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Tall Ships to come to Pugwash for Canada Day Long Weekend



TALL SHIPS' NOVA SCOTIA 2017
Waterfront Development

Nova Scotians and visitors to the province will be able to see and board the tall ships when they visit in 2017, including Pugwash from June 30 to July 2.

Rendez-Vous 2017 Tall Ships Regatta is a 7,000-nautical mile transatlantic race, visiting six countries. Halifax is the final leg of the race back to France. Nova Scotia's sailing ambassador Bluenose II will also take part in various ports during the tall ships visit. Led by Sail Training International, hundreds of young people from around the world will benefit from this sail training experience.

Between late June and mid-August, tall ships will visit 11 ports around Nova Scotia including Lunenburg, Pictou, Sydney, St. Peter's, Louisbourg, Pugwash, Port Hawkesbury, Halifax, Shelburne, Digby and end with an evening sail past in Annapolis Basin, a first for Nova Scotia. Tall ships will visit ports across Canada, including Quebec City, to honour

the 150th anniversary of the Canadian Confederation in 2017.

Outport programs will highlight local food and wine, performers, businesses, artisans, history and culture to the thousands of visitors who will visit Nova Scotia.

Waterfront Development, on behalf of the Province of Nova Scotia, is working with the local communities, and partners such as Canadian Heritage, Parks Canada, CBC, and Taste of Nova Scotia. Visit my-waterfront.ca for more information.

From: Kelly Rose, Waterfront Development

How will the ships' visit fit into traditional July 1st and HarbourFest activities?
See page 7 for details.

Central Water Supply - Update

Water Main Crew #1 will be working on Murray Road from Route 6 and continue on Pleasure Cove Road installing water main.

- Water Main Crew #2 will be completing the section of water main between Durham Street and Palmerston Bridge. This crew will then follow Crew #1 installing water laterals on Murray Road and Pleasure Cove Road. If Crew #2 catches Crew #1, Crew #2 may move and work on Murray Road between Pleasure Cove Road and Pugwash River Road.
- Clean-up Crew #1 will be working their way back from Crowley Road, tidying up any loose ends through the village and following the water main crews as they work through Murray Road and Pleasure Cove Road to the connection at Pugwash River Road.
- Many water services have been predrilled ahead of the water main crews to the edge of the Transporta-

tion, Infrastructure & Renewal Right of Way to service your property. Of note, ahead of the lateral crew, a proposed location for your water service will be identified with a stake at the Transportation, Infrastructure & Renewal Right of Way, either Sam or Jack from WSP Engineering or a designated representative from Dexter Construction will contact you to discuss the final location for the water service to be installed that allows you to continue the service to your house at a later date. This activity will continue ahead of the water main crews.

- Reinstatement of streets will continue as pipe work becomes completed and the water main has been pretested with the placement of asphalt, shouldering and landscaping.
- Please note the Contractors work plans are subject to change depending on the availability of work force, the current work at hand and

location of the work. You may notice the number of crews fluctuating on a week by week basis on this project.

- Traffic control methods are submitted and reviewed by TIR and on this project and you will experience a "Stop and Go" system where you are "Stopped" and the flagger flips the sign to allow you to "Go".
- The coming months will see construction of the Water Treatment Plant, further well development and construction of the water storage reservoir.
- We are continuing to work on our water rate study and application to the Nova Scotia Utility Review Board. As part of this, we will determine the final Capital Charge that each property owner will be required to pay. We are certain that the capital charge will not exceed the \$5000 as previously mentioned.

From: Municipality of Cumberland County, WSP Engineering and Dexter Construction.

Multi-Purpose Centre Site Purchased



Photo: Lisa Betts

The Municipality of the County of Cumberland has announced that on September 19, 2016 it acquired the property located at 10182 Durham Street, Pugwash, to be used as the site for the proposed new Pugwash Library/Multipurpose Centre, which is part of the Pugwash Waterfront Development Improvement Concept.

The Municipality will be divesting the house located on the property by Public Tender. The purchaser will be required to remove the house from the property at their expense by 1st June 2017. Details of the Tender process can be found on the Municipality's website: www.cumberlandcounty.ns.ca. For additional information please contact Michelle Byers, Community Development Officer – 902-297-2765. **UPDATE: The deadline to tender a bid is extended to December 9th.**

The Multi-purpose Centre Action Team has been part of the team that has looked at eight potential sites over the past several years. This site became available and scored higher than any other site that the team had reviewed. It is with great excitement that the team see this project move ahead.

From: Michelle Byers/ Lisa Betts

Pugwash Residents receive the Sovereign's Medal for Volunteers

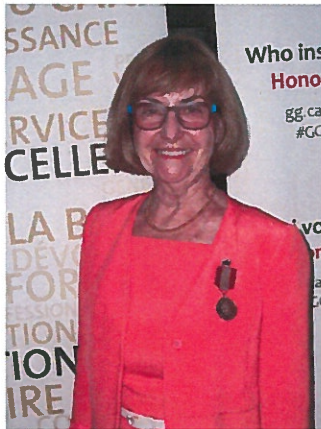


Photo: Mary Maron

Maureen Leahey was presented with the Sovereign's Medal at a ceremony at Pier 21 in Halifax in July by the Governor General. Maureen is president of the Pugwash Communities In Bloom, leading them to a national victory two years ago. Maureen dedicates many hours to this organization.

Mrs Leahey modestly shares the recognition with the rest of the CIB group in an email sent this summer "But the real work in CIB is not done by any one of us. Rather, we each contribute in so many different and important ways. For this reason, I think the recognition should be shared among all of us. Let's celebrate!"

From: Lisa Betts and John Eaton

Another recipient of this prestigious award is Teresa Kewachuk who has served as a volunteer at Thinkers Lodge as the onsite Manager and Director of Volunteer and Intern services for the facilities at this National Historic Site.



Photo: Jayden Menhennett

In these capacities, she is directly responsible for ensuring the preservation of this historic site and for developing and managing programs and events that both honor the legacy of Thinkers Lodge and provide local community service, engagement and education. Teresa has organized dances, lobster chowder feeds and music events, conferences and weddings.

A lesson from of Thinkers Lodge and the historic conference of 1957 is that "big things can happen in small places" and that "one person can make a difference." Teresa is making a difference in her community, in Nova Scotia Education and in the World Peace movement.



Tree Fest and Christmas Fun Invitation. Communities in Bloom (CIB) invites you, your family, and friends of all ages to come to the *Tree Fest, Saturday, December 3rd from 2-5 p.m.* at Pugwash District High School, 192 Church Street. Enjoy Christmas trees decorated by local businesses and organizations. Come for seasonal entertainment and refreshments. Vote for the People's Choice Award. **Free event! All welcome!** Food Bank donations welcome.

CIB Community Calendar. This calendar has Pugwash buzzing! In 2016 CIB decided to go in a new direction as a fund raiser by creating a community calendar. With the help of professional Pugwash photographer, Fred Horton, organizers wanted the focus on well-known faces in the community posed in a variety of familiar locations reflecting some of the businesses, environments and charac-

Communities in Bloom

“People, plants, & pride growing together”

From: Maureen Leahey

ter of the Pugwash area. The subjects pose in what appears to be their ‘altogether’. Pugwash is known for its high level of volunteerism, so it was not surprising when 27 people happily and bravely stepped up to the plate and offered to pose for this project. Everyone approached the shoots with great humour, patience, and creative suggestions, to maintain modesty while using some clever use of props. The calendar has proved to be an effective fund raiser, outstanding community-centred project, fun to create and a collector's item for the whole community. The Bank of Nova Scotia matched funds up to \$5,000 on this project.

Circle of Excellence. Pugwash CIB recently received a certificate indicating our standing in the national CIB Circle of Excellence. This honour continues to recognize our 2014 award as the best in the nation (population under 1000) and 5 Blooms.

Tree Planting. Pugwash now has the distinction of having all 42 species of native Nova Scotia trees! CIB planted 17 trees of diverse species on the Cyrus

Eaton Elementary School property this Fall. See www.pugwashvillage.com for complete Tree Inventory and map of village trees.

Harbourfront Peace Stones. Near the boardwalk, CIB designed and installed rocks with peace sayings by noted global figures. The aim is to expand the PeaceGround and encourage visitors and locals to think of peace as they walk through the village.

Winterscape. This year CIB decided to beautify the village for the winter. The Peace Wreath displayed on the west side of the train station facing the bridge was created by local artists Dianne Burnham and Rocky Irons. CIB decorated it with lights. CIB volunteers have hung the wreaths all along Palmerston Bridge, decorated the window boxes at the library, train station and Village Hall, designed the Cenotaph seasonal lighting, and created the Eaton Park display and wreaths. CIB hopes you enjoy the beauty. Wishing you a Merry Christmas!

Facebook. Please like Pugwash Communities in Bloom on Facebook! Come join our group 902-243-3454 or 902-257-2468. We are always keen to have new members.



Pugwash Area Health Care Facility Redevelopment Project - Update

Planning for a new health care facility in Pugwash continues and the Project Planning Committee is pleased to report that progress has been made in moving the capital project forward. Over the summer months, the Committee, comprised of the site manager, physician lead, zone executive director operations and other Nova Scotia Health Authority representatives, reviewed a wide range of information

including demographic, program and utilization data to ensure the facility meets the community's needs into the future. Their review was completed in early fall, was endorsed by the NSHA executive leadership and then submitted to the Department of Health and Wellness for consideration.

Staff from the province's Department of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal have now been assigned to

the project and are working with the Project Planning Committee. The next step will be to obtain architectural drawings that incorporate the updated plan.

As promised, every effort will be made to keep the community informed as the project moves forward.

From: Ann Keddy, Nova Scotia Health Authority



Our book , *The History of the Pugwash Estuary*, is in its final edit and should be available for purchase before Christmas. Check out on the website www.pugwashestuary.com for news as well as *the shop*. Email pugash.estuary@gmail.com Contact Betty Hodgson at 243-2476.

FOPE Christmas Gift Ideas

Choose from four limited edition signed prints (of sites in the Pugwash Estuary) created by noted Nova Scotia artist Tom Forrestall. Prints sell for \$300 each (unframed). Cards of these prints sell for \$10 a set.

One of a kind FOPE hats sell for \$20.



From: Alice Power

NORTH CUMBERLAND MEMORIAL HOSPITAL AUXILIARY

A request was received from Barbie Cook, Site Manager, for the purchase of an Alliance Full Body Patient Lift at the September meeting. The Auxiliary has agreed to cover the cost.

Four of members attended the Nova Scotia Association of Health Auxiliaries Convention and Annual General Meeting in Antigonish in October. Interesting presentations were heard from Natasha MacKinnon (Teacher i/c health matters) on Healthy Living for Elementary Students; Terri Connolly, (HRY programmes coordinator) on Healthy Relationships for Youth; and Tom Curry (Music Therapist)

on Better Health Through Art.

The NSAHA Statistics show volunteers donated 539,835 hours; donated \$1,228,157.50 for medical equipment; \$62,155.18 for non-medical (furnishings); \$57,360.57 to Community Projects; and \$49,096.40 to Bursaries/Scholarships.

The Thrift Shop will be closed for a period over the Christmas holidays. Our last day open will be Wednesday, December 21. We will reopen on Wednesday, January 4, 2017.

From: Faye Moore

Pugwash Village Hall
office hours
Winter Hours
Monday to Friday
9am to 1pm
(or by appointment)

Clerk Treasurer:
Lisa Betts
Phone: **902 243 2946**

e-mail:
villagecommission@pugwashvillage.com

124 Water Street
PO Box 220
Pugwash, NS
B0K 1L0

The Village Hall has space available for a variety of uses and meeting sizes. This is FREE to non-profit groups.

Please call the Clerk to book a time at:
902-243-2946

Nova Scotia

Community Access Program



Pugwash C@P Site and VIC

Winter Hours
Monday - Friday
10am to 1pm
closed Wednesdays

CLOSED
December 5th to April 3rd

Pugwash Village Hall
124 Water Street
902 243 2088



The Pugwash and Area Community Health Board (CHB) has been busy with a number of activities and guest speakers and presentations.

In September, Dianne Ardern, of the Alzheimer Society shared work with Board members about the work done around dementia. She spoke about the possibility of starting a dementia network and provided all present with an information package. Dementia cannot be cured; however, if caught early, it can be slowed down. Ms. Ardern shared some of the activities titled *Simple Pleasures* that are used with persons living with dementia. The purchase of these materials was achieved with the financial support of the CHBs in Cumberland County. For about sixty percent of their waking hours of residents in long term care are either bored, isolated or lonely. Simple Pleasures provide activities to engage and entertain residents. January is Alzheimer month.

In October, Dr. Graham Conrad, Pugwash dentist, and Natalie Ralston, dental hygienist, spoke to the Board about the oral health program for children provided through MSI. They shared oral health data, early intervention in schools and the levels of participation in oral health programs in the elementary schools in Cumberland County. Dr. Conrad indicated that only 49 % of children eligible for MSI dental health coverage utilized this service. This percentage has remained nearly the same in spite of increased promotion. The CHB is very interested in changing this situation. Ms. Ralston outlined the Grade Seven Oral Health Program. She also outlined the Fluoride Rinse Program; she noted that there is a some resistance to this Program. The CHB is following up on this presentation with the Nova Scotia Dental association and plans to prepare an information sheet on the advantages of fluoride rinsing.

During November the CHB participated in Coats for Cumberland with Empowering Beyond Barriers on November 16th. On November 22nd, the CHB hosted a public session on Personal Directives at Pugwash Ground Search and Rescue. A Personal Directive is a document prepared by a person which outlines who will look after their deci-

sions when they are no longer able to make them. The Directive also indicated the type of decisions the designated person can make. The CHB participated in the awarding of Wellness Grants to various local and county wide applicants. A public announcement will be made on December 13th.

The Pugwash and Area CHB is an active board and has had a full complement of 15 members. However, several changes are occurring. Three members have terms ending in December. Two other have resigned due to personal reasons and one other has been appointed to a provincial council which precluded her from being a CHB member. Some retiring members have been replace, but not all. We are now looking for new members. It is most desirable to have a diversity of members coming from a variety of backgrounds and who represent various age groups. Health affects everyone so we need members from all backgrounds. All you need is an interest in healthy lifestyles, so please contact Peter Lewis, chair, at 902-243-2075 or at lewisp@ns.sympatico.ca.

From: Peter Lewis



Shown in photo are Brian Gordon – Chair, NCCHF and Barbie Cook – NCMH Site Manager.

North Cumberland Community Health Foundation

NEW VITAL SIGNS MONITOR – North Cumberland Community Health Foundation recently purchased this new Vital Signs Monitor for North Cumberland Memorial Hospital, Primary Health Care/Collaborative Emergency Centre. The unit cost approximately \$4000.00 and is just one of the ways NCCHF supports health care in our area. NCCHF is very appreciative of generous support from many local sponsors/donors. Check out our new Facebook page to see more.



Friday December 2nd

- Basic Spirit Fine Craft Gallery * Holiday sale and Christmas cookies
- C@P site * extended hours to 4pm * refreshments and free internet
- Cut to the Chase * Giveaways, in store tax free sales
- F & D Service Station * Craft and bake sale 9am-8pm
- Fire Truck Rides * 5-7pm (from the old fire hall)
- GK Pizza * Get a 9" FREE garlic fingers with 16" pizza with the works
- Harrison's Building Supplies * For each purchase *Spin the Wheel* for a prize
- Horton Gallery * Open House. 20% off regular priced items, refreshments, open until 8 pm.
- Inn the Elms * Prime rib roast beef dinner, Yorkshire pudding etc – by reservation only
- KGB – Christmas treat bags
- Langille's Service Centre * draw and refreshments
- Monty's Used Clothing * No sales tax * Christmas store will be open.
- Nelly's Grill and Dairy Bar * Customer ballots for a prize will be drawn
- Northumberland Veterinary Services * Refreshments * 15% discount on selected retail items * Customer draw
- NSLC * in store samples for tasting
- O'Brien's PharmaChoice * In store specials, redeem Perks for a chance to win a 42" HDTV. 25% off winter Dawgs, Agiato leggings and novelty giftware
- Pugwash Co-Op * In store specials and customer draw
- Pugwash Greenhouse and Florist Shop * 15% off all items
- Pugwash Home Hardware * *Scratch and Save* tickets for savings up to 50% in store purchase
- Pugwash Library * 6 to 6:30pm* Children's puppet show
- Pugwash Library * 6 to 7:30pm* Open House * Refreshments
- Pugwash Post Office * Refreshments and draw
- Pugwash Train Station * 7pm* Lighting of the community Christmas tree
- Pugwash Village Hall * 4pm to 5:30pm* Santa Claus and Open House
- Rebecca Silver Spray * 1-8pm* Craft and bake sale
- Seagull Pewter * In store specials and draw
- Scotiabank * Refreshments



Saturday December 3rd

- Basic Spirit Fine Craft Gallery * In store specials and Christmas cookies
- Communities in Bloom: PDHS Tree Fest
- Cut to the Chase * Giveaways, in store tax free sales
- F & D Service Station * Craft and bake sale 9am-3pm
- GK Pizza * Get a 9" FREE garlic fingers with 16" pizza with the works.
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- North Cumberland Memorial Hospital Auxiliary Thrift Shop – door prize
- NSLC * in store samples for tasting
- O'Brien's PharmaChoice * In store specials, redeem Perks for a chance to win a 42" HDTV. 25% off winter Dawgs, Agiato leggings and novelty giftware
- Pugwash Co-Op * In store specials and customer draw 2-4pm Cookie decorating
- Pugwash Legion * 1pm * Special treats at the regular cribbage games
- Pugwash Greenhouse and Florist Shop * in store draw
- Pugwash Home Hardware * In store draw * Tax free day (live trees not included)
- Rebecca Silver Spray * 9am-2pm* Craft and bake sale
- Seagull Pewter * In store specials and draw



2017 Canada Day



Canada Day 2017 is set to be the biggest extravaganza of a weekend Pugwash has seen in decades - if ever!

Not only is it the Country's birthday, it is the 150th birthday! As part of the national festivities, Pugwash is one of 11 ports in Nova Scotia chosen to host some of the tall ships coming to eastern Canada as part of **Rendez-vous 2017**. We're not sure how many ships are coming yet, but they will certainly add to the celebrations of this extra long, special weekend festival.

The ships will arrive on (or maybe even before) Friday, June 30th which will kick off some of HarbourFest's regular events at the salt mine wharf. HarbourFest will also be overseeing vessel tours and entertainment in the Compound at the south wall of the Windsor Salt wharf. Tours will run all three days to ensure as many residents and visitors will have the opportunity to take in

these beautiful boats. The regular Gathering of the Clans and Canada Day events will go ahead as they usually do on the Saturday. HarbourFest events will fill out Sunday and perhaps even some of Monday, July 3rd.

Needless to say, it will be *all hands on deck*, so-to-speak, to our wonderful volunteers who regularly help out with these festivals. We will be on the lookout for additional help for this extra big festival. Word will be out in the next few months as to how to sign up and participate in this historic festival.

There will be one change in the Gathering of the Clans events. Due to the National Scot Dance competition date and location change to coincide with July 1st, the Pugwash Highland Dance competition will move to August 12th. This will only be the case for 2017.

Lisa Betts, GOC Coordinator
Wally Vaters, PHF Chair

Exciting times ahead for Pugwash which we believe will have all kinds of positive impact for the community. We are working cooperatively with our elected officials and many agencies of the province who will assist in coordinating a spectacular weekend long event, certain to be the largest in the region and a once in a lifetime milestone. It is early days yet with much to be discussed and planned. Be sure to watch out for further announcements to *get on board* with committees and preparations.

The first committee looking for helpers is for Robbie Burns Night Supper to be held at the curling club on January 21st.

Call the Village Hall (243 2946) or HarbourFest office (243 2275). Both events have facebook pages and websites, but may put together a joint Pugwash Canada 150 group just for 2017.

Winter Events

December

2nd	Christmas-by-the-sea
3rd	Christmas-by-the-sea
3rd	Christmas Concert (7th Day)
3rd	Happy Wally Days (Wallace)
8th	Country Christmas (Wallace)
8th	Heritage Fair (grades 8&9) PDHS
10th	Farmers Christmas Market
12th	Regular Village meeting
15th	CEES Christmas concerts
16/17th	Turkeyspiel (11)
18th	Christmas concert (Wallace)
21st	Christmas Cheer Day - CEES
25th	Christmas Day

January

1st	New Year's Levee (9)
9th	Regular Village meeting
20th	Family movie night (CEES)
21st	Burns Night Supper
29th	The Man Who Shot Liberty Valence (11)

February

4th	SMAC (9)
13th	Regular Village meeting
15th	Science Fair (grades 7-12) PDHS
26th	Johnny Cash food bank drive

All events are in Pugwash unless otherwise noted. More information, see page referenced in brackets.

Sport, Exercise & Dance Classes

Exercise

9:30 - 11am. Tuesdays. PDHS. \$5
9:30 - 11am. Fridays. PDHS. \$5

Badminton

8:30-10pm Tuesdays - PDHS. FREE

Zumba

6-8pm Tuesdays. PDHS

Ladies' Basketball

8-10pm Thursday. PDHS.

Walking Group

3:30pm Tuesdays CEES FREE
9:30am Thursdays CEES FREE

Pop-Ups

9am. Mondays CEES. FREE

For more details, check out the events calendar on the village website:
www.pugwashvillage.com/index.php/festivals-and-events/events-calendar



From: Denise Corey

Friday, December 2, 2016

Library Open House & Puppet Show

6:00-7:30pm

We're staying open just for you! Drop in for some free hot chocolate and holiday treats and see what's new at your library. Don't forget the Puppet Show from 6:00-6:30pm!

Wednesday, December 7, 2016

Deck the Halls with Pokémon

3:30-4:30pm

Grades P-6

T'is the season for a party! Celebrate the holidays early with Pokémon ornaments and games!

Space is limited - please call 902-243-3331 to register.

Holiday Hours

Closed December 24th -27th

For more information on library programs and services check our website:
www.cumberlandpubliclibraries.ca

Pugwash Library

Winter hours December- May

Monday: 11am - 4pm

Tuesday: 11am - 4pm

Wednesday: 2pm - 7pm

Thursday: 2pm - 7pm

Friday: noon - 5pm

Saturday: 10am - 1pm

Sunday: closed

Ph: 902 243 3331



Camp Pagweak – Asleep for the Winter but Not Idle!

From: Ruth Rushton

Soon a blanket of snow will be covering our camp and it will be asleep for the winter. But that doesn't mean that our Camp Council is idle and sleeping too – we are busy meeting each month preparing our camp program for another year!

There's a schedule to prepare, staff to be hired, a program to be developed – you name it! But it's all 'Good' and actually it's a lot of fun!

It's hard to believe that our camp has been a part of the Village of Pugwash for over 70 years – can you imagine how many children have come to camp during this period! A lot and everyone you meet seems to have a "Pagweak" story to tell. The camp that we called 'our little camp' is growing and this summer we were at capacity which is wonderful and it's not such a 'little camp' anymore.

We feel that every child should have the opportunity to come to camp – and that's our goal to try and give every child a wonderful camp experience of making lasting memories.

A big thank you to the people of Pugwash who support this camp in so many ways – to our churches, organizations and individuals – we are blessed to have your support! Thank you all for making a difference in the lives of so many children!

So stay tuned and follow our facebook page and our web page www.pagweak.org! Many camp photos have been posted!

Santa Sightings

Santa will be visiting Pugwash and area in the next couple of weeks before he has to go back to the North Pole to finish getting ready for Christmas Eve.

His elves told us that he will be at the Pugwash Village Hall on December 2nd (4-5:30pm), Wallace Country Christmas on December 8th (5pm-6:30pm) and CEES on December 21st in the afternoon.

Santa has been working hard to be sure he gets his lists up-to-date. Did you get your letter to Santa sent in yet? Send it before December 14th to: Santa Claus, North Pole, HOH OHO, Canada. Don't forget to include your return address so he can answer your letter!

One of the ways to keep track of Santa though December, but especially on Christmas Eve is to look for him online at <http://www.norad.mil/>



**Royal Canadian Legion,
Peace Branch 60**

Chase the Ace

1st and 3rd Saturday of the month
 Ticket sales: 3pm-5pm
 Draw: 5:15pm
 Ticket holder must be present for the draw to win.

Bingo - 7pm every Wednesday \$10/person

Cribbage

1pm every 1st and 3rd Saturday. \$20 per team.

New Year's Levee

January 1st 2017. 11am-1pm

New members are always welcome.

From: Ken Cameron

**Pugwash & District
Volunteer Fire Department
Toonie Draw**



The Pugwash Fire Department launched a new fundraiser to boost their income. The Toonie Draw is held each Wednesday evening at the fire department.

Toonie Boxes are located throughout the community at five businesses, including: O'Brien's PharmaChoice, Sheryl's Bakery, Home Hardware, Langille's Service Centre, F&D Esso and the Sunrise Bakery in Port Howe.

To enter the program, you first register your game number at one of the Toonie Box locations. That becomes your permanent number. Then, you place your number sticker on a townie and deposit it in the Toonie Box.

Each Wednesday the contents of the Toonie Boxes are taken to the fire department between 3 and 5 pm. The toonies with stickers are verified and a number is drawn from the registrations. If for some reason the Pugwash Fire Station is not available, the draw will be at the Pugwash Village Hall.

If you entered a toonie for that week, you split the pot with the fire department. However, if you did not enter a toonie in that draw, your half of the prize stays in the pot and is added to the next week's prize. You must play each week to be eligible for the prize. You can prepay for a number of weeks (see the rules at a Toonie Box location for details).

From: sixrivers.ca and Brent Wilson



**Season's Greetings
from Pugwash
Ground Search
and Rescue**



As of mid November there has not been a search call in 2016. This is good news, but does not mean we haven't been busy. In addition to providing traffic control at village events education is ongoing. Training modules and mock searches occur on a monthly basis. We are preparing for our third annual Storm the Mountain

Adventure Challenge (SMAC) 4th February 2017. All outdoor enthusiasts should watch for further information.

Pictured is the latest PGSAR remote rescue carrier or "litter". Thirteen members have been trained to transport injured persons more expediently from challenging locations.

From: Debbie Cameron



Our little village market has had an amazingly busy season for 2016. Thanks to all of the folks who came to visit us and supported the local makers and farmers. We had another successful season of fundraising and are now taking the steps to creating

permanent kiosks for the vendors. Our Christmas Market is all set for December 10th from 9 am until 1pm with all kinds of hand made quality local products and goodies for Christmas. Hope to see you there!

From: Jennifer Houghtaling, President

Open Hamper

The Open Hamper Food Bank is looking for volunteers to help serve clients once a week on Wednesday from 1pm to 3pm. We work in groups of three. With the current number of volunteers, you would probably only be working on shift every six weeks or less.

Anyone interested in helping with this worthy cause can call Verna Bower at 902-243-2331. Please leave a message if no one answers right away.

From: Verna Bower



FRIENDS OF THE MARGARET KING SCHOOL SOCIETY

Friends of the Margaret King School Society held an anniversary meeting early in October at the Village Hall commemorating the Grand Opening of the Margaret King School Memorial Park. Guest speaker, Councillor (now Warden) Allison Gillis, spoke of how pleased he was to represent the people, and to participate in rural communities with projects such as the Margaret King School Memorial Park in Pugwash Jct. A lovely lunch of pizza and cheesecake was provided by the society's president, Patricia Briggins. Sherman Williams presented a slide show of the official opening of the Park, which was held September 28th, 2015.

We are always looking for new members. You don't have to be connected with the Margaret King School to be a member, anybody that's interested in projects such as this are welcome to join.

We have a web site <http://www.sherm39.com/FMKS/main.html> complete with pictures and information. Our e-mail address is: friendsof-mks@gmail.com.

From: Gloria Jane Merlin

The West Pugwash Women's Institute had a very successful fundraiser this summer thanks to the businesses of Pugwash and Wallace. We are making a monetary donation to the Cyrus Eaton Elementary and the Wallace Elementary School Incentive Programs.

From: Dawn Forman

Cyrus Eaton Elementary Annual Christmas Market Wanted!

All of your unwanted, unneeded items of "gift giving quality"!

This is a great time of the year to re-gift those items that you have cherished in the past and no longer have the room for. Please remember children will be purchasing these items as gifts for their families. Please do not send inappropriate items, or items with inappropriate sayings.

Drop off your items to:
Cyrus Eaton Elementary School
by November 30th.

All proceeds from this annual event are for classroom resources. If you have any questions, please phone the school office at 902-243-3900.



**Mixed
Palette
Art Group**




Come and join us - it is a great way to spend Thursday mornings at the Pugwash Village Hall. There is much to learn and we have lots of laughs.

It Takes a Village Newsletter is generally published quarterly in March, June, September and December. The deadline for our next issue is **February 17th**. Maximum word count of 250. No ads. We reserve the right to edit for length and content. Submissions from non-profit groups only please. Photos or graphics will be used as space allows. The newsletter distribution covers the Village and all rural postal routes serviced by the Pugwash post office.

Send articles by email to: villagecommission@pugwashvillage.com

For more info call:
902 243 2946



Pugwash Pictures


January 14th - **The Man who Shot Liberty Valence**

Location: NCCC
Free popcorn and more Captain Pugwash episodes!

Entry by donation and proceeds donated to CARMA to help spay and neuter cats in Cumberland County. All are welcome!

Check out our facebook page
<http://www.facebook.com/Pugwash.Movies> for more details

From: Kirsteen Thomson





**NCCC is Pugwash and Area's
"Winter Place"**

From: **Hazel Felderhof**

Consider Northumberland Community Curling Club "Winter Place" for our community. Curling started with an Open House on the week of October 24 – 27. On October 31 league play began. Open League (any combination of male and female players per team) began Tuesday, Nov. 1 with 14 teams signed up. Wed. is Mixed League. Each team must have two male and two female players. Ten teams turned out for this evening of play and socializing. Thursday night is Ladies League and six teams filled out the 7:00 o'clock draw. Friday is Social Evening where individuals sign up on a weekly basis for an evening out. Sunday night Commercial League is on the ice again with six teams combatting for bragging rights. Once again our dedicated coaches are running programs for Sunset Community, Little Rocks and Juniors. Now

in its third year, the Monday night Learn to Curl program has been a popular innovation. This program introduces new curlers to the sport and has been very successful in recruiting new members. Again, thanks to the volunteer coaches.

The Opening Funspiel on Nov. 18/19 was a huge success as a kick-off for the season. Forty-eight players, both seasoned and newbies enjoyed the curling, sociability and delicious variety of soups and sweets. Our next funspiel is scheduled for Dec. 16/17. Reserve the dates. You may be the lucky winner of a turkey or a ham.

A sincere thank you is due to all who have made, and do make, our "Winter Place" happen.

Sport Pugwash will be holding a meeting at 6 pm Dec. 7th at the Pugwash Village Hall. All are welcome- both members and interested members of the public. The mandate of Sport Pugwash is to promote healthy outdoor activities in the Pugwash area. We currently have a well maintained ball field and race track, and lovely walking trails on our property on the Miller Road . Sports Pugwash is looking for new initiatives and hopes for your input and support.



From: Kirsteen Thomson

Pugwash Village Commissioners: Who are they?

Pugwash Village has five elected Commissioners who volunteer their time to help administer what is going on in YOUR Village. To be a Commissioner, you have to live within Village limits, a Canadian citizen and be willing to give up a little bit of time to work for the sake of *all* Village residents. Terms overlap thus elections are held every year for one or two positions.

Christie Blackie (902 243 3308) is the chair of the Commission. She lives on Queen Street. Christie runs a home based day care.

Dave Farley (902 243 3284) is past chair of the Village Commission. Dave is retired from Diversey-Lever Corporation.

Charles Gould (902 243 3493) lives on Durham Street and works for the NS Department of Natural Resources.

Bill Martin (902 614 3000) lives at Pleasure Cove. Bill is the Pugwash Baptist Church pastor and is the chaplain for the Pugwash Fire Department.

Carl Purdy (902 243 2124) is retired from the Canada Revenue Agency and now lives on King Street.

Pugwash Village Commission Meetings

Regular meetings are held on the second Monday of the month at 7pm. Come to the next meeting and find out what is going on in YOUR Village!

Meetings often include special presentations from local organizations and groups, the RCMP or Provincial representatives

If you would like to make a presentation, call the Clerk at 902 243 2946 or email villagecommission@pugwashvillage.com



**MLA,
Terry
Farrell**

The Amherst office is located at 10B Havelock St on the corner with Ratchford Street. The office is staffed daily. Deby White is the Cumberland North Constituency Assistant. You can reach us at 902-660-3144 or by email at terry.farrell@live.com.

We will be at the Pugwash Village Hall alternate Mondays or by appointment. Please call 902-660-3144

Solid waste pick up day in Pugwash and area is Tuesdays. It is an offence to dump household waste in Village bins.

Pugwash transfer station is open Tuesdays and Saturdays 8:30am to 4:30pm. It takes yard waste, construction and demolition waste, asphalt roofing and metal only.

No garbage, compost or recycling will be accepted at the transfer station.

Some Services Provided by the Village of Pugwash

The Village owns several properties, including Eaton Park and Stage, the Cenotaph, the old CN Train Station, Farmers Market buildings, Peace garden, tennis courts, car parks, boardwalk and the old fire hall. Care and maintenance of these various properties takes considerable time from full and part time staff. Many of these properties include extensive lawns and flower gardens which require care throughout the growing seasons.

Other properties and services include:

Library

The Pugwash Library is on the ground floor of the old train station. The library is the second busiest library branch in the County (after Amherst). The Village pays all bills and for janitorial with some financial assistance from the County.

Public Washrooms

The washrooms at the train station are seasonal and the ones at the Village Hall are available all year. These are accessible and include a baby change table.

Sidewalks

General care and maintenance, litter and snow removal of current sidewalks along Water Street and around the Cenotaph.

Street lights

Additional street lights are located at some village properties - for example at the basketball courts, the train station and municipal car park.

Gathering of the Clans

This large festival is coordinated by village staff. It is covered by the village insurance. Preparations for July 1st start in the fall.

Website

This website is maintained by village staff.

Newsletter

The quarterly village newsletter, It Takes a Village, is compiled, edited and published by village staff.

Visitor Information Centre (VIC)

The VIC is hosted at the Village Hall. The Village employs staff in the summer to assist looking after the travelling public.

C@P Site

This site is also hosted at the Village Hall. The Village looks after payroll of summer staff and supports the site in logistics.

Banners and planters

In partnership with Communities in Bloom, the village maintains these co-owned products.

Solid waste

The village owns garbage/recycling/compost bins at ten sites scattered throughout the village. These are emptied and maintained by village staff.

MP for Cumberland Colchester
Bill Casey
902 - 667-8679

MLA for Cumberland North
Terry Farrell
902 660 3144

Councilor for District 4
Warden Allison Gillis
902 243 3313

Next Regular Commission Meetings:

December 12th

January 9th

February 13th

Meetings start at
7pm

