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## Weather



TODAY: CLOUDY

HIGH OF -9 LOW OF -12



TUESDAY: SNOW OR RAIN

HIGH OF 2 LOW OF -6



WEDNESDAY: 60% CHANCE OF FLURRIES

HIGH OF -4 LOW OF -16



THURSDAY: SUNNY



HIGH OF -12 LOW OF -14



FRIDAY: PERIODS OF SNOW

HIGH OF -3 LOW OF -8

## Holiday fun for Potton's Boys and Girls groups



THE SCOOP

## MABLE HASTINGS

ome thirty youth ages 5-12 from the Missisquoi North Volunteer Centre (CABMN) weekly Boys and Girls groups came together on Friday, December 15 to enjoy a Christmas celebration at the Youth Centre. Organized and animated by CABMN staff, Sarah Jersey and Deborah Dimitruk who were assisted by volunteers, the gathering was a joyous and festive one.

The event began with volunteers, Chris Lacroix and Linda Jersey in the kitchen flipping pancakes and the youth then enjoying the tasty treats as a special afternoon snack. This was followed by a Christmas Story that reminded the kids to be grateful and humble during the holiday season. As the story ended, the sound of sleigh bells filed the air and soon, the Big Man in Red appeared to hand out gifts to all. The children then sang carols as Santa departed to head to the North Pole to get ready for his upcoming big night.

The games began after Santa left and a buzz of excitement filled the air. First it was roll the dice and unwrap the gift as fast as fast can be and then, carolling with your mouth full of marshmallows and finally, the drawing of many prizes both big and small.

By events end, the animators, volunteers and the kids were nearing exhaustion! Wishes were exchanged for the best for the holiday season and by 5:30pm; the large room in the Youth Centre was quiet again.

"I really appreciate the time given by the volunteers," said Sarah Jersey who coordinates the two groups. "It takes a good group of helpers to make something like this run so smoothly and both Deborah and I are very grateful to have the support of the people here helping today."

Besides Linda and Chris, other volunteers included, Sheila Samborsky and

Blair Anderson as well as help provided by YC staff member, Eleanor Cote.

The Boys group meets weekly at the Centre on Thursdays after school to 4:30pm as does the Girls group that meets on Fridays during the same timeframe. The annual registration fee per youth to join either group is just \$10.00 per year. For more information contact the CABMN Youth Centre at 450-292-4886 or visit the CABMN website at www.cabmn.org





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