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Welcome to the Olden Days



Shown here are some Terrace Bay Public School Grade 5 students dressed as pioneers for their "Celebration of the Past". Kelly Papineau, Leigh Isaacson, and Bronwen Gemmill hold up a 40 year-old railway light that was part of the display.

Photo by Angie Saunders

Community Futures Grant

By Angie Saunders
The News

Reg Belair, M.P. for the Cochrane-Superior area, took time out of his busy schedule to come down to the News last week, while he was in Terrace Bay, to tell me about the Community Futures Grant.

The grant of \$440,660.00 is broken down into three parts.

The Business Development Centre will receive \$200,000 as an investment fund. This money will be used for businesses who

ask for money to expand and modernize.

A total of \$115,860 will be used for the operation of the Business Development Centre for rent and salaries.

The remaining \$124,800 will be used for self employment initiative for persons who want to start a new business.

Reg Belair stated, "I am pleased that the Terrace Bay / Schreiber area has set up this group because there are now

funds available to start to diversify the economy. There are funds, incentives available to the small businesses to improve their operations."

Mr. Belair also talked of Bill C21, in which a person will need 20 weeks to qualify for unemployment insurance benefits. About \$1.5 billion a year will be saved by doing this. Barb MacDougall will inject \$850 million of the total back into the economy for job training.

By Angie Saunders
The News

Ron Jowitt's Grade 5 students at Terrace Bay Public School held their "Celebration of the Past" on Thursday, May 17th as part of their Social Studies class.

A blackboard with the words "Welcome to the Olden Days" greeted the many students, teachers, and parents that came to see the display of old-time possessions the grade 5 students brought for the special day.

Some of the students putting on the display were dressed in styles that pioneers wore such as long dresses and overalls. One young lady was dressed as a 'Flower Child' as a tribute to the 60's.

An old 78 record playing "Wait til the Sun Shines, Nellie Blues," by Arthur Godfrey, flooded the classroom with music. There were also a few other "Oldies but Goodies".

The students all had brought something to exhibit, ranging from the dinosaur age to the 1980's.

Dinosaur Bones

Layla Vandergraaf had the oldest exhibit I could find. She displayed the nail and part of a rib from a dinosaur.

Woody Ellsworth had a copy of a 1550 gun which worked with a flintlock mechanism. When a piece of flint is struck on a piece of steel, the spark that jumps lights a bit of burlap which in turn lights the powder. The first known model kind of this gun was made in the Netherlands around 1550.

Bronwen Gemmill showed me a shoe from the 1800's. She mentioned that the shoe was likely made for a show or a maybe a doll.

Danny Derkson displayed pictures of his great-great Grandfather from the year 1860 and of his great Grandparents 1898. He also owned a teddy bear from 1954 which had been through four generations.

A curling rock from the year 1882 was one of Patrick Stark's contributions to "Celebration of the Past" as well as a wood shaver from 1921.

Kelly Papineau showed a beautiful lamp from the 1930's. A light turning inside a small box gave the illusion of a fountain sprouting water.

The London Free Press dated July 2, 1959 was brought in by Leigh Isaacson. She had also brought a railway lamp which was about 40 years old.

Kevin Daniels had some interesting things including a wolf trap that his great Grandfather used to use, a bayonet from World War II and a movie camera from the 1950's.

One of the displays that caught my eye was a few old records. Devon Jackson brought 1960's records by Grateful Dead, Iron Butterfly, and Quicksilver.

150 year- old spinning wheel

Other students exhibited possessions such as army helmets, dolls, a bread maker, boots, books, paintings, and comics.

The biggest display in the classroom was brought in by the teacher Mr. Jowitt. It was a 150 year old spinning wheel that his Grandmother used.

Profits for Rodel

The Grade 5 students also served any guests that came to their exhibit with home-made bread and ice cream for a small fee. The students and their parents spent all day Wednesday making bread and ice cream. There was even home-made butter to spread on the fresh bread.

All the profits from the food are going towards Rodel, Terrace Bay Public School's foster child in the Phillipines.



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