



2008 President's Message

The summer is over and hopefully everyone had a safe and enjoyable one. Since the last Newsletter in January the club has been very busy in charity and social activities, as you will see in the following reports on activities in the crafts room and the wood working shop. The club was honored with two volunteer week awards by the Community services Council of Newfoundland and Labrador. We were successful in our application for a New Horizons Grant from the Federal Government and received \$25,000 to upgrade our facilities at Pioneer Place, Bldg 109 Pleasantville. This has enabled us to replace aging furniture and appliances, expand the Crafts Room and Wood Working Shop as well as other improvements to the building. We have signed a 5 year lease with Aliant continued use of the building. We continue to support many charitable and other organizations through financial and material contributions involving many thousands of volunteer hours by members, their spouses and other supporters. This club makes a great contribution to our community. **The week of November 2nd to 8th is Pioneer Week**, a time to celebrate Pioneering and to show off some of the things that have been made in the Craft Room and the Wood Working shop. On Nov. 3rd at 10:AM a morning coffee will be held at the club room and presentations of things made by us to the various groups we support. We will also on behalf of the all pioneers in Newfoundland and Labrador make a contribution of \$10,000 to the Cancer society for Daffodil House. Everyone is invited.

On the social side, we enjoyed a couple of BBQ's, pot luck suppers and parties as well

as the regular activities such as Wednesday lunches.

The year has gone quickly since January and it has been busy and fulfilling. There are almost 1000 retirees in the St. John's area and we would like to see more of you taking advantage of the activities that the club has to offer.

My term as President will end and Andy Vavsour will assume the President's job on Jan 1, 2008.

Bob Noseworthy
President FPLMC

2008 Club Activities

HIGHWAY CLEAN-UP

Again this year, on May 29th, 45 Pioneers, their Partners and Friends spent a total of 302 hours collecting 125 bags of garbage from the sides of the Trans Canada Highway between the Fox Trap Access Road and Butter Pot Park. The weather was a little wet but that did not dampen the spirit of those who participated. It is amazing what is thrown or blown from vehicles traveling that portion of the road. It is thanks to our club and similar organizations that the sides of the Trans Canada Highway do not look like a garbage dump.

Regatta Day Parking

The club again this year provided supervised parking at the Fort William Bldg. For those attending the annual Regatta. Over \$2700.00 was raised.

Hope Chest Fund Raiser

This was a successful project with the winning ticket drawn for Mothers Day. Over \$1000.00 was raised.

Tickets on another Hope Chest are now on sale and the draw will be on Dec 21st, for Christmas. The Hope Chests were hand

crafted in the Wood Working Shop under the leadership of Jack Badcock.

Computers for Schools

Our club continues to support Computers for Schools by delivering newly refurbished computers to various schools and picking up used computers from donating businesses and government. Bill Butt has contributed 1250 volunteer hours this year to this project.

Work Shop Projects & Activities

Janeway Memory Boxes

Every year there are a number of new born babies that pass away. This is very tragic for the parents and the nurses, at the hospital, try to help by giving them items belonging to the babies such as their small blanket. The Nurses wished to have something appropriate to place these articles in, and that would serve as a keepsake, that they could give to the parents. Small Memory Boxes produced by the Work Shop out of pine has filled this need and every year 30 to forty are produced. They are lined with material by the Craft Room and a picture is etched on the wood cover by a craftsperson in Torbay.

Autism "Shamrock Farm" Deck

In the spring 10 Pioneers from the Work Shop spent over 300 volunteer hours building a deck at the rear of the main building. The deck is 20ft. X 60ft. and will be used for various activities related to the programs to help Austic Children. This was part of a partnership agreement we have with the Autism Society in which we agreed to provide a Green house (completed last fall) and 500 volunteer hours.

Max Simms Camp

In June 5 Pioneers from the Work Shop spent a week at the max Simms Camp for Challenged Children. This was the 11th year that our club has contributed their labor and financial support to improving the physical condition of the fatalities. The work this year involved retiling bathrooms, providing

emergency lighting and a swing at the swimming pool.

Glen Brook Lodge Seniors Home

In our continuing support of the Glen Brook lodge 10 lawn chairs were constructed so residents could enjoy the summer. This fall a sun shade will be we constructed over a patio we built some years ago.

Craft Room Projects & Activities

The ladies in the new and improved craft room have started another busy year. We currently have 18 women who meet Monday and Wednesday mornings from 9:30am until noon. During a great social time, we knit and sew for the seniors homes, hospitals, and cancer society, etc. We have lots of fun and laughs. We are currently getting ready for Pioneer Week. On Nov. 3rd., 10am., at Bldg 107, morning coffee, we will donate the year's work to the charities which we support. All are welcome to join or just visit us and see our renovations. Also we welcome any donations of wool or material, as we supply all materials to our helpers. Hope to see you on Nov. 3rd.

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CHRISTMAS DINNER & DANCE



WE ARE REKINDLING THE TRUE SPIRIT OF PIONEERING AND CHRISTMAS WITH YOU IN MIND SO WHY NOT JOIN US FOR AN EVENING OF FUN, FELLOWSHIP AND GREAT FOOD. A TURKEY DINNER WITH ALL THE TRIMMINGS AND A DANCE TO FOLLOW IS SET FOR FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 28TH 7:00 PM, DOORS WILL OPEN AT 6:30 PM. The place: Elks Club, Carpasian Rd. Tickets ONLY \$15.00 per person, we will also get a 50 cent discount on drinks at the bar. Doesn't that sound wonderful! Get your

tickets early; only 130 available. Deadline for pick up is November 18th. Call **Barbara @ 576-1344 or e-mail**

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MARK YOUR CALENDER FOR THIS EVENT AND BE SURE TO SHINE YOUR DANCING SHOES.

INCOME TAX PREPARATION

Again next year we will purchase copies of Tax Preparation Software for use by members in preparing their 2008 Income tax. There is no charge for members who have contributed volunteer hours in 2008 and a \$5.00 charge for others. Help in using the software is available at the club. Contact any member of executive.

COMPUTER TRAINING & ASSISTANCE

Our club has provided basic computer training in the past and will do so again if there is sufficient interest; as well there is usually someone around who can help with computer problems. Low cost computers are available from the pioneer chapter. Call 722- 7632 or email plm@nfld.net

E MAIL ADDRESSES

Send your e mail address to the club at plm@nfld.net so we can keep you informed about what is happening

DARTS

The dart league starts on Tuesday January 6th . If you would like to play, contact Dave Beer 368-1161.

SOLID OAK HOPE CHEST

The workshop has built a beautiful Hope Chest from solid Oak as a fund raising project. Tickets are \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00 and available from any member or call 722- 7632 or email plm@nfld.net

Texas Hold'em Poker

Interested in playing Texas Hold'em Poker? If so let us know and if there is enough interest, we will set a fun tournament in January. Email us plm@nfld.net



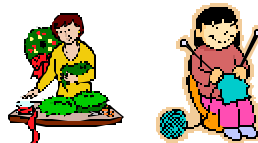
AFTERNOON TEA



The Craft Room Ladies will be holding their Annual Afternoon Tea on Dec. 9th between 2 and 4 PM at Pioneer place, bldg 107 in Pleasantville. Tea and cookies will be served by the Work Shop men . Everyone is invited and a good time will be had by all.

FALL CRAFT SALE

The Fall Craft sale at the Confederation bldg. Will take place on Oct 16th . if you have items to donate they can be dropped off at pioneer place, bldg 107 on the morning of Oct 15th at which time the items for sale can be previewed.



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Pioneer Purpose

The Telecom Pioneers of Canada is a network of current and former telecom industry employees, their partners and their families. We are leaders in volunteerism, committed to:

- improving the quality of life in our communities;
- providing value to our sponsor organizations and their strategic priorities;
- focusing on the personal growth of our members; and creating rewarding fellowship opportunities.

We will accomplish this by acting professionally, and showing compassion for those in need. We will be accountable and loyal to our sponsor companies, and strive for excellence in everything that we do..

CLUB MEETINGS

Our club business meetings take place on the second Wednesday of each month (except July, and August) starting at 1:00 pm.

JANUARY	9	JUNE	11
FEBRUARY	13	SEPTEMBER	10
MARCH	12	OCTOBER	8
APRIL	9	NOVEMBER	12 TH
MAY	14	DECEMBER	10 TH

2008 FALL EVENTS

Fall Sale at Confederation Bldg.	Oct. 16 th
Thanksgiving Pot Luck	Oct. 9 th
Workshop BQQ	Oct. 23 rd
Christmas dinner & Dance	Nov. 28 th
Afternoon Tea (2 - 4PM)	Dec. 9 th



Aliant Pioneers Fort Pepperrell life Members Club have partnered with Canadian Blood Services to provide 20 blood donations in 2008. If you can donate blood, please do so and provide this **Partner ID: ALIA009225** so the donation can be tracked and credited to our commitment.

Blood, it's in you to give!

