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## Mayor Duivenvoorden demands meeting on local bank closure

Mayor Nick Duivenvoorden is calling for a public meeting on the pending closure of the Scotiabank branch in Jacquet River.

In February, Mayor Duivenvoorden fired off a letter to the Financial Consumer Agency of Canada (FCAC), a

federal regulatory agency that works to protect and inform consumers of financial services, to demand a public meeting.

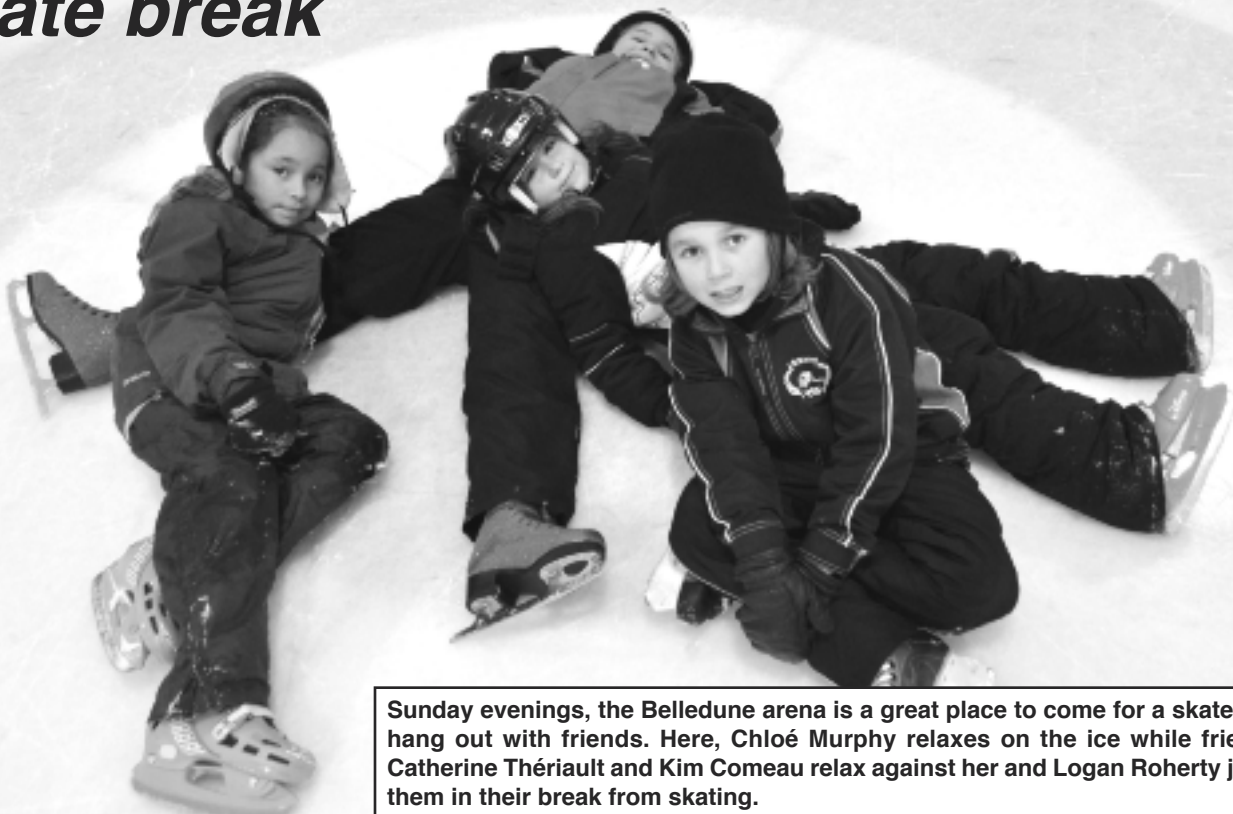
The agency can hold meetings between its officials, bank representatives and members of the public when a bank closes and someone

thinks the needs of the community have not been properly addressed. The FCAC's number is: 1-866-461-3222.

As of The Belledune Messenger's press deadline, the FCAC had not yet agreed to such a public meeting but had

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## Skate break



Sunday evenings, the Belledune arena is a great place to come for a skate and hang out with friends. Here, Chloé Murphy relaxes on the ice while friends Catherine Thériault and Kim Comeau relax against her and Logan Roherty joins them in their break from skating.

## Belledune In Brief

### Sawmill invests in its Belledune operation

Chaleur Sawmills' investment in a planner is reportedly going to provide more work for 11 employees.

The investment, part of a project initially planned for 2006, is being rolled out in three phases, with the first slated to get underway in mid May. The second phase will be undertaken a year later and the final phase in 2013.

Chaleur Sawmills employs about 175 people at its sawmill and another 150 in New Brunswick forest operations.

### Re-think sewage system decision, asks mayor

Mayor Nick Duivenvoorden is asking members of his council to make sure they are comfortable with the decisions they made on the sewage

lagoon and wastewater system last year.

The mayor's comments came during the February council meeting after a provincial government employee informed the Village of Belledune that the almost \$4.67 million approved for its proposed sewage lagoon and wastewater system will not be held until after the next municipal election in 2012. According to the letter, the Village of Belledune only has until June 30 of this year to either start the project or lose this funding.

The loss of this funding would mean that the Village of Belledune would also have to repay to the province the more than \$210,000 it has already received for this project.

### Village bus declared surplus, going up for sale

The 24-seater bus used until recently by community groups in the Village of Belledune has been declared surplus by the council.

This is the first step in putting the bus, which has required maintenance in the past, up for sale.

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## FCAC may hold public meeting on pending Scotiabank closure

acknowledged receipt of the mayor's letter.

"It would be foolhardy for us to just lay down and give up on this issue," said Mayor Duivenvoorden.

During the last council meeting, he suggested Village of Belledune staff should start shopping around for another bank.

"There are other financial institutions who would love to do business with the Village of Belledune," said the mayor.

Clerk-Treasurer Brenda Cormier agreed to check out what the other financial institutions have to offer and report back to council.

According to community development officer Andy Flanagan, the loss of Belledune's only local bank would be not only a big inconvenience for many residents but also likely lead to a loss of revenue for many of the community's retail businesses.

### Video of storm sewers shows 36 connections

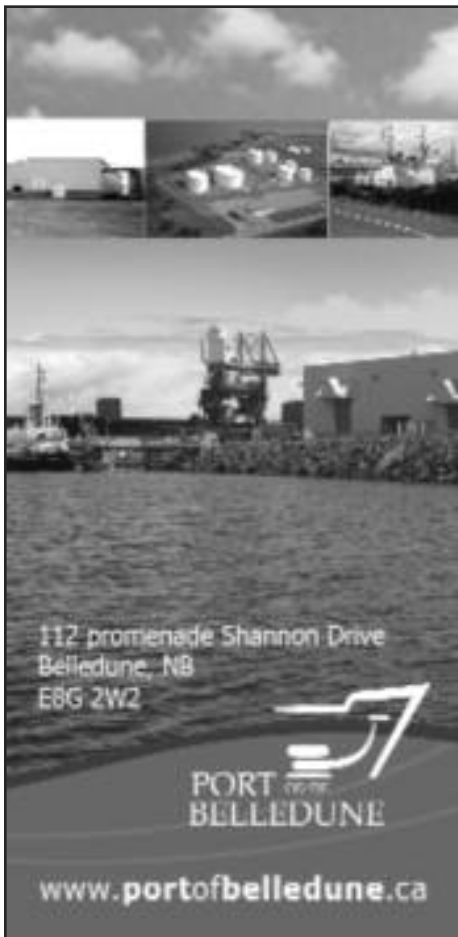
The video is clear about one thing: there are 36 connections coming into storm sewers in Belledune.

But what the video can't show is whether those connections are just bringing water from drainage pipes on residents' properties - or whether some of those pipes are coming from private septic systems.

In February, chief administrative officer David Hughes informed council of Roy Consultants' report on the storm sewers. According to Mr. Hughes, the least expensive way to determine whether a pipe is coming from a septic system or not is to insert a smoke bomb in the pipe and close up the visible end to see where the smoke goes.

Even so, this option is likely to cost about \$11,000, not including another \$2,000 to Roy Consultants for doing this work, said Mr. Hughes.

Residents would be notified and the fire department on site should smoke bombs be used, he said.



### Council Meeting Schedule

Mar. 21	7 p.m.
Apr. 18	7 p.m.
May 16	7 p.m.



Stepping up to make a difference in the fight against cancer, members of the Super Village Trail Blazers snowmobile club in Belledune formed the first team in the 2011 Relay for Life. The team's members are: (front row): Ron Ward, Lori Pethick, Tammy Guitard, Heather Ward; (middle row): Dan Pethick, Polly Parent, Joan Parent, Paul Devereaux, Michael Landry, Ashley Legace; (back row): Alex Goodine, Holland Good, Krissy Duivenvoorden, Ryan Duivenvoorden, and Allan Black.

## Super Village Trail Blazers form first team for Belledune's 2011 Relay for Life

At 64 years of age, Belledune's Brenda Kelly is a cancer survivor.

With early detection, she was able to get treatment, including chemotherapy and radiation therapy, and send that cancer into remission.

Last year, Ms. Kelly took part in the Canadian Cancer Society's Relay for Life fundraiser and awareness event in Dalhousie. Her daughters, Lori Pethick and Sandra Devereaux, joined her.

"They had invited my mom to do the Survivors' Lap and so we went with her and stayed all night and walked with her," said Ms. Pethick.

"I was choked up from the time I arrived to the time I left. It was an experience to be involved and see everything."

A member of the Super Village Trail Blazers snowmobile club in Belledune, Ms. Pethick decided to get involved again this year in the Relay for Life by forming a team for this year's event.

"We all know someone affected by cancer and it is only by coming together that we will triumph over cancer," says Flo Guitard, co-chair of this year's Relay for Life committee in Belledune.

In Canada, 40 per cent of women and 45 per cent of men can expect to be diagnosed with some form of cancer in their lives. But, with treatment, 62 per cent of those battling cancer can expect to survive at least five years after their initial diagnosis.

In Belledune, three new teams registered for the Relay for Life and 55

people showed up during the kick-off event held by the organizing committee on Feb. 13.

"Every day, [the Canadian Cancer Society is] connecting with individuals to help them prevent cancer through healthy living," said Luc Duguay, special events coordinator with the Canadian Cancer Society. "Every day, we take the health of New Brunswicker's seriously and demonstrate it by lobbying the government for healthier public policies."

Anyone who would like to register a team for the Relay for Life can contact Karen Carrier at 522-5827 or 522-3740.

Team members are asked to raise \$150 each and take part in the night of walking in support of cancer research.



## James' Messenger

*Rocking on for Durham wharf? Why not?*

You could call it the Durham Wharf Battle of the Bands.

A contest with a recording contract as the top prize. Atlantic Canadian composers writing and bands performing songs about Durham Wharf at the 2011 Belledune Days Festival. All proceeds from that show and a percentage of the revenue from the sale of the resulting CD produced by the winning band to go back into Durham Wharf.

Right now, that contest is just an idea. One of my maybe crazy ideas. But, hey, maybe not.

Durham Harbour Authority president Paul Guitard wants the Village of Belledune to take over ownership of the wharf. It needs work. Lots of work. And that costs money.

Unless either the harbour authority or the village spends that money, the federal government is thinking of returning the wharf to its natural state. That could mean the end of the dream of having an active pleasure boat marina or commercial fishery on Durham wharf.

And that would be a shame. Durham has a nice little wharf opening up onto one of the most beautiful bays in the world.

I say we keep it.

Is it naive to think we can save Durham wharf by putting on a show? Well, maybe.

But who knows? Maybe a Durham wharf song would catch on, raise tons of money to fix the wharf and wind up becoming Belledune's unofficial anthem.

Stranger things have happened.

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## Happy 50th Anniversary!



*A belated 50th anniversary wish goes out to*

*Rose and Allie Culligan*

*from their six children and 14 grandchildren.*

*The happy couple was married on Feb. 14, St. Valentine's Day.*

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## Belledune In Brief

### Meeting for Belledune Days is March 1

The chair of the Belledune Days organizing committee says the group's next meeting is slated for March 1 at 6:30 p.m. at the Belledune Recreational and Cultural Centre.

### Chaleur Drive water contract awarded

North Shore Water Conditioning saw its contract to maintain the water system in the townsite accepted and endorsed at the February council meeting. Mayor Nick Duivenvoorden, whose cousin operates that company, excused himself from the discussion and vote for the contract worth \$34,000 plus expenses and disbursements.

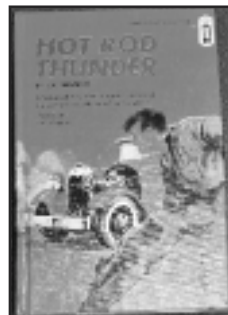
## The Book Corner



Donald Duck flies to Ireland with Daisy to catch a leprechaun in **Leprechauns**

**on the Loose: An Adventure in Ireland.** Donald is hoping to turn his luck around by catching a leprechaun but Chip and Dale have other plans for him. This illustrated children's book is a great way for children to be introduced to the Emerald Isle.

In a world of suped-up street racers, 1960s hot rods seem more like vintage cars than thundering race cars. Still, young readers will be able to identify



with Chris Hanna in **Hot Rod Thunder** as he is caught between wanting to do the right thing and win the big race in Hillspoint.

Daniel J. Blackburn's **Human Harvest: The Sacramento Murder**

**Story** is a chilling account of a case in which an elderly woman exploited and then murdered people in the U.S. social welfare system. On the outside, Dorothea Puente projected the image of a kind and gentle woman. The reality, though, was horrifying.



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# What good book or good movie have you come across lately and what made it so good?

Every month or so, The Belledune Messenger heads out to take the pulse of the community. This month, we turned to the world of culture and asked you for your

favourite book or movie.

*What good book have you read or good movie have you seen lately and what made it good?*



Nine-year-old Jérémie Lavallée, of Eel River, likes the last Capitaine Bobette he read. "It was good - and funny!" he said.



"There was one book called The Sun," said Taylor Richard. "They had people who tried to go to the sun but couldn't."



"Violet Guitar liked Erin Brockovich with Julia Roberts. "It's similar to the problems we're having here with pollution," she said.



"The Mummy - Parts 1 and 2," said Nathalie Mallaley. "It was awesome!"



"Ghost Night," said Linda Lapointe. "I just like it. It was set in Key West of the French Quarter."



"The Mechanic," said Belledune's Gordon Legacy. "It has lots of action."

## Birthday Corner

Happy birthday to two-year-old Denver River Louis on March 4 from her mommy, Amanda Daigle, daddy, gamma and gampa. We love you very much! xoxo!

Birthday wishes also go out on March 9 to Aurele Daigle from Jacqueline, Amanda, Denver and Jason. We love you very much!

## Belledune EMO Emergency Preparedness Tips

### Stay safe during severe storms

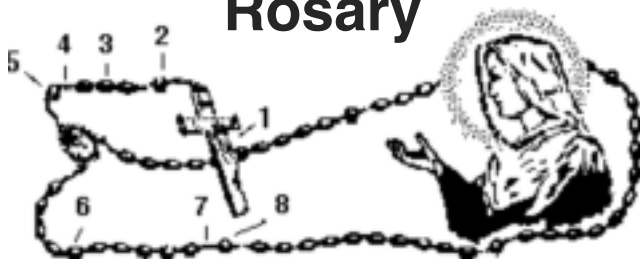
1. If you must go out, tell someone where you are going and when you expect to arrive.
2. If you are driving in heavy rain, stop if possible but avoid low lying areas (under bridges or overpasses).
3. If it is hailing, get vehicle under shelter.
4. Stay indoors, away from windows.
5. If thunder and lightning, unplug

electronics.

6. Stay away from things that conduct electricity
7. If caught in the open, crouch in "leap frog" position, protecting your head and neck with your hands.

*Extra tip: Keep a corded phone in your home; most cordless phones will not work during a power outage.*

## How To Pray The Rosary



The purpose of the rosary is to help to remember certain principal events or mysteries in the history of our salvation, and thank and praise God for them. There are twenty mysteries reflected upon in the rosary, these are divided into the five joyful mysteries, the five luminous mysteries, the five sorrowful mysteries, and the five glorious mysteries.

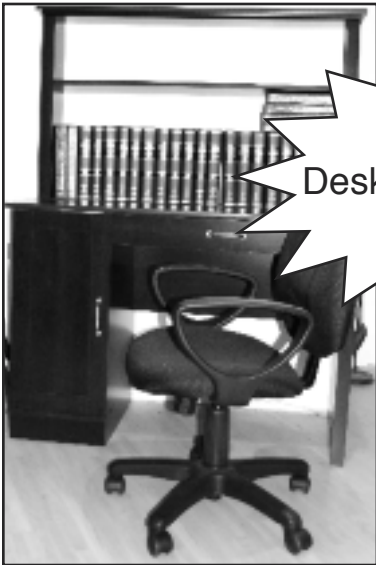
- 1) Make the Sign of the Cross and say the Apostles' Creed.
- 2) Say the Our Father.
- 3) Say three Hail Marys.
- 4) Say the Glory be to the Father.

- 5) Announce the first mystery; then say the Our Father.
  - 6) Say ten Hail Marys.
  - 7) Say the Glory to be to the Father.
  - 8) Announce the second mystery; then say the Our Father.
- Repeat 6 and 7 and continue with third, fourth and fifth mysteries in the same manner.

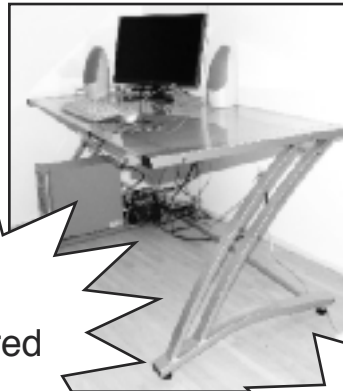
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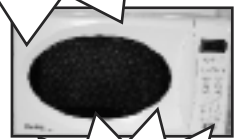


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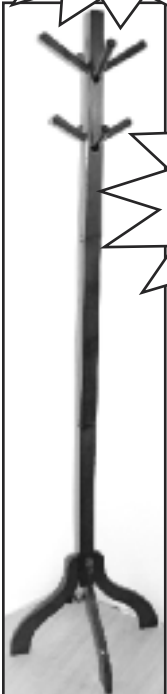
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# NHL Oldtimers game gives local hockey players a thrill, raises bucks for Legion

The NHL Oldtimers soundly defeated the Belledune Selects 9 - 4 at the local arena in early February.

And it was the best game Belledune Selects forward Paul Arseneau ever lost.

"The highlight for me was during the introduction, watching the fans.

"They were just thrilled to see these guys step onto the ice in Belledune," he said.

The NHL Oldtimers brought in more than 300 fans and revenues of more than \$7,500. After expenses, the local branch of the Royal Canadian Legion, who put on this event as a fundraiser, expects to have raised about \$3,000.

"We're looking at doing this again. Definitely," said Regent Firlotte, a vice-president of the local Legion. "We had people from everywhere!"

The event saw also Beresford Minor Hockey novice players, most aged between five and seven years old, take on



**Belledune Selects gave it their all and had a great time during their face-off with hockey greats on the NHL Oldtimers team at the Belledune arena.**

the former NHLers.

"When you look at a child's eyes, you

can see the wonder," said Mr. Firlotte.

"They were just delighted."

## Belledune Community Resources

*The Belledune Messenger is pleased to provide the following list of important community resources. Should there be others you would like to see added, please e-mail: [acimediagroup@nb.aibn.com](mailto:acimediagroup@nb.aibn.com)*

<b>Belledune District Planning Commission</b>	<b>542-2688</b>
<b>Belledune Public Library</b>	<b>522-3701</b>
<b>Emergency</b>	<b>911</b>
<b>Environment New Brunswick Emergencies</b>	<b>547-2092</b> <b>1-800-565-1633, afterhours</b>
<b>MLA Roland Haché - Nigadoo Chaleur Riding</b>	<b>542-2424, during business hours</b>
<b>MP Tilly O'Neill-Gordon - Miramichi Riding</b>	<b>1-800-567-5564</b> <b>237-2333</b>
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<b>Restigouche County - SPCA - Animal Control</b>	<b>684-4396</b> <b>557-9790 emergency</b>
<b>Roman Catholic churches - St. Gabriel The Archangel &amp; St. John the Evangelist</b>	<b>237-2027</b>
<b>Royal Canadian Legion Durham - Jacquet River</b>	<b>237-2983</b>
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