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## Local committee and residents told at town hall meeting: new Pugwash hospital may be several years away



Photo: Lisa Betts

The North Cumberland Memorial Hospital is 50 years old and is badly in need of a replacement. The current facility has served the community well in the past. However, it is a split-level building with no elevator. There is no central air conditioning system. The washrooms are not wheelchair accessible. There is no ambulance bay which means transfers of patients must occur outside in all types of weather. Patient transfers from nearby East Cumberland Lodge, a long term care facility, must occur by ambulance even though the distance is only a few hundred metres. With these deficiencies, it is very difficult to recruit providers to Pugwash when they can look to other communities with more modern facilities in which to practice medicine. With its large senior population, this point is one of the greatest concerns for Pugwash area residents.

Citizens of the community have been waiting and listening through a series of announcements for a new facility for at least 10 years.

None have come to fruition. The Nova Scotia Health Authority has recently announced that it will not recommend a new facility for the fiscal year 2016-2017.

At the invitation of the ad hoc Committee for a New Health Care Facility for Pugwash; Janet Knox, CEO of the NS Health Authority and other representatives spoke to the community at a town hall presentation on March 1st to explain where this decision came from with the presentation "Planning for Health Services in Pugwash". About 200 people gathered at the High School cafeteria. After the presentations were made by Ms Knox and local health care providers, there was a lively question and answer session.

Ms Knox told the meeting that although there is no money in the Provincial budget for a new facility, there is \$1.5 million set aside for planning, design and architectural drawings for a new facility. Ms Knox told the meeting that this level of planning had not

### Pugwash Water Supply Open House

The Municipality of Cumberland and WSP Canada Inc. will be hosting an open house in the Village of Pugwash Thursday April 7, 2016 from 6-8pm. The venue is yet to be determined.

The purpose of this open house is to update the community on the design progress and provide the public with an opportunity to share local knowledge on the proposed pipeline routing. Further information for this event will be posted on our website: [www.cumberlandcounty.ns.ca](http://www.cumberlandcounty.ns.ca).

From: Justin Waugh-Cress, P.Eng. Director of Public Works/Municipal Engineer Municipality of Cumberland

### Swimming Lessons

The Village of Pugwash and Amherst YMCA are working together to make swimming lessons available again in Pugwash this coming summer. These will probably be at our beautiful Crescent Beach, at the end of Water Street. Get your name in early at the Village Office at 902.243.2946. More details will be posted when plans are complete.

### Busy Summer Expected At Thinkers Lodge

The 'season' at Thinkers Lodge National Historic site seems to get longer every year. If you check our online calendar you will find conferences in May and weddings in October.

There will be a memoir writing workshop with Marjorie Simmons on May 13th.

A Spring Peace Institute will be held May 26<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup>.

Nova Scotia Voice of Women offer the PeacemakeHERS camp from August 26 to 28<sup>th</sup>. The goal of PeacemakeHERS is to enhance leadership skills of young women in peace building. There will be opportunity for dialogue and creative processes to connect personal experience to the full spectrum of peace issues, using a feminist analysis of the societal basis of war and violence. Several women from last year's camp attended workshops at the United Nations this month.

We are happy to announce the return of our fundraising lottery,



where all proceeds go to the maintenance of the historic site. Last year the prize was two nights stay during Thanksgiving weekend; this year the prize will be two nights during Labour Day weekend. Tickets will be sold at Thinkers Lodge gift shop, beginning in June.

Plans for July 1st include hosting the sanctioned Pipe and Drum competitions on the grounds of Thinkers Lodge, lobster will be on the menu at the Lobster Factory in the afternoon and DJ Dave will providing music at our July 1<sup>st</sup> dance at the Lobster Factory after the fireworks.

For more information on any of these events, visit our Facebook page. More details on these events will become available as they are finalized.

From: Teresa Kewachuk,  
On-Site Manager

## North Shore Community Development Association

The North Shore Community Development Association (NSCDA), based in Tatamagouche, is embarking on a Tourism initiative to benefit our area. Their Tourism Committee is spearheading an exploratory project to determine if it makes sense to promote the our part of the North Shore as a collaborative and integrated destination to visitors. NSCDA has leased the multi-step toolkit developed by Destination Development expert, Roger Brooks International, to guide the process.

The group believes in strength in numbers and communities who work together to promote each other benefit more

than each community working alone to create visibility in a very cluttered travel market. The concept would see an umbrella brand created for our local area, anchored by, but not limited to, "Pugwash, Wallace, & Tatamagouche" will be defined by "like" strengths, products and experiences that appeal to a similar travel customer. With the recent announcement of the closing of the Central Nova Tourism Association, this is a timely endeavour. The Tourism Committee, an ad-hoc working group of interested community members from Pugwash and Tatamagouche area, has completed the first

phase of the project which includes a survey to gather public input regarding the areas strengths, assets and cache as a Tourism destination. We were happy to have received over 250 completed surveys and we are now tabulating the responses to help inform the foundation of a new brand.

Please feel free to contact Nancy Burgess-Graham, [nancy.graham@bellaliant.net](mailto:nancy.graham@bellaliant.net) for more information.

From: Nancy Burgess-Graham



## Communities in Bloom

### People, plants and pride.....growing together

Communities in Bloom continues to collaborate with the Village and various area groups to achieve meaningful goals and activities for Pugwash this spring and summer.

Springtime and cleanup go hand in hand. The annual Litter and Earth Day Cleanup will be April 23. Look for more information coming soon.

The annual CIB Plant, Shrub and Tree Sale will be held on May 14 in the Horton Gallery yard. Once again we hope to see many area gardeners who are looking for unique or common plants to fill their gardens.

CIB will host two educational seminars this spring. On May 12 Peter Duinker from Dalhousie University will continue to share his urban forestry expertise during another tree discussion at the Curling Club. He will also plant a red oak tree on village property.

On May 18 Michael Stuart from Fox Harb'r Golf Resort and Spa will present information about garden design and care at the Curling Club. Further information will be available closer to those dates.

When the snow clears and the weather becomes warmer, look for two new

dory boats on the Durham Street traffic triangle. These attractive dories will be filled with flowers and help provide a warm Maritime welcome to our community by the sea.

Communities in Bloom is an involved and evolving group of volunteers who are committed to growing the Pugwash community. If you are interested in being on our organizing committee or being a project helper, please call Mary at 902-257-2468 to learn how you can help.

From: Mary Maron

## Employment Opportunities for Summer Staff at the Village of Pugwash

**Visitor Information Centre/C@P Site Attendant:** Two full time and one part time positions are available, starting May 16th. Applicant must be able to handle questions from visitors and residents regarding a wide range of local events, attractions and businesses. Must be computer competent and able to help visitors with technical issues. Conversational French a definite asset. Centre will be open 7 days a week Victoria Day to Labour Day. 35 hours/week at \$11/hour.

**Groundskeeper:** Keep multiple Village owned properties mowed, clean and tidy. Includes maintaining flower beds and planters. Assist other Public Works staff when required. Will be required to work weekends. 35 hours/week at \$11/hour.

**Recreation Director:** Develop and provide recreational activities for residents and visitors of potentially all age groups. Indoor/outdoor activities. Hours and wage negotiable.

Send resumé and covering letter to the Village Clerk Treasurer, PO Box 220, Pugwash, NS B0K 1L0 or villagecommission@pugwashvillage.com by April 29th. For the C@P Site/VIC positions, please also send your application and letter to Daryl Fawcett at: dfawcett@ns.sympatico.ca

## Maritimer of the week

Congratulations to Pugwash area resident honoured on February 26th with the weekly award from CTV TV!

### Bert McWade

For his volunteer time in the community on a large number of events, including the Man in Black fundraiser for the Open Hamper food bank at the Pugwash Co-Op. Bert says he is happy to help out and keeping busy keeps him young.

"The more you slow down, you're getting close to the grave. So the busier you are, the better you are. I don't believe in retirement, I believe in changing jobs," says Bert.



From: CTV.ca website



On Saturday, February 27 the Friends of the Pugwash Estuary (FOPE) co-hosted, with Nature Conservancy Canada (NCC), a hike along the newly constructed trail just behind Estuary House at 2169 Crowley Road.

Approximately 30 people, some from the Pugwash area, but others from Halifax, Amherst and even New Brunswick, enjoyed the outing at their own pace. All returned to Estuary House to share opinions (all good) about the trail, as well as hot chocolate and other treats.

Then it was off to the Curling Club for the Annual General Meeting at 3 pm. A year in review power point brought people up to date on things accomplished in 2015 and plans for 2016. Guest speaker Kevin Ferdinand spoke about happenings in the eel fishing industry and fishing in general. One of the main points was that there is now some discussion about listing eels under the Species at Risk category. People can go in to [www.sararegistry.gc.ca/involved/](http://www.sararegistry.gc.ca/involved/)

consultation/default\_e.cfm to complete a survey.

Continuing the effort to understand the species and numbers of birds that frequent the area at different times of the year, the Christmas bird count occurred on January 3. Half dozen individuals hiked or drove, with key stops, from the harbour to Conns Mills and back. A total of 240 birds from 23 species were observed that day.

A new committee (loosely called Future Concepts) of FOPE has started to look at ideas having the potential of producing economic activity centered on the Estuary. The immediate idea being promoted is to create a continuous trail that would encircle the Estuary. Though still in very early stages, this committee has started to look at how this could be accomplished by connecting existing trails, as well as building new ones. Anyone wishing to become involved in this ambitious undertaking can contact John Caraberis.

From: Alice Power



### Pugwash Farmers' Market Gearing up for busy 2016 Season

**NEW This Year:** We will be kicking off spring with a "Mothers Day Market" at the Cyrus Eaton Elementary School, Saturday May 7<sup>th</sup>, 9am to noon.

Our first regular market day of the season at the Library grounds will be May 21, 8:30-1pm

#### FARM TO SCHOOL INITIATIVE

Jenn Houghtaling has been leading the charge on a new series of initiatives on behalf of the Farmers' Market with the Cyrus Eaton Elementary School to bring local food into their programming. These include:

- A "Local" Christmas Dinner was provided to everyone in the school before the holidays, including turkey, potatoes, and corn and carrots.

- local apples are now provided as a healthy snack for the students daily

- several cooking classes will be hosted after school during the next few months teaching the kids about what produce is available locally and why we should be helping our local farmers by buying locally.

- We are organizing a class field trip to a couple nearby farms to do tours and learn what it takes to be a farmer.

- Cyrus Eaton elementary is in the beginning stages creating a small orchard, community garden and pollinator garden project, partnering with several other community organizations and businesses. The students will be involved in the planting and gardening as much as possible.

From: Nancy Graham

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

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

e-mail: [villagecommission@pugwashvillage.com](mailto:villagecommission@pugwashvillage.com)

124 Water Street  
PO Box 220  
Pugwash, NS  
BOK 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

**April**  
Tuesday - Friday  
9am to noon

**May**  
Monday - Friday  
9am to noon

**Mid May to end August**  
Monday - Saturday  
9am to 6pm  
Friday - open until 8pm  
Sunday: 11am to 4pm

Pugwash Village Hall  
124 Water Street  
C@P site: 902 243 2088  
VIC: 902 243 3020



## Local Nurse Practitioner Speaks to the Pugwash and Area Community Health Board

From: Peter Lewis

Holly Refuse, Nurse Practitioner (NP), gave a well-received presentation to the Pugwash and Area Community Health Board (CHB), about recent trends in the role of nurse practitioner in Nova Scotia. CHB board members noted that the delivery of health care in the Pugwash area has been greatly enhanced by NPs and that residents are very appreciative of the care provided by NPs. There have been many changes in health care delivery in the Province since 2002 when there were only two nurse practitioners. Today there are about 130 NPs of three types practicing in the Province: pediatric/neonatal, acute care NPs and family of all ages NPs.



scribe medications, order and interpret laboratory and diagnostic tests including blood work, X-ray, CT, ultrasound and MRI. Some other roles central to NP care include: flu clinics, well baby clinics, numbers to know clinics, teen health clinics, long term care assessments, seniors' clinics and collaborative emergency centers.

A nurse practitioner is a registered nurse with an advanced education and an expanded scope of practice. NPs are required to complete an approved education program, meet entry-level competency requirements and pass an exam specific to their focus. Once their education is completed, NPs establish a collaborative practice relationship with a physician or group of physicians who will be available for consultation about client care.

There are seven NPs practicing in Cumberland County including two in Pugwash. These are Family of all Ages NPs in Primary Care. There are about 80 of this type of NP who usually practice in rural Nova Scotia. Pediatric/neonatal NPs practice at the IWK Hospital. Acute Care NPs are typically found in hospital settings and often specialize. These NPs practice in hematology, cardiology, geriatric and hypertension clinics mostly in HRM.

There have been recent changes in the role of an NP. Legislation changes in 2012 now enable an NP to sign a medical certificate of death. This is especially helpful for NPs in long term care and palliative care. Effective November 2014, NPs are able to prescribe controlled substances. To facilitate this change, NPs were required to complete an approved education program and training. As a result, NPs are in a better position to accommodate persons with acute pain, chronic pain, anxiety, ADHD or in palliative care. Effective march 2015, NPs are able to discharge patients from hospitals. This is particularly useful to NPs practicing in collaborative emergency centers, emergency rooms, inpatient units and day surgery.

NPs have the knowledge and skill to diagnose and treat acute and chronic illness. They can pre-



**The World Peace Tartan** was created to promote a global message of peace. The striking light blue in the design is representative of the presence, hope and potential of the United Nations. Scotland is represented at the heart of this enterprise through the purple and green of the Scottish thistle. The red and black in the design represent and remind us of the realities of war and violence and the great need for a new living culture of nonviolence with the white running through the pattern proving a counterbalance in being symbolic of peace and light.

From: <https://www.facebook.com/search/top/?q=world%20peace%20tartan>



## Get Your Tartan On!

2016 is the 65th Anniversary of the first Gathering of the Clans in Pugwash. To celebrate this milestone, the theme of the day, including the Canada Day Parade will be "Get Your Tartan On!". We look forward to seeing some real fun tartan themed floats this year!

In keeping with the Celtic theme, headliners for the evening will be award winning duo: Mary Jane Lamond and Wendy MacIsaac. Other entertainment will be announced as their bookings are confirmed

From 2016 Celtic Colours website:

Whether it's the mesmerizing Gaelic vocals of Mary Jane Lamond or the superb musicianship of fiddler Wendy MacIsaac, these ladies have been making their mark with traditional audiences worldwide for over two dec-



From: <http://www.maryjanewendy.com>

ades. Wendy MacIsaac is a high energy fiddler, piano player and step dancer from Creignish with three solo records to her credit. A favourite with traditional audiences everywhere, Wendy has toured all over the world as a solo performer and with The Rankins, Mary Jane Lamond, Ashley MacIsaac and Beòlach. Mary Jane's sharing of time-honoured Gaelic songs and stories has earned her numerous Juno and ECMA nominations, critical acclaim and a worldwide audience. Her five recordings create a respectful and beautiful framework for ancient Gaelic songs and her spellbinding performances make these selections truly come alive. Established tradition bearers, both Mary Jane and Wendy have been recognized internationally for their solo music careers and are skillful and enthusiastic teachers in high demand at festivals worldwide.

## Midway Carnivals

Did you know ... travelling carnivals such as the Midway that comes to Pugwash on July 1st is one of only two companies left in the Maritimes? As expenses go up along with safety standards, labour and transportation costs, the days of the travelling carnival could be coming to an end. It would be easy for Jack and Joan Adams to skip coming to Pugwash for July 1st, but they love it here so much, they make a point of being here annually. They bring the rides they can fit into the cramped space available to them behind Seitls' properties. We have looked at every alternative location to see if more rides could be made available, to no avail. So, enjoy the rides and games they bring for as long as they are able to come to share Canada Day with us.

**Important News:** The Pugwash Village Commission has agreed to subsidize the cost of advance Midway tickets. This will help local families with the costs of their little ones having the fun and enjoyment of the carnival!! Families can expect to save \$2-\$3 per sheet of tickets. Advance tickets will be on sale at local retailers through May and June.



**Fundraising Barbecues at the Pugwash Co-Op**  
Fridays: May 20th, June 10th and June 17th. Come and donate towards this great event for Pugwash and enjoy a sausage or burger. Many thanks to Scotiabank, who will match your donations dollar for dollar, to bring in even more funds!

**Advance wristband sales**  
Avoid the rush on July 1st - get your wristbands early at the Visitor Information Centre - open May 16th!



## ROBBIE BURNS NIGHT 2016

The third year of the revived Robbie Burns Supper was held at the Pugwash Curling Club to a sold out crowd of over 70 people. Inn the Elms catered the event with succulent roast beef, mash potato and turnip. To start was delicious cock-a-leekie soup and dessert was a decadent cranachen (fresh raspberries, oats, whipped cream and a hint of Whisky). The Haggis was piped in by Amherst piper Rob Campbell.

Thanks to the local retailers who donated items for them Silent Auction and donation from Inn the Elms. We look forward to next year's event.

From: Lisa Betts,  
GOC Coordinator

## HarbourFest - plans include new events along with favourites



It's hard to believe that 2016 Pugwash HarbourFest is just 4 months away. Over the fall and winter we have been planning and finding ways to continue the efforts to present a fun, family oriented festival to celebrate our waterfront, village, region and province.

A few things we are working on include a return of the very popular buskers; an on the water spectacle; return of the bathtub boat races; local and regional musical entertainment; the 5K race and much more!

Putting this all together takes committed volunteers- we would love to welcome more new members to our group and hope that you might consider joining us as we move forward to July 2016.

Along with this year's big event, we also have our eyes on 2017 and the proposed return of Tall Ships to Pugwash to mark Canada's 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

A few dates to mark in your calendar: On Tuesday, March 29<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm, at the Village Hall - we will be holding a meeting of CERDA (which is the parent organization of HarbourFest). Following will be our Pugwash HarbourFest Annual General Meeting, which will happen at 6:30pm and followed by a regular committee meeting.

On Saturday, April 30<sup>th</sup> - We'll be singing for our cause in a special fundraising concert to be held at NCCC: Lee Fleming and a group of talented musicians will take the stage for your entertainment with performances by many local supporters and artists. A very

special auction will also be part of the evening. Stay tuned for details and posters- coming shortly.

Please contact me directly to indicate your interest in attending and participating or if you have any questions regarding Pugwash HarbourFest. Call me at 902.297.2728 or by e-mail: [info@vatering.com](mailto:info@vatering.com)

Wally Vaters , HF Chair  
902.297.2728

### Spring Events

#### March

- 26th Prize draw, Pugwash Legion
- 26th Easter Dinner take-out
- 26th Pancake brunch, Malagash
- 27th Easter Sunday
- 28th Village Commission meeting
- 29th HarbourFest AGM
- 31st Tax Help at the Village Hall

#### April

- 2nd Cribbage, Pugwash Legion
- 2nd Pancake Supper (Collingwood)
- 3rd Pancake Supper (Wallace)
- 6th Tartan Day
- 9th 4H Communication Rally, PDHS
- 14th Pugwash Legion AGM
- 16th Cribbage, Pugwash Legion (p9)
- 18th Village Commission meeting
- 23rd Great Litter Challenge (p8)
- 28th Roast Beef supper take-out (p9)
- 30th Brunch, Pugwash Legion (p9)
- 30th Lee and Friends, NCCC (p7)

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

#### May

- 5th Purse Auction, CEES
- 7th Mother's Day Market, CEES
- 7th Cribbage, Pugwash Legion
- 11th Lyme Disease Day, CEES
- 12th Presentation: Urban forestry (p3)
- 13th Memoir writing workshop (p2)
- 14th Plant & Shrub Sale (p3)
- 16th VIC Opens
- 16th Village Commission meeting
- 18th Presentation: Garden Design (p3)
- 20th GOC BBQ at the Co-Op
- 21st Farmers' Market opening
- 21st Muscular Dystrophy Boot Drive (p9)
- 21st Duck Race, Wallace River
- 23rd Victoria Day
- 26th Spring Peace Institute (p2)

#### June

- 18th Pancake Breakfast (p9)
- 20th Village Commission meeting
- 22nd Prom
- 27th Brunch, Pugwash Legion (p9)
- 28th Graduation Day, PDHS
- 29th Promotion Day, PDHS
- 30th Fireworks - Wallace

### Sport, Exercise & Dance Classes

#### Walking in CEES Gym

Tuesdays and Thursdays  
9:30am to 10:30am. FREE!

#### Pilates

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

#### Badminton

8-10pm Tuesdays. PDHS. FREE

#### Zumba

6-8pm Tuesdays. PDHS

#### Dance Fitness

10-11am Wednesdays. CEES. FREE

#### Mindfulness

9:30 - 11am. Thursdays. PDHS

#### Ladies' Exercise

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

#### Pop-Ups

9am Friday. CEES. FREE

Dance/sport/exercise instructors - please call the Clerk with your class times at: 902 243 2946 to add your classes to this list.

For more details, check out [www.pugwashvillage.com/index.php/festivals-and-events/events-calendar](http://www.pugwashvillage.com/index.php/festivals-and-events/events-calendar)

See Page 8 for where to find other event listings



From: Denise Corey

### Pugwash Library Programs and Events

#### April programs

April 13th, 3:15-4:45pm - Minecraft in Real Life

(Grades P-6)

April 27th, 3:15-4:45pm - Lego

(Grades P-6)

Phone 902-243-3331 for information or to register. Find all our exciting programs on our Calendar of Events at [www.cumberlandpubliclibraries.ca](http://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

### The Great Pugwash Litter Challenge

Saturday April 23rd. Bring a pair of gloves, some warm clothes, stout footwear and maybe a change of socks (depending on the weather) and see who's team can pick the most litter!

Meet at the Chatterbox Café at 9am. Bags and pickers will be supplied. You can choose an area to be picked or have one chosen for you.

Sponsored by:  
Pugwash Communities in Bloom  
Village of Pugwash  
Municipality of Cumberland County

### Camp Pagweak – Counting the Days ‘til Spring!

From: Ruth Rushton

In just a few short months Camp Pagweak will be getting ready for business! Our first work day is scheduled for May 7<sup>th</sup> so you will no doubt see a lot of activity as we prepare to open the camp for the upcoming summer camping season! I can't wait!

Staffing is in full swing and plans are being made to hold interviews for the various positions. We still require Male Counsellors – both Jr. and Sr. so please spread the word! A Jr. Counsellor must be 15 years of age. It's a great place to spend the summer! Good food, good friends and a wonderful atmosphere full of children and youth! Don't miss out – if you are interested – please go to our web page – [www.pagweak.org](http://www.pagweak.org) and fill out the application. We're also on Facebook.

The first camp will start on July 3<sup>rd</sup> and our weekly camps run until August 19<sup>th</sup> with camps for all ages – from age 5 – 15. Many campers return year after year and some eventually become staff members as they love camp so much!

Camp Pagweak is a great place to hold a school outing, a family reunion, a wedding, you name it! We have lots to offer - a zip line, rock wall, kayaks, bikes and a great beach with the most beautiful sunsets in the whole world! We have something for everyone. Our Rental Committee would be happy to hear from you!

We are so excited to welcome Angela Trenholm back as our Camp Director and no one knows and loves children and youth better than Angela!

So please keep checking the camp web site for all our events! If you've never been to Camp Pagweak – please come on over and have a look! We would love to welcome you.

Come on over on our work days – May 7<sup>th</sup> or May 13<sup>th</sup> - it's a great opportunity to have a look around! We might even put you to work!

#### Other Local Event Calendars

##### Facebook

Things to Do in Pugwash (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/393779680831478/>)

##### Pugwash Baptist Church

<http://www.hopecentre.ca/Calendar.aspx>





PREPARING FOR THE 21<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY  
UN SE PRÉPARE POUR LE 21<sup>E</sup> SIÈCLE

**Royal Canadian Legion,  
Peace Branch 60**

**Gift Card and Scratch Ticket - Draw for winning tickets**

March 26th at 3pm

**AGM**

14th April at 7pm

**Brunch**

10am - 1pm. \$7(adults) \$3.50 (children).

30th April

**Bingo**

7pm every Wednesday

**Cribbage**

1pm every 1st and 3rd Saturday \$10 - until May 7th

New members are always welcome.

From: Maggie Stone

**Pugwash  
& District  
Volunteer Fire  
Department**



**April 28 - Roast Beef  
Take out Supper.**

Cost is \$10 per plate  
with pick up between  
4pm -6pm.

We also offer deliv-  
ery service in the vil-  
lage. Please Contact  
any firefighter for  
tickets.

**May 21 - Muscular  
Dystrophy Boot  
Drive**

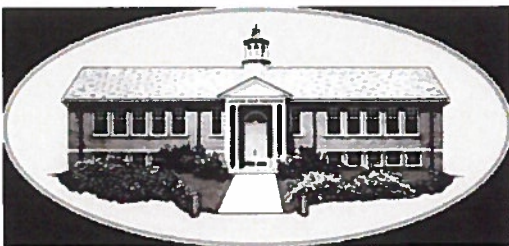
10am - 2pm Co-op &  
Home Hardware

**June 18 - Home  
Hardware Pancake  
Breakfast**

Time: 8am -11am  
Cost: Donation

**July 1 - Canada Day  
Pancake Breakfast**

Time: 7am - 9:30am  
Cost: Adults \$8.00 &  
Children 5 and under  
\$4.00



**FRIENDS OF THE MARGARET  
KING SCHOOL SOCIETY**

From: Fraser MacLeod

Now Spring is officially here, The Margaret King School Memorial Park will once again soon blossom into the natural beauty of the flowers, shrubs and green grass that adorns this little plot of land at 6141 Thomson Road, at the corner of Thomson Road and Pugwash Jct Road in Pugwash Jct.

Although the park sits dormant at the moment, the Society is busy preparing for another year of activity. It is mem-

bership renewal time and we encourage all interested in the preservation of the Margaret King School memory, to become members or renew past memberships – these funds help with the ongoing costs of maintaining the Memorial park, as work continues on the development of a plan for perpetual care of the grounds. The search also continues to discover new artifacts and memorabilia to add to our existing inventory, as well as plans on how to document, protect

and display these items for alumni and friends. We do currently have items on display at the North Cumberland Historical Society, upstairs in the Pugwash library building.

We have a web site <http://www.sherm39.com/FMKS/main.html> complete with pictures and information.

For more information, our e-mail address is: [friendsofknks@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofknks@gmail.com)



## Sunset Industries - dOpen House

As part of Sunset's winter carnival festivities, Sunset Industries held an open house on March 4th. Pictured below is Robert Ripley, Donald Richards, MLA Terry Farrell and Stephen Card.

From: Randy Thompson, Sunset Industries Manager



Photo courtesy of: Terry Farrell

## Church Services Through Holy Week

## Easter Church Services in Pugwash

Easter celebrations will be very different this year, as the Churches of Pugwash are cooperating in a number of events and special services for Holy Week.

Special services will be held on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Saturday, all beginning at 7 pm. Each church will host a service, but in each case, a guest speaker will present the Easter message. The theme of these special services will revolve around what Jesus spoke from the cross.

Tuesday, the churches gathered at Wesley Saint Matthews United, to hear the Anglican priest, Rev. Nicole Uzans.

Wednesday, Pastor Bill Martin of the Baptist Church addressed the gathering at St. George's Anglican Church.

On Saturday everyone is invited to Pugwash Memorial Baptist when Rev. Meggin King of the United Church will deliver the Easter message.

Traditional services will be offered in some community churches for Maundy Thursday and Good Friday.

Rev. King will conduct an Easter sunrise service in Eaton Park at 7 am. Everyone is then invited to The Meeting Place for a casual breakfast followed by praise and worship in song.

A message of the cross will be the focus in the Saturday worship at the Adventist Church, while traditional Easter Sunday Services will be held in each of the other five community churches.

This is all part of the new cooperative effort of the Churches of Pugwash, as all six of the village's churches seek ways to effectively serve our community. While each has its individual approach, there are many ways in which the churches can work together.

From: Pastor Bill Martin

Date - Time	Event	Location	Special Speaker
March 20 - various	Palm Sunday Service	Various	
March 22 - 7 pm	Special Service	Pugwash United	Rev. Nicole Uzans
March 23 - 7 pm	Special Service	Pugwash Anglican	Pastor Bill Martin
March 24 - various	Maundy Thursday	Various	
March 25 - various	Good Friday	Various	
March 26 - 11 am	Worship Service	Seventh-Day Adventist	
March 26 - 7 pm	Special Service	Pugwash Baptist	Rev. Meggin King
March 27 - 7 am	Easter Sunrise Service	Eaton Park	
March 27 - 7:45 am	Breakfast & Praise	The Meeting Place	
March 27 - various	Easter Worship Service	Various	

## Mixed Palette Art Group



The Mixed Palette Art Group meets at the Pugwash Village Hall every Thursday from 9:30am to 1pm. We paint, chat and learn from each other.

We paint enough paintings through the year to have a ten day Art Sale in August at the Village Hall.

New members are always welcome. Just drop by the Village Hall on a Thursday or contact Heather Cunningham at 902-243-2380.

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## Pugwash Hospital to be studied again

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been done before and that it was important to have the right information to put together a custom made plan for Pugwash for now and several years into the future so that when it is presented to the Province, it will be accurate

The Ad hoc Committee for a New Health Care Facility for Pugwash continues to meet Nova Scotia Health Authority staff to re-develop the plans for a new health care facility and will do so over the spring and summer months. The Health Authority is currently developing provincial plans around major services such as palliative care, mental health and addictions as well as others. The Pugwash plan needs to be re-developed to take into account our needs in the community here and to con-

sider the provincial plans. We need a tight, well organized plan that is evidence based that the Health Authority can take to Government. The goal is to have this process completed in time for consideration and, thinking positively, for inclusion in the 2017-18 fiscal year. Some themes under consideration are: primary care, continuing care, mental health and addictions, palliative care, collaborative emergency centre trends, chronic disease and emergency health services. The Ad hoc Committee is committed to developing the best plan possible for a new facility for Pugwash at the earliest possible date.

From :Peter Lewis, co-chair ad hoc Committee for a New Health Care Facility for Pugwash

## Recognizing Volunteers



April is National and Provincial volunteer recognition month. Here is a list of the volunteers that have made contributions over the last year to those who live and work at the Sunset Community. The list is long : members of Sunset Community Auxiliary, Pugwash Ground Search and Rescue, many church families and pastors, North Cumberland Curling Club, Pugwash Fire department, Bay Vista Conns Mills 4H Club, local UCW members, RCMP members, our schools and community colleges and many students. The list grew to over 100! Wow, in such a tiny community and to be surrounded by so many caring, talented, giving people so willing to take their time, talents and resources to help their neighbour. Then there are the individuals who have helped us learn to cook or draw or curl, gave a drive to special Olympics or shopping, helped set up facebook site to get connected with family - the list goes on .

We can never lose sight of the great communities that we live and work in and how blessed we really are. Watching the news can put it all in perspective as we watch so many people carrying their children, seeking a safe haven somewhere to call home, some where safe to

raise their families and thousands of millions throughout this world living in tents, cities of tents in so many countries. We are the blessed most certainly.

I have been very fortunate to have worked in this amazing community for almost 30 years now and to see how individuals of all ages and backgrounds come together to make a difference, to create, to save, to build, to support, to restore, to plant, to organize, to help. It has been a great journey and I am very fortunate to work where the people make a difference, where the culture is one of respect and kindness, and quality engagement is our daily goal. Giving is such a wonderful feeling and the blessings are in the smiles and the excitement that one sees in the eyes one you has just experience great joy. But here is the best part, those that give of their time and talents almost always say, but I got so much more than I ever gave, the joy that I have received from giving is indescribable, thank you Volunteers! You always make all the difference!

From: Bonnie Langille, Manager of Life Styles and Volunteers, Sunset Community

## Pugwash Village Commission Meetings

Regular meetings are generally on the third 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](mailto:villagecommission@pugwashvillage.com)

## 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 time to work for the sake of *all* Village residents. Elections are held every year for one or two positions that are for three years.

**Florence Batiot** (1 902 579 3157) Retired and now living on Russell Street. Florence is our newest commissioner.

**Christie Blackie** (902 243 3308) works at Scotiabank in Oxford. Christie returned to Pugwash 7 years ago and hosts international exchange students.

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

**Roger Mundle - Vice Chair** (902 243 2042) lives on Water Street and is semi-retired as a truck driver. Roger delivered furnace oil in this area for 28 years.

### Did you Know ....

The Pugwash train station is one of two remaining station buildings left in Nova Scotia from a set of six designed by Sandford Fleming? It is built of solid, planked lumber in order to withstand the vibration of train traffic. The bricks, probably from the Pugwash brickyard, were added as a wall covering after the structure was built..



### 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](mailto:terry.farrell@live.com).

For the next few months we will be at the Pugwash Village Hall by appointment. Please call 902-660-3144

### Next Regular Meetings:

**March 28th**  
(moved from March 21st due to snow storm)  
**April 18th**  
**May 16th**  
**June 20th**

Archived *It Takes a Village* newsletters going back to 2006 can be found on the Village website at:

<http://pugwashvillage.com/index.php/government/village-of-pugwash/it-takes-a-village>

Solid Waste pick up in Pugwash and area is Tuesdays.

Garbage and recycling should be in clear bags. One privacy bag (grocery bag sized) is allowed per bag of garbage.

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