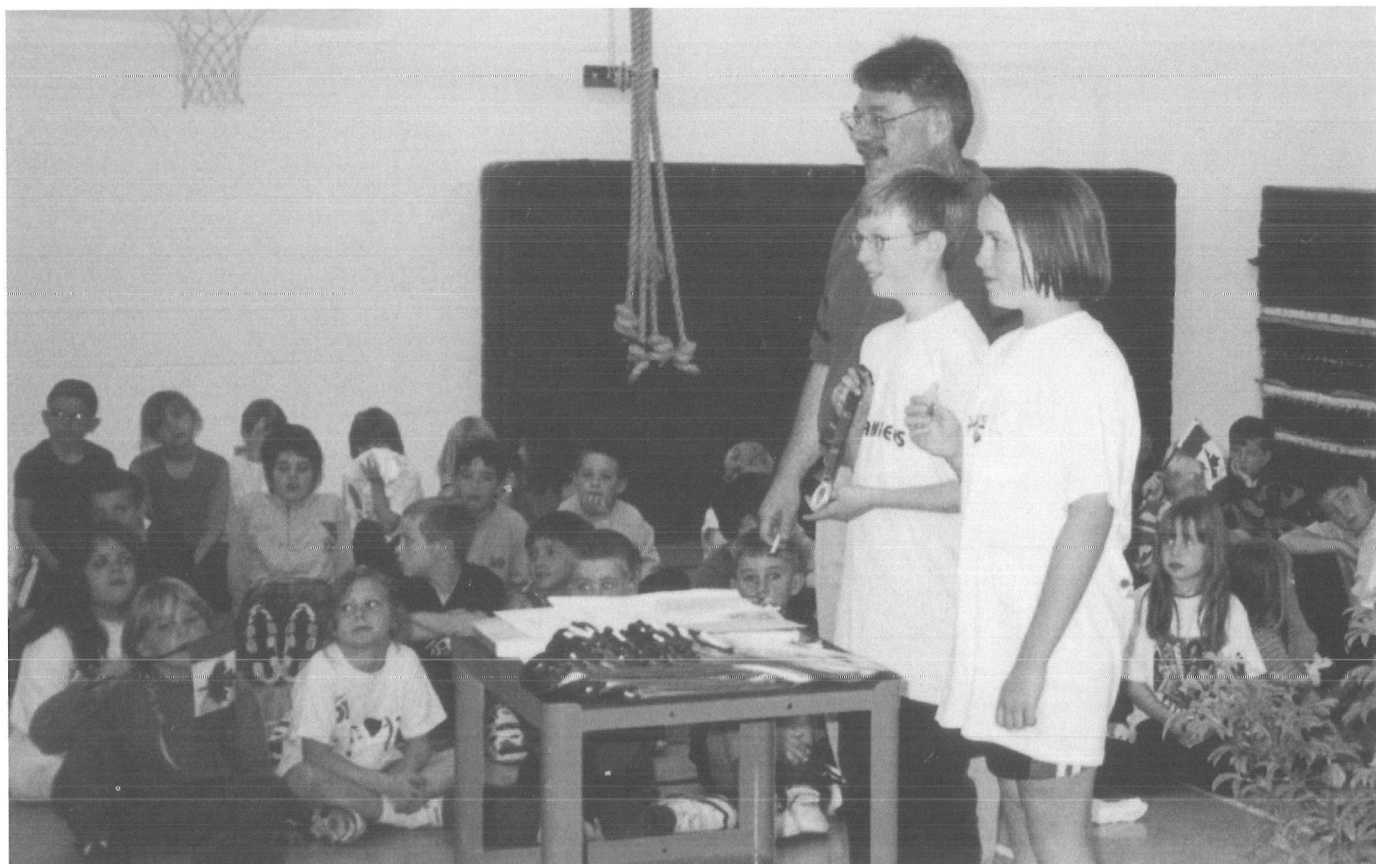




Male Athlete Award – Kyle Flett, presented by Joan English, Petersfield General Store, June 30, 1999.



Presenting an Ode to Grade 6's leaving Wm. S. Patterson for Lockport – Herb Streich, Linda Breaky, Merv Haines, Lisa Boch, Natasha Penner Loeppky, Roneen Keats, Cindy Harris – June 30, 1999.



Math Pythagoras Award – John Mabee 1st, Erin Brown 2nd, presented by John Murray – June 30, 1999.



Radio-Cassette Player Award for best story submitted by a student – presented to Cody Sterzer by Edwin Carter on behalf of John and Alice Shachtay, June 30, 1999.

**William S. Patterson School
Kindergarten, 1998-1999**

Gerry Degroot, teacher

I like living in Clandeboye because I take swimming lessons in Selkirk. There's lots of open space. I can run between the trees. Trynda Adair

I like living in Clandeboye because I can go swimming in my big swimming pool. I like to help my Dad work on the farm. Danika Aime

I like living in between Clandeboye and Petersfield because I have lots of space to fly my kite and pull my wagon. Kyle Boch

I like living in Clandeboye because I live close to my Grandma and friends. Jenna-Lee Bourgeois

I like living in Clandeboye because I have a big yard. My Mom and I plant a big garden and lots of flowers. I have lots of room to ride my bike. Brooke Colles

I like living in Petersfield because I have a big pool for splashing in and I like to play with my sisters. Jessica Croy

I like living in Clandeboye because I like living by my neighbors. They are all my friends. Courtney Fielding

I like living in Petersfield because it's a big country with lots of room to do things. I get to see Erika Hendrickson and lots of nice butterflies. Emilie Ford

I like living in Petersfield because I like to live by Emilie. I like to phone my friend Emilie. Erika Hendrickson

I like living in Petersfield because I live by Courtlyn. It's nice and quiet where I live. Salinda Herner

I like living in Petersfield because I have lots of neighbors that I like to visit. Cody Gibson

I like living in Petersfield because I have a big yard where I can ride my bike. Joel Gratton

I like living in Petersfield because I like boating. I have a big yard where I can do everything I want. Aaron Harrigan

I like living in Clandeboye because I have nine friends that live close to me. Kurtis Hay

I like living in Clandeboye because I get candy from the Clandeboye Store. I can go swimming in my pond. Adam Johnson

I like living in Petersfield because I live by Courtlyn. There aren't that many robbers by my house. Jessi Keats

I like living in Clandeboye because I live close to Adam. I like to ride my bike to his house. Joe McDonald

I like living in Petersfield because I like my neighbours. I like playing with their toys and jumping on their trampoline. Blake Riley

I like living in Petersfield because I have lots of room to ride my bike. I can also go boating with my Dad. Gregory St. Laurent

I like living in Petersfield because I like boating, swimming and biking. I have lots of room to play. Justin St. Laurent

I like living in Petersfield because I live close to my grandma and my cousins and my aunts. Cori-Lynne Simpson

I like living in Selkirk because I like going to the beach and to the pet store. In my home I play with my computer. Travis Sinclair

I like living in Petersfield because I like swimming in my creek and I like living close to my friends. Courtlyn Suszko

I like living in Clandeboye because I like to go to the store and ride my bike. Jordan Tucker

I like living in Clandeboye because I can go swimming in the creek. Alex Vandenberg

I like living in Selkirk because I like to play with my friends. I like riding my bike on the sidewalks and I like to go to McDonalds. Erica Wilgosh

William S. Patterson School

Grade One, 1998-1999

Diane Van Wart, teacher

My name is Jordan Bedard. I like my school because I like the tire swing. I like the gym because I like the basketballs. I like the music room because I like the bells.

My name is Scott Breakey. I like my school because we go on field trips. I like the tire swing. We go to the library on Day two and five.

My name is Coral Breland. I like my school because I go to Brownies. I go on the computer. I go to the gym and play games. I like Pizza Day. I like Sparks.

My name is Samantha Campbell. I like my school because we have field trips. I liked the dinosaurs at the museum. The swings are fun. Gym is fun.

My name is Jordy Charlo. I like my school because I go to Beavers. I love the tire swing. I like the gym because I can play on the scooter boards.

My name is Bradley Croy. I like my school because I like the scooters in the Gym. I like to go on the tire swing and talk to the puppets Zack and Amy. I like to play with Mr. Murray's toys and play with the stickers.

My name is Kyle Halischuk. I like my school because I go on the monkey bars. I like the gym. I like the computers.

My name is Nathan Herner. I like my school because I like the gym. I like Beavers. I like Pizza Day.

My name is Callie Lavallo. I like my school because we can go to Brownies and play soccer. We can play games. We can use the computer.

My name is Tyler Mackay. I like my school because I like basketball. I like to go on the swings. We go to the library to pick out a book.

My name is Jessi Mark. I like my school because we have Show and Tell. We go on field trips and we do homework. We have gym and play games. In computers, we play Mat Rabbit. We have Brownies and Sparks. We play on the slides and go to choir. We have math homework.

My name is Molly Masson. I like my school because we can go on field trips. We go onto the computers. I like soccer the best.

My name is Jarret Morrison. I like my school because I go to gym and play basketball. I go to the library. I play soccer at night.

My name is Brittany Murphy. I like my school because we have field trips. I liked it when we went to the museum. We saw lots of bones and even got to make a dinosaur's claw. I really like that time.

My name is Tamlyn Nutbean. I like my school because I like Sparks and Pizza Day. I like field trips and I like computers. I like math homework and Show and Tell.

My name is Candice Penny. I like my school because I go to Sparks. I play soccer. I go to the library. I play games. I can go to Brownies. I like to go to music and choir.

My name is Preston Punton. I like my school because I play soccer. I go to Beavers. I play basketball.

My name is Chelsea Salter. I like my school because I'm in Brownies now. I like the monkey bars. I like Pizza Day. We had Pizza Day twice this year.

My name is Mathew Savage-Ward. I like my school because I like gym. I can play soccer. I can play T-ball. I like Beavers.

My name is Jamie Simundson. I like my school because I go to Sparks. I've never been in Brownies. I play T-ball.

My name is Adam Skrypnyk. I like my school because we play games. I like the tire swing. The homework we get is math. We have Show and Tell.

My name is Caleb Sterzer. I like my school because I like Pizza Day. I like T-ball. I like to play games.

My name is Levi Sterzer. I like my school because I like Pizza Day. We go to the gym. I like soccer.

My name is Ryan Werbicki. I like my school because I go to soccer. I like T-ball. I play on the monkey bars.

William S. Patterson School

Grade Two, 1998-1999

Lois Penner, teacher

Hi, my name is Chantel Boch. We live in Petersfield. I like where I live because we have a big yard. I ride my bike. I sign up for T-ball, Brownies and swimming lessons. I live close to school. I have a dog.

My name is Lloyd Brown. I live in Clandeboye. I love living in Clandeboye because I have lots of space to ride my horses.

My name is Steven Copland. I live in Clandeboye. I like living here because I have a big yard.

Hi, my name is Nathan Cozac. I like to live in Petersfield. I live by a store. It is fun. I like to live by a big field. It is fun. I live very close to my friend's house. He is in a higher grade. I like to go for walks with my Mom.

My name is Shaun Danyleyko. I live in Clandeboye. I like it because I live close to my friend's houses. I'm free to ride my mountain bike. I signed up for soccer. I go to swimming in Selkirk. I have a big yard. I have a sister. Her name is Emma. I can bike down to my friend's houses. I have kittens. Hissy, the mom cat, had six babies. I have a grandfather cat too. I have a dog.

Hi, my name is Clinton Duck. I have a big yard to play sports in. I walk to the store. I can play with my friends at school. I like my school.

My name is Shawn Duguid. I live in Petersfield. I like it because I am close to my friend, Nathan. I have a big yard. I can ride my bike. I joined Beavers and swimming.

Hi, my name is Mike Fulkerson. I live in Petersfield. I like my home because it has a big yard.

My name is Andrew Harris. I live in Clandeboye. I like where I live because I can be free to ride my bike. I'm close to a pool. I can sign up for sports. I'm close to my friend's Morgan and Katie. I can sign up for Beavers. I can walk to my cousins Mandy, Mellisa, and Catharina. I have two pet cats, Dusty and Mittens. I have a brother and a sister - Colin and Jillian.

My name is Chandra Hermanson. I live in Netley. I like to live there because I have a big yard.

I live close to my friend, Sally. I can go for a bike ride any time I want to. I live on a farm and have lots of pets. I have two dogs and four birds and a cat.

My name is Matthew Keats. I like my yard. It is big because a farmer used to live where I live. I like my stomp rocket. It only works in a big yard because if you did it in a short yard, it would land in another yard. My best friend lives next door to me. I can join soccer because I live close to the fields and live in Petersfield.

Hi, my name is Morgan King. I like where I live. I live in Clandeboye. I live close to one of my friends (about 2 miles away). My best friends' names are Katie and Andrew. I like my yard because I can ride my bike in my yard. I can play with my brothers. I have one pet and two brothers. Their names are Justin and Evan and Stanley. Stanley is a cat by the way.

Hi, my name is Dixie Kate Levasseur. I live in Clandeboye. I like it here because I live near a creek. We have 3 horses and 9 dogs. There is a big field in front of our house to ride horses out in the field.

Hi, my name is Eric Alex McEwen. I live in Netley. I like to live here because I can go biking in my big yard.

Hi, my name is Erin McKenzie. I like living in Petersfield. I can play with Tara. I have a big yard to ride my bike in. I am close to the school.

Hi, my name is Rena Masters. I like Clandeboye because it is fun. I live by my school. I like school because it is funny and fun. All my friends are there and my friends live in Netley or Petersfield, too. I have a big yard.

Hi, my name is Katie Mellof. I live in Clandeboye. I like living there because I'm close to school. I can ride my bike to my grandma and grandpa. I can visit my friends, too.

My name is Thomasina Peters. I live in Petersfield. I like to live there because I can go to play soccer. My mom can drive me to Brownies and school. I can play with my friends.

Hi, my name is Victoria Smith. I live in Clandeboye. I like my house because I live close to my friends houses. I like where I live because I can go bike riding to my friends. I like where I live because I am free to go for a walk and go across to

my friends. I like where I live because my friends house is 4 houses across the road.

Hi, my name is Kelly-Jo Sterzer. I live in Petersfield. I like to live there because I have horses. I like my friends. I like my school.

My name is Chad Taylor. I live in Petersfield. I like it because my friend lives there too. I can play with my friends.

Hello, my name is Tara Thiffeault. I like where I live because I live by Selkirk and my friend, Erin's house. I live close to school.

Hi, my name is Brindley Tomyk. I live in Petersfield. I like living there because I can swim in the creek. I have a lot of space to run around in.

Hi, my name is Stephanie Van Dorp. I live in Petersfield. I like to live there because I can walk to the store and buy stuff. I like to ride my bike with my Gramma to the store. I like to live there because I have a big yard.

My name is Steven Wade. I live in Clandeboye. I like it because I can ride my motorbike in my field. I go to Beavers.

Hi, my name is Amanda Wiebe. I live in Canada. I live near Selkirk. It is nice. It is a good place. It is fun. I like to ride bikes because there is lots of room.

William S. Patterson School Grade Three, 1998-1999

Nancy Fotheringham, teacher

The grade three class does an extensive study of our community as a part of our Social Studies curriculum. During our study, we conducted interviews with family members to find out what they liked about their community and how they might improve their community.

What we like about our Community:

I can go biking without too much traffic. – Chris Banman

In a small community, neighbours help each other out. – Linda Hemphill

Living by Netley Creek, you can enjoy fishing year round. – Tom Hemphill

I like the school. – Jocelyn Burgoyne

It's a very friendly place. – Terry Burgoyne

I like being out of the city and away from the heavy traffic. – Gary Alexander

There is very little crime. – James Carter

People help each other out. – Sheila Carter

It's quiet and friendly. – Jean Carter

Our community has a very good school. – Jana Charlo

Our community has a lot of young families. – Gail Charlo

Our community is a nice, quiet place. – Tom Charlo

There is a lot of room to play. – William Fawcett

I can go to Sunday school. – Miranda Fawcett

Everybody says hello to you. – Karen Fawcett

I like living in the country. – Chelsea Fielding

There is a lot of space to run around. – Carleigh Fielding

It's a quiet place to live and the people are friendly. – Vera Fielding

I like the community school. – Tamara Hendrickson

Everyone is very friendly. – Kayla Hendrickson

I like the kids in the community. – Erika Hendrickson

The community provides many of our needs. – Robert Holt

It is a friendly area. – Pearl Holt

People help keep the community clean. – Steven Holt

People get along with one another. – Tara Janisch

People are very friendly. – Kathy Janisch

You know everyone in the community. – Andy Janisch

I like the safe community. – Krista Johnson

The community is just the right size. – Karyn Johnson

I like the fact that it is a farming community. – Geoff Johnson

I like that you can visit all your friends. – Bailey Lavallee

We have a big yard. We have a strawberry garden. – Callie Lavallee

I like the small town and the quiet way of life. – Warren Lavallee

I like it when new people move into the community and you can make new friends. – Jennifer Mark

In Petersfield, there are places for people to go like the hall for the seniors to play cards and have dinners. – Rita Mark

There are a lot of playgrounds to play in. – Jessie Mark

In a small community, you get to know people more easily. – Grandma of James Pruden

I like the quiet of a small community. – Pamela Pruden

I like talking to my friends and neighbors at the store. – Pamela Pruden

The creeks are very scenic and we are close to the lake. – Granny of James Pruden

There is lots to do like fishing, hunting and bird watching. – James Pruden Robertson

I have nice friends to play with. – Kelsie Sanderson

It is friendly. – Alex Sanderson

It's a close knit community. – Tracy Sanderson

I like living on the water. – Kendall Tomyk

I like the curling club. – Donna Tomyk

I like knowing everyone. – Ken Tomyk

I like the school the most because lots of friends are there. – Jade Tucker

I like the school. – Jordyn Tucker

I like the friendly neighbors. – Dennis Tucker

How would we improve our community?

It would be nice to have a swimming pool. – Chris Banman

I would like to see more activities for the children, other than sports. – Linda Hemphill

I would like people to be more careful in the operation of water crafts. – Tom Hemphill

We need a McDonald's! – Jocelyn Burgoyne

We need a bigger restaurant. – Cindy Burgoyne

I would plant more trees and build a car wash. – Gary Alexander

We need a park. – James Carter

It would be nice to have a park for the children, away from the highway. – Sheila Carter

I think we should build an indoor rink. – Gord Carter

Our community needs to recycle more. – Jana Charlo

Our community needs a hospital. – Coryn Charlo

Our community needs more sports and activities for the kids. – Gladys Aime

If there was a small movie theatre, we wouldn't have to go very far to see a movie. – William Fawcett

I would like to have more friends to play with. – Miranda Fawcett

I would like to have a hockey team. – David Fawcett

We need a doctor's office. – Chelsea Fielding

We need lower taxes. – Rob Fielding

We shouldn't litter. – Vera Fielding

I would like pizza delivery. – Tamara Hendrickson

I would like a better road. – Kayla Hendrickson

I wish there was an ice cream man. – Erika Hendrickson

We need a nursing home for the elderly. – Robert Holt

I would set up more recreational activities for the children. – Pearl Holt

It is important to become involved in your community. – Mark Holt

We need a drugstore. – Tara Janisch

We need a swimming pool. – Kathy Janisch

We need a skating rink. – Andy Janisch

We need a hospital. – Krista Johnson

We need a library. – Karyn Johnson

We need an addition to our school. – Ingrid Johnson

We need to stop littering. – Bailey Lavallee

We need to start oiling the roads again. – Karen Lavallee

I like it just the way it is! – Warren Lavallee

I would pick up garbage at the park. – Jennifer Mark

Maybe we could build a roller blade area. – Gord Mark

I would help my neighbors when they need help. – Rita Mark

We need a community library. – Dad of James Pruden

We need a community Rec. Center for kids. – Pamela Pruden

More paved roads. – Uncle of James Pruden

More chances for children to take part in sports (track and field, swimming and other things that they wish). – Grandpa of James Pruden

We need a park where kids can play. – James Pruden Robertson

We need less noisy Seedoos on the creeks. – Mom of James Pruden

I would like people to get along with one another. – Kelsie Sanderson

I would like more community events. – Tracy Sanderson

I would plant more trees. – Art Sanderson

We need a supermarket. – Kendall Tomyk

We need lower taxes and more services like garbage pick up. – Donna Tomyk

We need a school in Petersfield. – Tanya Taylor

I would like a theatre. – Jade Tucker

I would like a pool. – Jordyn Tucker

I want a rink with a roof. – Dennis Tucker

William S. Patterson School

Grade Four, 1998-1999

Merv Haines, teacher

Fun on the Farm

by David Aime

Farming is not even close to what it used to be. Now there's all this hi-tech, fancy farm equipment, but it is still a lot of work living on a farm even with that equipment. My dad and I work on a hog farm. We have about 1,800 pigs. I like farming and working around our house. I especially like chasing pigs when they get out of their pens. We feed the pigs bread, grain, and food scraps. We get the bread from Natural Bakery. My grandpa gets the bread the owner doesn't want and brings it to our farm.

The Special Place

by Meagan Alexander

Wavey Creek is my favourite place to go in my spare time. You can see tons of wildlife like beavers, blue herons, fish and mink. It is one of the best places to fish. You can swim and go for boat rides all the way up to Breezy Point tower where you can go up the tower and read the Latin names of plants. For example; cattail - typha latifolia. My all time favorite thing to do at the creek is watch the wildlife and I hope it is not destroyed in the future.

For Fun

by Taras Cozac

I always go walking with my mom. Walking is fun because I talk about school and all the things I do in school. The places I go to: Vincent's house, Petersfield Store, Jaye's house and sometimes we go near Winnipeg Beach.

The One That Got Away

by Derek Grocholski

Fishing is one of my favorite sports. It's a really

fun thing. I walk through the field to get to Wavey Creek. My dad and I cooked the fish in our fire pit in the backyard. One time I went fishing, I caught such a big Jack fish that I could hardly reel it in and I saw it but it got off the line.

The Joy of Cooking

by Jillian Harris

For many years, a pastime I have enjoyed is cooking supper for the people I really love. Macaroni and cheese, I think, is the easiest thing to make. It was the first thing I learned to cook. Cookies, cakes, cupcakes and muffins, I always get compliments on how yummy they are. The first time, I ever baked one of these was five years ago, my mom and I were making fudge brownies and the telephone rang. My mom got up to answer it, and she left me to stir it. The chocolate chips were on the other side of the counter for the chocolate chip cookies we baked before our fudge brownies. I got off the chair I was standing on, and got the chocolate chips and dumped about half the rest of the chocolate chips in the recipe. My mom didn't find out until she ate one. From then on the recipe was called "Jill's Chocolate Chip Fudge Brownies". Try making your own recipes, don't buy frozen TV dinners.

At Lower Fort Garry Day Camp

by Cassie S. Harrison

In the year of 1998, I went to a camp called Lower Fort Garry Day Camp. We learned how to dye wool and make soup from scratch. When I was there, I got the feeling that the people got back then, the feeling of wearing those long dresses and walking instead of driving. As I was there, me and the other kids tried to act the way the people did back then as we went to pick berries and make bannock at the bake house.

Wavey Creek

by Brittany Holt

My favorite thing to do at home is go swimming in the Wavey Creek. We didn't have to build anything just jump in and cool off. I love the feeling of mud squishing between my toes. I go swimming with my brother all the time. We bring our pool noodles and beach balls and have lots of fun. One time, Tanya Taylor and I went swimming in our T-shirts and then went to Darren Stobies and had to ride home in towels.

Swimming Fun at the Beach

by Rebecca Hunnie

I like going swimming at Matlock Beach in the

summer with my family. Me and my sisters and cousins play either football or frisbee in the water and then we have lunch on the beach. After lunch, we went back into the water, then dried off.

Perfect Petersfield
by Michael Isboch

One thing that I like doing in Petersfield is going swimming in Netley creek. The one thing in my life that I would like to keep on doing is swimming. It's one of my favorite ways to relax. After swimming, I go walking on the trails that my next door neighbors, The Symco's let me have. I've got almost 20 trails attached. On some of the trails there are lots that I made stick by stick.

The Joy of Wavey Creek
by Andrew Johnson

Wavey creek is a fun place to go. You can go swimming, have a picnic or just watch the water go by. I, Andrew Johnson, had a fun time swimming in the creek and sitting in my tree house watching the water go by with all the beavers. Wavey Creek was a fun place to go.

A Part of my Hockey Year
by Gregory William Kargus

I really enjoy playing hockey. It's really fun. This year, we won the banner. It was hard work but fun. We started hockey in October and finished in March. Our last game which we played for the banner, we played Balmoral which was a hard team. At the last minute, we were tied two all and then there were twenty seconds left and we scored. We got pictures taken and everything. It was a fun and hard working season.

A Piece of Prairie
by Melissa Masters

There is a piece of prairie behind the bush by my house. The best part is the golden grass. It is the best spot for a picnic. So please don't mess it up.

Wonderful Wildlife!
by Mary McDonald

I like Clandeboye because there's so much wildlife. Almost every morning there's ducks in our creek (Wavey Creek). Sometimes, herons come and catch fish in our creek. Sometimes, there's deer but, not often. It's great for bird watching as long as you're quiet. Some evenings, my family take a walk down to the Ford Crossing. At the Ford Crossing once, me and my dad saw a huge turtle with big spikes on it's back. I think it's a great place for wildlife and, I hope it stays that way in the future.

Fishing
by Tyson Nordal

I enjoy fishing. I usually fish at Netley Creek. That's my favorite spot because I always catch jack fish and perch. Sometimes me and my grampa go camping and we cook the fish that we catch. We usually use a red devil lure. The most fish that we caught was 20 fish. That was only with a red devil. The biggest fish I ever caught was a Jack fish. It was just about up to my shoulders. It was so strong I could hardly reel it in.

Places in Petersfield
by Tanya Taylor

There are places in Petersfield that feel great to walk in. By my house, there is a bush my mom will not sell it because there is wild life in it and my brothers and I like to walk in it. When we walk in the bush, we see things like birds, rabbits, mice and all kinds of different animals. I can remember a time when I was in grade one, I found four baby bunnies. They were so cute. Another place in Petersfield is a marsh by Brittany Holt's house. It has really tall grass. We measured the grass and it is a metre high!

Helping on the Farm
by Vincent Van Dorp

Once in a while, I have to help my dad on his farm by holding the gate so he can scrape some of the manure out of the pen so he can put a bale of hay or straw. Before I have to hold the gate or keep the cows in, I get to drive my dad's new Kobata out of the shed because that's where the cows are. The Kobata is a new make from Japan and its one of the easiest tractors I have driven on my dad's farm and I hope he keeps it. When I have some time, I ride my bike to the old Gimli road so I can look at my dad's fields and look what my neighbors are doing.

Fun At The Creek
by Tyler Vitt

I like swimming and boat riding in the Netley creek. It runs right through Petersfield. My grandma owns a piece of property down near the creek. She has a little beach. Our property is right beside hers so I always go swimming or play in the sand. Sometimes, I go boat riding with friends or family. Once we had a barbecue on a big boat.

Swimming
by Evan Wilgosh

The one thing that I like to do in my spare time is swimming. Me and my sisters have mud wars and water log wars. We have lots of fun but I think that in 20 years, we won't be able to go swimming

because of the hog farms and people that dump their litter in the water.

Fishing

by Cody Williams

I like catch and release in the marshes of Petersfield and Clandeboye. I like to catch and release the fish that you catch so you can catch more and more fish every year and still the species will remain.

William S. Patterson **Grade Four A, 1998-1999**

Linda Breakey, teacher

How I Got My Dog Ace

by Heather Alexander

This is how I got my dog Ace. It was a Wednesday, after my music class. My teacher, Mrs. Jackson told my class (Courtney, Evan, Andrea and me) "someone dropped a pregnant dog on her doorstep". She showed us the puppies. They were cute!

The next week, we got a puppy. We named her Ace and that is how I got my dog Ace. She ate cat food for a while. Then she found our bean bag chair in a corner of our living room, so the bean bag chair became her bed. Now she is 3 years old and a very special dog to me.

My Best Day

by Gregory Anderson

I can remember the best day of my life. It was at Ruckers for my 10th birthday. I had my five best friends with me.

We played lots of games and almost everybody got a gift certificate. My mom gave us all at least sixty tokens to play games with. There were three games that I played a lot, there was the Basketball Bowl, House of the Dead, and the Coin Train. That was the best day of my life!

The Brothers

by Cody Badgley

One day when I was watching my brother Cristen ride our three wheeler on the road and the ditches were full of water and mud. Then he flipped our three wheeler into the ditch and he was all full of water and mud. Then he asked me for some clothes but I said "no". Then I pulled him in his wagon and the front axle fell off. Then I stopped after two miles and he was mad at me. So I said "sit down". I kicked it into gear and I told him to "sit down" again. I clicked it into second and pinned it and he flipped off the wagon.

How I Got My Cat

by Quentin Brine

I wanted a cat so, so bad. So my mom said "Ya, why not, let's get a cat." We went to my Grandpa's friend George. He had nine kittens. I picked one that looked like a tiger so I named him Tiger. He gets playful a lot of times. My cat is absolutely cute. My cat really wants attention. Now my cat is a grown up cat. He is turning 3 years old in June. Tiger isn't my little kitten anymore, but I will always think of him as one!

Memorable Moments

by Maria B. Brown

What was the worst day of your life? Mine was when I was about 7 years old and it was bed time. I was at my house and I put my pink PJ's on. I tried to change them but, they were stuck on me.

I went downstairs to ask my mom if she could help me get them off. She pulled and tugged but they wouldn't come off. Then I went to my dad, so he pulled and tugged but he couldn't get them off either. He said he had to cut my pink PJ's. So my dad cut them, then I went upstairs and got my kitty cat PJ's on.

That's how my worst day ended.

Not So Fun

by Gordon Church

Once I was inside the house, but I couldn't find my mom. So I went upstairs and downstairs, but I couldn't find her. Now I was scared. Then my sister came home from her friend's house and I said, "I can't find mom". Then she came to help me. I heard something so I went to investigate. The noise was coming from the living room and she was there so we went to eat.

Memorable Moments

by Mandy Croy

The happiest day of my life was a long time ago (2 years). I was still in bed when my dad came in yelling "come on".

I got out of bed because I knew it was something important. So I got dressed and followed dad outside and there in the pen was the mother horse with her new born baby. I was so happy! Would you have been happy? Well, I was. It took a lot of thinking to name him. Oh, by the way, it was a boy. Finally dad thought of Echo. He was gold color and very handsome. Now he turned two yesterday.

The Best Day of My Life

by Carleigh Fielding

I can remember the best day of my life. It was

when my family got a new dog. She was just a pup when we got her. She had a bright red ribbon around her neck. My Aunty Jen got her then, gave her to my dad to take home.

When my dad got home, my sisters and me were anxious to tell our mom that we got a new pet dog. My mom chose the name for her and in the morning she chose the name Belle.

How I Got My Cat Yoshi

by Devin Gagnon

I can remember the best day of my life. It's when I came home from school and my mom said, "I have a surprise for you". She took me into my room and covered my eyes and she held up a soft purring thing. That's how I got my cat, Yoshi. I had him for four years. My mom made me very happy. My mom went to the pet store and she picked up a cat and patted him for a bit. As my mom was going, the cat started crying and my mom felt sorry for him. My mom thought of buying him and my mom said "yes".

She brought it home and put my cat on my bed and my mom said that, "He just loves my bed". Every night he sleeps with me and he purrs and snores and licks me too. Every morning I feed him and give him water. He sure sleeps a lot. Sometimes, Yoshi gets a break away outside and I have to go running after him. One time when my dad went to work at night, he ran outside. The next day (Saturday), I went looking for him. When I was looking for Yoshi, Dustin came over so we went looking for him at the park and we were calling out his name, Yoshi.

After a few hours, my mom took us to look for Yoshi. As my mom was driving, me and Dustin were looking out the window to see if we can see Yoshi. We went back to my house and we went in my backyard and we went behind five big trees and we saw Yoshi up a tree. Yoshi was starting to come down. I got him and we went back into the house where my mom was and we yelled "we found Yoshi". I've missed Yoshi. I took him in and gave him lots of food and water. Me and Yoshi were so happy to see each other. The next day Yoshi jumped on me and started to purr. I scratched him behind the ears and underneath his chin. Then the door flew open and Dustin ran in and we played with Yoshi with a bouncy ball. He loves chasing it and he also loves to play with a piece of string. What was the best part of your life? Yoshi's colours are white, gray and black.

My Funniest Moment

by Heather Hailstone

The funniest day of my life is when I went for

my first boat ride and we went fishing. I caught a huge silver bass. I was so small, it pulled me right into the water. My dad jumped in to get me. He was yelling "Let go".

Finally, I let go and then I kept yelling and my dad was laughing. I was saying "help me", but the funny thing is that the water was only up to my knees. I have never gone fishing from that day on. I was in the Red River at the time and I was 4 years old and it was in the summer.

Memorable Moments

by Jamey Kerr

I can remember the funniest day of my life. Me and my brother were going knee boarding in Medicine Creek when my brother fell off. The boat got stuck in the weeds. He finally got it out.

On the second round when Darcy fell off, the motor stalled and the knee board was stuck in the mud at the bottom of the creek. Then a boat came along and towed us home.

My Best Friends and my Funniest Day of our Lives

by Jason Masters

One day when I was fishing, I let Gerry cast my rod. When he cast my rod, it went right into the water. Then I fished it out with his fishing rod. Later on, we made a mini dock. My brother wanted to move the dock, so he did, but when he moved it, he fell into the water about 5 times. We all laughed at him for a long time.

The Funniest Day of my Life

by Don McEwen

I can remember the funniest day of my life. It was when my cousin Danny hit a golf ball into my dad's truck. It went in the back of the truck and we could not find it because there was too much trash in it.

When we tried to find the golf ball, we couldn't find it in all the trash.

Memorable Moments

by Jonathon McFarlane

The funniest day of my life is when my dog tripped me. It was on a Saturday! We were playing ball. When I was going to get the ball, he tripped me!

The best day of my life was when we went to church! It was on a Sunday! The church was called the Church of the Rock. I had a great time. The church was awesome. We had fun, it was in Winnipeg. It was cool and I was with my dad.

My Cat

by Nicholas Niebel

My memorable moment is when I got my cat

Norman. I got him from Sandy and Jim Croy. It was a real surprise. I didn't know we were going to get a cat. My mom surprised us by hiding the three cats in a box in the trunk of our car. When we were going to my Gramma's, I thought I heard a meow, but I thought it couldn't be. Then we got to my Gramma's, my mom wrapped them up and gave the first one to my sister Heather for her birthday. She was so happy. Her cat's name is Missy.

After Heather opened her gift, I wished I had a cat, too. Then my mom came out and gave my sister Amanda and me a cat, too.

The Funniest Day of My Life

by Michelle Reigh

The funniest day of my life was when I was one year old. My mom was going to put me in my basket I used to sleep in. But I had grown that day and it was too small. The crib was in my sister's room. So she put me in there. But then my sister started crying "That my crib, not hers, mine".

So my dad had to take off his door and my sister's door, move the crib into his room and put both doors back. That's the funniest day of my life. What's yours?

The Happiest Day of my Life

by Luke Sterzer

I can remember the happiest day of my life. My mom said she was going to get some milk. I was at home with Cody. We waited for her to come home. Finally, she came.

We ran outside and asked her what took her so long. She pointed under the seat. Cody and I looked under the seat. We saw 2 puppies. We all named them. One was named Camren and the other was named Kacy.

My Cast

by Clay Wiebe

The best day in my life was when I was in a cast because I never had to do work. I slept on the couch and on the floor. I had surgery on my ankle and I still have a scar. Because I had a purple lump on my ankle, it was difficult to put my shoe on.

The Scariest Day that I can Remember

by Ryan Waterman

The scariest day that I can remember is when our family got stranded on our way to a fishing trip to Black Lake.

It was a Friday, I think. It was too hot outside. The jeep was getting so hot, I thought it was going to explode from all the heat.

The jeep was getting too hot, so we decided to

go for a walk. In the bush and on the road, we saw a lot of neat stuff. Some stuff like a Head snake on the road, a skull of a skunk that was in the bush.

When we came back, a person was there and then my dad told us that he was going to go with them to get help from Andy the manager of Black Lake Provincial Park.

Andy came and went far back down the road. When he came back he said, "we have been leaking oil for miles" so that's what was wrong - the jeep ran out of oil. Andy had a rope, so he pulled us. Days later, the jeep got fixed and we got home.

William S. Patterson School

Grade Five, 1998-1999

Herb Streich and Virginia Saunders, teachers

Clandeboye - small town

Home of a lot of people

I love Clandeboye.

Amanda

Clandeboye and Petersfield

Clandeboye and Petersfield are very nice places,

There are a lot of mysteries, so solve these cases,

There are jeeps, vans, cars and trucks,

In the pond are swimming ducks,

We go to WSP our very nice school,

School can be hard or weird,

I find it very cool!

By our school we have a store,

Bread, milk, treats and more,

You'll find beautiful things all around,

If you pick up garbage, we'll have a clean ground,

So, bye-bye, you've learned about today,

Why don't you come down here and find a place to stay?

Ashley Adam

Netley

Farmland and Combines

Then it is time for seeding

Then cultivate it.

Jason Bedard

Clandeboye

Living in Clandeboye is really fun,

Though the population is only 721.

I go to William S. Patterson School,

I only wish that I had a pool.

This village has a church, a hall and a skating rink,

And, like I said, 721 people (I think!)

So if you want to live in a nice quiet town,

Move to Clandeboye, it won't make you frown!!!

Jasmine Bracken

Petersfield

Peaceful, lovely
 Biking, running, walking
 Living here is fun
 Home.
 Terry Burgoyne

Clandeboye

My life started out in the boonies of Clandeboye,
 Manitoba on February 26, of 1988
 And every day when I get home, I walk through my
 front gate.
 I have a mom and a dad, I have a brother and sister,
 they are sad.
 My brother has a hearing aid and I am in the fifth
 grade.
 I usually wake up at 6:50 am.
 And my grandma baby sits me,
 She's a real gem.
 After school I have a snack,
 Then I go and play by the old shack.
 After that I do my homework,
 Then my parents get home from work.
 That's the end of my day
 Living in Clandeboye has started me on my way!!!
 Coryn Charlo

Colours

Red; ring on the curling rink, the blazing sun.
 Brown, grown wheat, the wishing well.
 Pink, flowers, my sisters bike.
 Green, algae on the creek. The lawn.
 Aaron Clifton

Colours

Yellow; sun, corn
 Blue; sky, creeks
 White; ice, clouds
 Orange; carrots, pumpkins.
 Blair Colles

Petersfield

Petersfield is the place I live
 Petersfield is the place where people give
 You walk and
 talk and grow a stalk!
 Petersfield
 is the
 place to live!
 Courtney Cozac

Colours

Yellow; like the dandelions that grow unwanted in
 the yard.
 White; like the snow that covers everything.

Green; like a frog sitting on a lilly pad in summer.
 Pink; like the western sky in Petersfield.
 Jaye Donohoe

Clandeboye

Wonderful, Peaceful
 Swimming, running, biking
 I love Clandeboye, Manitoba
 Country.
 Brooklyn Doty

Clandeboye

Small, friendly
 Shopping, farming, working
 I like the school
 Town.
 Kyle Douglas

Clandeboye

Clandeboye is the place I live,
 It's the place where people share and give,
 I think this life is really okay,
 So my family and I are going to stay.
 Jessie Frommelt

Clandeboye

Clandeboye is beautiful,
 Clandeboye is cool,
 I like Clandeboye
 Cause I have a creek as a pool.
 Trevor Grieve

Netley

Netley is a really neat place and there are no canni-
 bals
 But there are a lot of animals.
 There are marshes and wetlands and stuff
 And in the winter there are blizzards that are really
 tough.
 Although I think it's really rough and there is a lot
 of neat stuff,
 This town is really tough.
 With lots and lots to do and some things that are
 new,
 We have cows that moo.
 Can it be that there are too many things that I can
 name about this town?
 Yes, there are a lot of things, maybe there are too
 many things for one little town.
 The End.
 Catelynn Hermanson

Petersfield

Fun, nice
 Soccer, baseball, curling

Petersfield is a very cool town.
Justin Janisch

Petersfield

There are lots of fun sports to play.
I play them the whole stinkin day.
I'll never, never stop.
Only if I will drop.
I like it so I guess I'll stay.
Matthew Roy Jacobucci

Petersfield

Beautiful, sensational
Schooling, shopping, working
Living in the country
Home.
Evan King

Friends

I have this friend her name is Tourts
She only plays sports on tennis courts
And there's Jasmine who likes to play pool
Also Jessie who is oh-so very cool
There is Melissa who loves my cousin Mark
And Coryn who has a dog that barks
And those are the things about my best friends!
Stefanie McLay

Petersfield

Nice, peaceful
Curling, soccer, baseball
Petersfield is a very cool town.
Russell Penny

My Grade 5 Class

When I was five, I went to school,
I met some friends and they were cool.
First, there's Jessie who is nice,
And then there's Stef who's like Sporty Spice.
Matt is also very smart.
Blair's favorite Simpson is Bart.
Aaron and Kyle are very tall.
Jaye likes to play kick ball.
Jason really likes to curl.
Amanda is not a girlie girl.
Coryn is very good at art.
In Catelynn's lunch she always has a pop tart.
Russell is very funny.
Mark is my big, big honey.
Evan likes to play Nintendo,
Jasmine's nickname is Joe Joe Joe.
Ashley is a good writer.
And Dan is a good fighter.
Brooklyn likes to run run run!
Kelsey is a lot of fun.

Trevor is so smart he might grow up and be mayor.
Justin loves animals that's no doubt.
Mrs. Harris helps people all about.
Mr. Streich is a little tough on us.
If Miss Saunders sees you printing she will make a
fuss.
Last but not least there's Courtney my best friend.
Now, we have finally reached the end
And that's my grade 5 class!!!
Melissa Terry

At William S. Patterson School

William S. Patterson is fun!
We play soccer, baseball and floor hockey.
Kelsey Vrooman

Netley

Netley has a bingo hall
It is so much fun
Netley is where my friend's are.
Daniel Walker

William S. Patterson School Grade Six, 1998-1999

Natasha Penner Leoppky, teacher
"Legends and Myths"

"The Adventures of "The Quad Squad"

It was the spring of 1997, and the "Quad Squad" (Ian, Zach, Patrick and Jesse) were just getting out of school. Their brains aching from all the work their friendly teacher Ms. Penner Loeppky gave them. The school yard was blanketed in a thick layer of drifted snow. The "Quad Squad" ambled on to Zach's house. Ian, the big giant, took humongous steps that shook the ground. Zach, also known as by his classmates as Chris P. Bacon, flew along at incredible speeds making the wind currents change and a streak of electricity following behind him. Jesse ran on with his big fluctuating brain under his Dr. Suess hat. Finally, Patrick sat on Ian's shoulder since he was a little elf that was 2 feet tall.

The odd group went to Zach's and helped with his chores around the farm so they could all go play. Once his chores were finished, they started to run to the curling rink. They were about to cross the bridge over Wavey Creek when they noticed the creek rapidly rising towards the bridge. They finished crossing the bridge and ran down Wavey Creek Road towards Ian's house. As they came over the hill, they plunged straight into five feet deep water. They quickly had to pick up Patrick before he drowned. Jesse, the bright one, suggested that Zach run through the water as quick as he could to send the water rippling to the sides. He did as suggested,

except he washed out the houses on the road. They all quickly followed while there was no water. They retreated into the bush behind Ian's house.

"Okay! What the pumpnickel are we going to do now?" Jesse complained.

"Why don't you tell us brain boy!" Zach yelled back. Your genius plan made me wash out all the houses! Do you know how bad that will look on my resume!"

"Quiet!!!" Patrick screamed. "It doesn't matter. What really matters is how we are going to save Clandeboye!!!"

"He's right you two, stop quarrelling or I'll put a dent in your foreheads!" Ian agreed.

"Fine. Give me a minute and I'll devise an amazing brilliant plan." Jessie boasted.

After one minute and one second of thinking, Jesse explained, "By George!! I'm sure I've got it!"

"What? What did he get? I'm telling you it wasn't me! Really! Really!" Patrick said startled as he woke up.

"Okay! Here's the plan, there are five main places the water can rise. They are Wavey Creek, Netley Creek, Muckle's Creek, Medicine Creek and the Clandeboye Pits. We must block off all these spots from rising more than they already have.

"Easy to say...but how will we carry out this plan?" Zach questioned.

"Well...Zach you have to run to Ottawa and alert the Prime Minister of this state of emergency. Ian, you have to try and build temporary dams out of whatever you can get your hands on. Patrick, you have to swim in the small crevices, see where it is leaking and then plant the device I am making there. So, come on let's save Clandeboye!!" Jesse yelled in excitement.

Zach started out and the last trace of him we saw was the water flying up and a bunch of trees falling forward. Ian bounded away in large steps towards Netley Creek, which he would try to dam up first. Jesse ran to his horse and galloped to his lab with Patrick on the back of the horse. In two minutes Zach was outside the Parliament Buildings in Ottawa. He ran into the House of Commons yelling for the Prime Minister to come out. He ran to the door, kicked it in and stormed towards the Prime Minister. When the security came, he quickly brushed them aside then exclaimed. "Wake up!!! Southern Manitoba will be completely flooded in two days if you don't do something quick!!"

Shaken after being startled he replied, "Well...ummm, I'm about to send in the army right away."

During the same time, Ian started pulling up trees by the roots and placing them in a shape that

would dam the water. He grabbed some muck from the bottom of the creek and filled in the holes in between the logs. That was one, there were four more. He started to bound away to his next target, Wavey Creek.

Jesse and Patrick were scurrying around the lab making his contraptions. They made the five different ones hoping one of them wouldn't break. Patrick grabbed them, stuffed them in his backpack then took off to the Clandeboye Pits to start placing his contraption underwater.

Zach came zooming to Jesse's lab where he mentioned that the army was coming in two days.

"Two days is not quick enough!" Jesse yelled with rage. "We need them here today!!!"

Ian was damming Wavey creek near the snowmobile man, Jonathan's house. Ian was pulling mud and reeds out of the creek to make a dam. He quickly finished and ran towards the Clandeboye pits. Patrick found the Clandeboye Pits and took off the backpack filled with his contraptions. He dove in swiftly and started looking for the leak. As he was doing this, Ian arrived and started making his dam to stop the flow. Since he could, he put a top on the dam so more than half the pits were enclosed. Patrick found the hole and came to the surface for the contraption. He started to rise when he bonked his head on the top. His limp body started sinking towards the bottom of the pits. Zach and Jesse sped towards the pits to help Patrick with his contraptions. Zach noticed Patrick wasn't around so he zoomed towards the trees of the dam and burned a hole in the wood. He found Patrick at the bottom of the pits, so he dragged him out. Ian was approaching Medicine Creek where he would set up a dam. He rushed around and put it up as fast as lightning. He then bounded towards Muckle's Creek where he would finish his part of the plan. Zach put Patrick on his shoulder and flew to Netley Creek where he attached the contraption quickly before speeding off to Wavey Creek. Ian finished the last dam and took a well-needed rest. He took a drink, wiped his brow and strode off to find the rest of them. Jesse was sitting at the pits thinking over his calculations to make sure the plan would work. Zach and Patrick finished their part so quickly they beat Ian to the pits. They all gathered together and Jesse said he would turn on the switches. Jesse flipped the switch and the contraptions came to life within the still, tranquil water. They pulsed and bulged and sucked up all the water within the dams. They then went and collected the contraptions. They converged at the school just as the army arrived.

The colonel saluted and stated, "We came as quick as possible! Where is the flood!"