free to contact the Municipal Office at 522-3700.

If you would like to find out more information on Efficiency NB or EnerPlan check out their websites.

Efficiency NB – www.energynb.ca
EnerPlan – www.enerplan.com

Energy Efficiency Tip (January 2009)
This month's energy efficiency tip...

Cut your Costs!

If you're in the market for a new furnace, think about getting a home energy evaluation first (as low as \$25 for Belledune residents). By air sealing and insulating your home before you install a new furnace, your heating requirements could be considerably reduced.

New \$500 heating system upgrade bonus...

Visit Efficiency NB's website (www.energynb.ca) to find out more about our new \$500 heating system upgrade bonus for homeowners going through the Existing Homes Upgrades program.

This energy efficiency tip has been brought to you by Efficiency NB, proud partner of Belledune's Community Conservation Initiative.



Congratulatory Messages:

The Village of Belledune has a Congratulatory Message Program to Commemorate Milestone Occasions. If there is a resident of the municipality who is celebrating a Birthday 80 years or Over or an Anniversary 50 years or Over. (Proof of Age or Wedding Anniversary date is required.) Request forms can be picked up at the Municipal office. Please allow a couple of weeks notice prior to the celebration to prepare the Congratulatory Message.

Belledune District Planning Commission:

A Building Permit and/or a Development Permit is required to build, renovate, alter, demolish, relocate, replace or install a building or a structure whatever the dimension. Any changes in land use also require a permit. **Please contact the Planning Commission at 542-2688 prior to doing any work to your home or property.**

Recycling Program in Belledune:

The website address is <http://www.gogreengo.ca>. Toll free number 1-888-820-5133. The Recycling Bin is located at 2330 Main St. (Municipal Office Parking Lot)

Belledune Public Library (2404 Main St.):

"Hours of Operation"

Mondays & Wednesdays, 4:00pm – 7:30pm & Fridays,
2:00pm-5:30pm. Telephone Number 522-3701.

RCMP—Contact information

*For emergency services of a life threatening nature –Call 911

*For non emergency services –Call 1-800-665-6663

New non emergency number – 1-888-506-7267

*For the Belledune RCMP station. Call 237-3030

Monday-Friday: 8:30am-4:30 pm (closed 12 Noon-1:00pm.)

Office of Mr. Roland Haché, MLA

Contact Information

Reception: 542-2424 Fax: 542-2425

E-mail: roland.hache@gnb.ca

Address: Constituency Office - Nigadoo-Chaleur
702 rue de la Mer
Petit-Rocher, New Brunswick
E8J 1E5

Department of Environment Contact:

Emergencies (including dust fallout)

During Business Hours (506) 547-2092

After Hours 1-800-565-1633

Other – Paul Fournier, Director, Bathurst Region
(506) 547-2092 or Paul.Fournier@gnb.ca

Veterans Memorial Centre Arena:

For Ice Rentals:

To Rent the ice at the Arena please call 522-3700 (Municipal Office), if we are not in please leave a message and we will get back to you.

Public Skating and Pick-up Hockey:

Public Skating – Mondays from 3:00 – 4:00pm, Tuesdays from 2:00pm – 4:00pm, Wednesdays from 2:00 – 4:00pm, and Sundays from 6:00pm – 7:00pm.

Pick-up Hockey – Thursdays from 2:00pm – 4:00pm.

Canteen Hours – also available for Take Out or Eat In Services:

Sundays from 9:00am – 7:00pm

Wednesdays from 5:00pm – 9:00pm

Thursdays from 5:00pm – 9:00pm

Fridays from 4:00pm – 8:00pm

For Take-Out Orders call Diane at 522-2183



"BIRTHDAY CORNER"

SPONSORED BY PIZZA DELIGHT

- **Please Note: Anyone wishing to enter a name in the "Birthday Corner" must submit a phone number where the winning person can be contacted.**

Winner of the Birthday Corner:

- December 2008 - **James Dempsey** (Winner receives a 12in pizza)

At Pizza Delight: If you go into Pizza Delight on your birthday (and show ID) you will get a free meal off of the lunch menu.

Happy Belated Birthday To...

- **Allyson Audit** love from Gammy, Papa & Keith "Dec. 2/08"
- **Barbara Clowater** love from your brother Bert Winton "Dec. 23/08- 86 yrs. old"
- **Susie Smearer** from Judy, Kayla & Brianna "Dec. 28/08"

Happy Birthday To...

- **Darlene McGregor** love from your family & friends "Jan. 1/09"
- **Ron Dawe** love from Chrissy & Kody *** love from Theresa & Charlie "Jan. 2/09"
- **Bert Winton** love from your six grandchildren "Jan. 5/09 - 86 yrs. old"
- **Ryan Hickey** love from Mom, Dad, Todd & Chris "Jan. 6/09 - 23 yrs. old" xoxo
- **Janice Landry** from Dennis, Lise & Logan "Jan. 9/09"
- **Jerry Guitard** love Mom & Harold "Jan. 15/08"
- **Anne Nadeau (Nanny Bunny)** love from Dad & Bubbles, Nicole, Tim & Odie "Jan. 17/09" xoxo
- **Brandon Carrier** love from Mom, Dad, Odie, Nanny Bunny, Papa Marc, Bubbles, Nanny Audrey & Papa Lou "Jan. 21/09 15 yrs. old" xoxo
- **Hayley Donnelly** from Lorraine & Raymond Daigle "Jan. 24/09 - 7 yrs. old"
- **Nelson Courier** from Dennis, Lise & Logan "Jan. 28/09"
- **Dennis Guitard** love from Lise & Logan "Jan. 31/09 - 47 yrs. old"

Special Thanks:

Claudia & Hubert Duivenvoorden would like to thank everyone who helped us through the aftermath of the barn fire this past summer. Reconstruction of the barn is now well underway, the kindness & generosity of our neighbors, in Belledune and surrounding areas will never be forgotten. Season's Greetings to all.

Tamika Carrier would like to thank the people who sponsored her for her High School Hockey.

Congratulations:

Congratulations to Brittany Godin and Rodney Smearer on their recent engagement. Love you both, from all your family.

Congratulations to Tamika Carrier for coming home with the Gold medal at the Caraquet, High School Female tournament the weekend of Nov. 20-23/08. Tamika plays defense for ESN high school. Also, congratulations to Tamika for coming home with a Gold medal from the Moncton University High School Female Hockey Tournament the weekend of Dec. 12 -14/08. We are very proud of you, Love from Dad, Mom & Shania.

Various Other Items of Interest:

Dusty Sneakers has begun exercise classes for the 10th season, the classes are every Tuesday and Thursday at 9:45am at the Jacquet River School gym. No charge. We welcome new members. Adults of all ages are welcome. Bring sneakers and water. Come and check us out.

♦ Baptism Preparation Course:

Anyone wishing to have his or her baby baptized please contact Pauline Guitard at 522-2003 or Mary Young at 237-2016 for the Baptism Preparation Course. The Baptism Preparation Course will be offered the 1st Sunday of every month at 1:00pm at the St. John the Evangelist Church. We encourage those parents who are expecting to take the course prior to the baby's arrival.

• Veterinary Clinic:

Dr. Themens will be at the Veterans Memorial Centre – Belledune Arena (2402 Main St.) in Belledune on **Monday, January 5/09**. The hours will be from 10:00am – 12 noon.

• Royal Canadian Legion Durham-Jacquet River

Branch #077: Hours of Operation: (237-2983)

-Bar Hours:

Fridays, 7:00pm – 11:30pm
Saturdays, 2:00pm – 5:30pm and 8:30pm – 12:30am (should there be a legion party upstairs on Saturday night, the downstairs bar will be closed)
Sundays, 2:00pm – 5:00pm

-Open for Coffee – Mondays to Saturdays 7:30-am – 11:00am. Everyone is Welcome!!!

-Regular Monthly Meeting – 3rd Tuesday of the month - 7:30pm

-Card Parties: Every Friday evening at 7:30pm.

-Anniversaries or Birthday Celebrations! (Rental Fee \$50 plus \$50 damage deposit). To rent the Legion please contact James Dempsey at 237-2035.

- New Year's Eve Dance – There will be a New Year's Eve Dance on Wednesday, December 31/08 with Music by Barry Mazerolle. Tickets are \$15/person and can be purchased from Don or James @ 237-2035 or Hazel Mallet @237-2980. A lunch will be served.

-Darts – Darts will begin on Saturday, January 3, 2009. Everyone is welcome.

Ladies Auxiliary

-Bingo – Wednesday nights – 7:00pm. Bring a friend.

-Meetings – Second Tuesday of each month, 7:30pm.

• Belledune Seniors Complex:

There is one (1) vacant apartment available immediately. For more information, contact Paula McDonnell at 237-3003. The apartment is for seniors only.

Please note that board members are needed to oversee the daily operations of the Belleview Seniors Complex in Belledune. Anyone interested, please call Sharon Goheen at 783-4047.

• Belledune Power Club:

Anyone wishing to become a member of the Belledune Power Club **must contact Danny Harvey** at 237-2382.

• Xstrata Zinc – Community Concern Process

Xstrata Zinc – Brunswick Smelter has developed and implemented a process to ensure that all reported concerns from any external stakeholders are properly documented and responded to in a timely manner.

This process includes all concerns originating from the Local Community, as they are considered stakeholders of Brunswick Smelter.

The process requires the concern to be reported to the Smelter directly, by using the 522-7015 number. This phone will be answered 24 hours per day, 7 days per week, by Security Personnel. Security Personnel will initiate a report, and forward that report to the appropriate personnel. The appropriate personnel will then review the concern, and respond to the originator with details of the situation.

Members of the Community are encouraged to report any concerns by phone at 522-7015.

• Advertising Flyers - Delivery Service

Belledune residents: If you receive your flyers in a clear bag and have concerns or issues with the delivery or wish to cancel delivery - you should contact Info Sac at 740 Thorton Ave., Bathurst, N.B. E2A 2W8, Attention Aline Lanteigne or call 546-9685. If you receive your flyers in a blue bag and have concerns or issues with the delivery or wish to cancel delivery

Menu:

Fries...2.00
Pogo's...1.75
Hot Dog...1.50
Onion Rings...2.25
Poutine...3.25
Clam Cup...2.75
Chesseburger...3.25
Hamburger...3.00
Chicken Tenders...4.50

Taxes included

• Curling Information:

Mr. Bob Landry will be in charge of the Curling League this season. Curling will be on Wednesday nights from 7:00pm – 9:00pm. For more information on the Curling please call Mr. Landry at 522-5928.

• Belledune Figure Skating Club:

The winner of the 10/49 was Mandy Cook - \$1000. Congratulations to Mandy.

On Dec. 19/08 Belledune held a test day for Region 8 skaters. Our club skaters were successful in passing the following tests:

Mychaela Joncas – Canasta and Baby Blues dances, Isabella Joncas – Canasta and Baby Blues dances, Naomi Carrier – Canasta dance, Savannah Carrier – Dutch Waltz dance, Jessica Duplessis – Dutch Waltz dance, Jillian Lavigne – Fiesta and Willow dances, Preliminary elements, Preliminary skill, Victoria Godin – Ten Fox dance, Preliminary skill, Preliminary elements, Rebecca Lavigne – European dance, Junior Bronze elements, Senior Bronze skill.

Great Job Girls!

• Girls and Boys under the age of 14...

Girls and boys under the age of 14 not playing organized hockey are welcome to play free of charge on Friday nights at the Veteran's Memorial Centre Arena from 9:30pm – 10:30pm. Some equipment is required. For more information please contact Nick at 237-2087.

♦ Kids Hockey

There will be shinny hockey for Kids 14 years and under each Sunday at 4:45pm – 5:45pm. Everyone must wear full hockey gear, come out and have some fun. Free of charge For more information contact Dennis Killoran at 237-3953.

♦ Ladies Hockey

Anyone interested in joining Ladies Hockey please contact Linda 237-5378 or Cindy 237-5858

- you should contact NB Distributors at P.O. Box 1001, 939 Main Street, Moncton, N.B. E1C 8P3, or call (506) 546-2543 (355 King St. Bathurst)

Street Light Outage:

Any resident that notices a street light outage may contact NB Power directly at **1-800-663-6272. When calling NB Power you MUST provide them with the number that is on the pole in order for them to fix the light...**

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- **SPCA == 684-4396**
EMERGENCY 557-9790
 - **MOOSE HOT LINE == 522-3777**
 - **Nigadoo Water Sheds = 542-2430**
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News from the Schools:

• **Belledune School:**

Belledune School “Student of the Month” for December is Aaron Firlotte, Grade 4. Congratulations Aaron. The student of the month is awarded to the student who consistently demonstrates “Respect, Achievement and Success”.

On the evening of December 3/08, we hosted a Christmas Painting Party to decorate the school for the holiday season. Many thanks to our parents!

The Staff and Students of Belledune School would like to thank all those who attended our Christmas Concert on December 17/08. Thank you to Sue Degrechie and Bathurst Superior Cafeteria for the wonderful turkey supper, Laurent Carrier for setting up our sound system, the Village of Belledune and the Belledune Figure Skating Club. A special note of thanks to Freddy Anderson for his hard work, countless hours and dedication to our school family.

The Staff and Students of Belledune School would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a healthy and prosperous 2009!

Belledune School Breakfast Program would like to thank Dennis Killoran of **Anyshore Oilfield Consulting Ltd.** for the generous donation toward our program.

• **Opportunity Knocks!!**

Again this year, the New Brunswick Community College will offer at no cost to the residents of Restigouche East the **Preparation for GED (High School Equivalency)** at the Lorne School. Classes operate daily Monday to Friday. Class schedules are flexible to meet participants’ individual needs. For more information contact Frank Culligan at 522-5411 (home) or 237-3277 (school).

• **Multi-Trade Exploration:**

Did you know that certain occupations and trades are in demand in Restigouche? Multi-Trade Exploration could be for you! For more information call 506-759-7272 or visit www.multitradeexploration.ca.

Message from the Fire Department:

When red lights and sirens are on please do not overtake fire or emergency vehicles when they are on route to an emergency call. Also, do not block entrances to emergency sites.

• **New Year’s Gala – Village of Belledune**
40th Anniversary Finale

There will be a New Year’s Gala at the Belledune Recreation & Cultural Centre on Wednesday, December 31, 2008 from 9:00pm – 2:00am

Music by: George Snyder & High Lead

Midnight Buffet By: Rose-Marie Smearer

CASH BAR

Admission: \$20.00 per person

(Advance Tickets Only – No Reserved Tickets – First Come, First Serve) No Refunds - Tickets will be on Sale from Monday, December 1/08 to Tuesday, December 23/08 at the Belledune Municipal Office (8:00am – 4:00pm). After December 23/08 call Nicole at 522-1117 for tickets...

Semi Formal / Formal Affair (no jeans) – 19 Years of Age & Over.

Come Celebrate the Finale of the 40th Anniversary



Quote of the Month:

“I’d rather be a failure at something I enjoy than be a success at something I hate.”

George Burns

Special Notice:

This will be the last Messenger that I will be doing. In 2009 the Messenger will be new and improved and will be done by a consultant. Mr. James Risdon, from ACI Media Group Inc., will be taking over the Messenger. Mr. Risdon’s contact information is **545-7192 (telephone)** or email jlrison@gmail.com. The Messenger will be sent out monthly; however the look and content will be different. The first new Messenger should be out by the middle of January 2009. It has been a pleasure working on the Messenger over the last 8 years. Thank you to everyone for making the Messenger what it is today. It has been a great community bulletin and I am sure it will continue to be a success. Don’t forget to send your events to Mr. Risdon.!

Nicole Carrier

Administrative Assistant

