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## Weather



TODAY:  
MAINLY SUNNY

HIGH OF -12  
LOW OF -18



TUESDAY:  
A FEW FLURRIES

HIGH OF -3  
LOW OF -19



WEDNESDAY:  
A MIX OF SUN  
AND CLOUDS

HIGH OF -18  
LOW OF -25



THURSDAY:  
A MIX OF SUN  
AND CLOUDS

HIGH OF -10  
LOW OF -13



FRIDAY:  
FLURRIES

HIGH OF -5  
LOW OF -15

# Ken Jones respite program Christmas card fundraiser



## THE SCOOP MABLE HASTINGS

In November the Missisquoi North Volunteer Centre (CABMN) Ken Jones Respite committee in support of the Ken Jones Centre providing respite for caregivers and a weekly (Thursdays) social group for persons with physical and intellectual challenges began working on a special holiday fundraiser to raise much needed dollars to keep the program running as it has for over twenty years in Potton.

"The KJC clients worked with great enthusiasm to create the artwork," explained committee member, Fiona Campbell who took the helm in leading this endeavour. "They were extremely proud of the results and of the cards themselves that were purchased by many in the community and beyond," she added.

Cards sold for \$2.50 each or a variety pack with one of each of the cards was available for \$11.50. Cards were titled with Christmas themes and to the delight of many, added the perfect touch in wishing family, friends and neighbours the very best of the holiday season.

The gross amount raised with this initiative was \$1350 dollars and once the cost of cardstock, envelopes and printing was deducted, the net fundraiser was \$829.00!

"It is hard to determine the time that went into the project," said Campbell. "We can however extend our sincere appreciation to the CABMN staff for their help and support and the amazing committee volunteers and individuals who gave of their time at the Christmas Market as well as the KJC clients who worked on the cards, worked at the market sales table and



COURTESY OF FIONA CAMPBELL

the family and friends who helped to sell the cards," she said. "Without the many hands and hearts who gave time and those who purchased the cards, we would not have had such a wonderful fundraiser for such a great cause."

The Ken Jones Respite program meets every Thursdays (providing Covid directives permit) from 8:30am to 2:30pm. New clients who meet the criteria are always welcome and more information is available by calling the Youth and KJC Centre at 450-292-4886 where you can leave a message for a call back or by contact the CAB Main Office at 450-292-3114. Visit the website at: www.cabmn.org

The Ken Jones Respite committee made up of community volunteers meets monthly and welcomes monetary donations as well as those of both time and talents. To reach the committee

contact Chairperson, Sharon Fewtrell by calling the CAB main office.

"As a member of the committee who had the pleasure of dealing with many of those who purchased these beautiful works of art created by our clients, I must extend our sincere appreciation for the support, kindness and extremely positive feedback received," Campbell shared. "My husband and I have long supported the Ken Jones Centre and the Sunshine House residence where some of our clients live and in our many years involved, the community and extended community has been remarkably supportive," she concluded.

As for the Ken Jones Centre participants who did the artwork when asked about the project, one of them summed it up quite nicely pointing to the card he contributed... "I love it! I'm ready to do it again next year!"

## Ben by Daniel Shelton

