

Pugwash Village Commission Meetings

Regular meetings are 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 243 2946 or email villagecommission@pugwashvillage.com

MP for Cumberland Colchester
Musquodoboit Valley
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Next Regular Meetings

December 17th
January 21st
February 18th

MLA for Cumberland North
Brian Skabar
667 9812

Councillor for District 4
Allison Gillis
243 3313

Councillor Allison Gillis

I would like to extend best wishes to everyone for a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Pugwash Library Winter hours

Monday 11am – 4pm
Tuesday 11am – 4pm
Wednesday 2pm – 7pm
Thursday 2pm – 7pm
Friday noon – 5pm
Saturday 10am – 1pm
Sunday – closed

Ph: 243 3331

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 and be willing to give up time to work for the sake of all Village residents. Elections are held every June for one or two positions that are for three years.

Dave Farley (243 3284) is the Commission chair and a member of many organizations including the Cumberland Health Authority.

Rod Benjamin (243 3629) is the Commission vice chair. Rod lives on Water Street and is also a lay reader for the Anglican church.

Jim Whitman lives on Queen Street (243 3647). Jim is the Harbour Master for Pugwash Harbour.

Linda Langille (243 2669) lives on Russell Street and an active defender for animal rights.

Chris Mullaley (243 2276) lives off Pugwash Point Road. Chris is retired as a teacher and past PDHS principal.

Solid Waste Rule Changes

Pick-up day is now Tuesdays for everyone. Garbage and compost are picked up alternate weeks with recycling picked up the other Tuesday. ONE non-clear "privacy bag" per clear, non-coloured bag of residential garbage is permitted. Multiple non-clear bags such as solid colour kitchen catchers or grocery bags will no longer be accepted.

It is an offence to either dump household garbage in Village public solid waste receptacles or to remove refundables from them. Refundable containers are redeemed and the funds go to local charities.

For more information call 667 5141 or go to: www.cumberlandcounty.ns.ca/solid-waste.html

DOG OWNERS

When walking your dog, please remember to take a bag (or two) with you to pick up your pet's waste. Dogs must be kept under control at all times. Thank you for helping us keep our park and streets clean and healthy for everyone!

MLA Brian Skabar

As the hustle of the holiday season descends upon us, remember that shopping locally and buying Nova Scotia products is an investment in our community and our province. I hope you have a safe and happy holiday season.

Brian Skabar, MLA for Cumberland North

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Visit the Pugwash Village website at www.pugwashvillage.com
Listings include local businesses and contacts, history of the Village and an Events page.

Find the Village of Pugwash on Facebook!



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Three Pugwash and Area Residents Receive the Queen's Diamond Jubilee medal



Left to right: Margaret Jamison, Alex Parker, Dennice Leahey

Margaret Jamison was recognised for her long standing volunteer work within the community, not least her work with the North Cumberland Memorial Hospital Auxiliary and the Gathering of the Clans.

Alex Parker was recognised for his initiative in organizing the vote for Pugwash in the TSN Kraft Celebration Tour competition. Alex and his family rallied support from across the globe to secure the win for Pugwash, bringing this little Village national and international attention.

Each Member of Parliament was designated 30 diamond jubilee medals to present to individuals who have made significant contributions to their communities, province, country, or internationally. Medals were produced to commemorate the 60th anniversary of Queen Elizabeth II's ascension to the throne.

The medals were presented at a special ceremony on Sunday, November 25th at Fox Harb'r Resort.

Dennice Leahey was presented the award by virtue of already being a holder of the Order of Canada. This award was presented to Dennice in 2005 for her work to show "how corporate leaders can positively impact the voluntary sector". Dennice mentored volunteers throughout Canada, particularly women in the banking industry and actively promoted business and civic endeavours in Aboriginal communities.

Christmas-by-the-Sea

The Village of Pugwash and Pugwash and Area Chamber of Commerce have been working together to organize a re-vamped version of Christmas –by-the-Sea which will be this Friday and Saturday (December 7th and 8th).

Santa will be in town for the official lighting of the Village Christmas tree outside the old train station. Inside the station, at the Pugwash Library, will be a puppet show and Open House.

Every store in the Village has specials on. Some have draws, prizes, giveaways and refreshments and a few are staying open late on Friday. There is a LED holiday light exchange at the Village Hall during its Open House. Many stores are extending their specials to Saturday .

There is no need to go hungry with chowder at the curling club on Friday and chilli at Inn the Elms on Saturday. Communities in Bloom is hosting "Home for the Holidays" on Saturday. The High School will be busy with a senior boys basketball tournament Friday and Saturday. The Farmers Market will be at PDHS throughout Saturday morning.

More details are to be found in the centre pages of this newsletter and within some of the articles printed here. Happy Holidays!!

Go to pages 6 and 7 for a full listing of events



Multi Purpose Centre

Elaine Graham Cook

The Multipurpose Community Centre's Action Committee is moving forward and in the planning of the building. The committee has chosen WHWarchitects for the Conceptual Design and Business/Management model.

The chosen site for the Centre is next to the old train station. The committee is looking forward to helping the consultants achieve an accessible, modern design that reinforces the train station aesthetics and character. The project will include restoration and adaptive reuse of the existing train station building. The Multipurpose Community Centre will provide an attractive visual image from the street and when approaching the village from the bridge.

The Multipurpose Centre will provide space for a new library, a much needed meeting room with modern presentation equipment and acoustics, the CAP Site, classes such as Pilates, yoga and non-ball playing sports. It will provide space for the popular Farmers Market and North Cumberland Historical Society.

WATER SUPPLY INVESTIGATION

Ron Patterson

Further to the water quality testing work carried out last winter by CBCL Ltd on private wells in the Village, the Municipality of Cumberland have been working on the development of a central water supply for Pugwash. An open house was held on June 19th at which time capital and operating costs were presented. The vast majority of those attending the open house were in favour of proceeding with the development of the central water supply.

This fall the Municipality selected Dillon Consulting to carry out a groundwater supply investigation to identify a water source that has sufficient quality and quantity to meet the needs of the Village while being in an area that can be protected from current and future pollution sources. The Municipality is currently in the process of selecting a drilling contractor to carry out this work.

Our work plan is to begin test drilling in January once the ground is frozen. Once a groundwater source has been identified a preliminary design will be carried and application will be made to the Federal /Provincial Infrastructure Program for funding to provide the infrastructure necessary to deliver drinking water to ratepayers in the village. This phase could take 2-3 years to complete.

Ron Patterson P.Eng. Contract Engineer, Municipality of Cumberland County



Nancy Burgess-Graham

A New Year, A New Direction

The Pugwash Chamber of Commerce (PACC), currently representing approximately forty business organizations and individuals, has been hard at work over the last few months. The PACC is proud to kick-off 2013 with a brand new strategic plan that re-establishes its commitment to be a strong business leadership organization focused on building community capacity and supporting sustainable growth to preserve and enhance the quality of life in our area.

As part of the plan, the PACC has determined a new committee structure for the organization. The five new committees are Marketing & Promotions, Membership, Business Development, Strategic Planning and Finance. The Marketing and Business Development committees are looking for members who want to get involved in each area to help with a variety of initiatives.

Watch for the new Membership Information Package that answers all the frequently asked questions and highlights the benefits of being a member.

The PACC serves and offers value to the Village of Pugwash and associated communities, (EG. West Pugwash), the Gulf Shore, Port Howe, Linden, Shinimicas, Northport, Wallace, Malagash, and Wentworth. The organization hopes to fill that gap between the Amherst Chamber boundaries and Tamagouche in an inclusive manner, actively inviting the surrounding communities to participate in the organization to have representation through the Chamber on issues affecting businesses in the region. Kathy Redmond is the PACC Administrative Assistant. Please contact her anytime for more info: pugwashacc@bellaliant.net or 902-243-2606 .

HarbourFest Prepares for 2013

Mark **July 26 to 28, 2013** down in your date books. Plans are underway for the 8th annual Pugwash HarbourFest. Festival Chair Claude Hudson reports that it is the committee's intention to bring the Dragon Boat races back, and is asking all interested parties to contact the festival office manager/event coordinator Lee Fleming to get involved. Organizers plan to build and expand on the success of both the Bathtub Boat Races and the very popular Sunday Soap Box Derby event. There are other ideas that the committee is considering, including a Kite Flying event. Of course, the committee looks forward to the return of tried and true popular events from previous years and from last year.

Want to get involved? The steering committee welcomes new volunteers to get involved. Regular monthly meetings will commence in January to ensure a well planned event. Call the Pugwash HarbourFest office at 243-2275 for more information and to learn how you can get involved.

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 July /August at the Village Hall. This year, over 1,000 people visited the sale and we sold about 70 paintings!

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

It Takes a Village

Newsletter is generally published quarterly in March, June, September, December. The deadline for our next issue is **February 22nd**. Maximum word count of 250. We reserve the right to edit for length and content. Photos or graphics will be used as space allows. Send articles by email to:

villagecommission@pugwashvillage.com

For more info call:
243 2946



Sport Pugwash has
new President

Alex Parker

After 19 years spent in the Village of Pugwash, taking advantage of the beautiful scenery, the warmth of our waters, and most of all, the numerous opportunities to participate in recreational activities such as the ones that are available to everyone at NO COST via Sport Pugwash. I felt as though it was my turn as a young adult to start giving back to a community that has given so much to me.

This is one of the main reasons why I had decided to head up the Kraft Celebration Tour campaign for Sport Pugwash this past summer. Furthermore, this is the reason why I decided to put my name in at the Sport Pugwash Annual General Meeting in November for President of Sport Pugwash.

As the new President of the organization I believe I can help grow Sport Pugwash to its full potential so it will not only benefit a specific age group, but it will appeal to the entire population of Pugwash and the surrounding areas.

With the support of a worthy Executive, and a determined Board of Director's, as well as the strongest community I've ever known, I can't wait to get started on the journey that lies ahead for Sport Pugwash, and most of all, the Village of Pugwash.



Northumberland Community Curling Club

Hazel Felderhof

After a break last year, Northumberland Community Curling Club is again hosting the Chowder Hour on Friday, Dec. 7th from 4 - 6 p.m. Homemade chowder, a roll and tea or coffee will cost \$5. The Christmas tree is up and the mantel decorated so come and enjoy the beginning of the festive season in a relaxed atmosphere.

NCCC is off to a good start for the 2012-2013. One hundred and ten members are playing in the Morning Mens, Morning Ladies and the evening leagues. Approximately fifteen regulars play in the Pay-As-You-Play category. Sunday Night Commercial has eight teams. Eight Juniors gather on Mondays and Thursdays and twelve Little Rocks arrive on Wednesday afternoon after school. Tuesday afternoon is reserved for Sunset residents. Friday afternoon is the time for the Stick Curlers league and Friday night sees three sheets of curlers for a social game of curling followed by cards at eight p.m.

Our Social membership stands at thirty-one and this is without counting our many life-time social members. If you enjoy watching curling drop by on Tuesday or Wednesday night and watch our local curlers.

The bar is open and the coffee on.

**PUGWASH SENIOR BOYS BASKETBALL
Tournament December 7th and 8th**

Schedule

Friday December 7th

3pm CCA vs Ecole de Sommet
5pm Pugwash vs Cabot
6:45pm Sommet vs Cabot
8:30pm Pugwash vs CCA

Saturday December 8th

9am Cabot vs New Germany
10:45am Fun "Big Man's Game" for Grade 6
11:45am 3 vs 2
1pm 4 vs 5
2:45pm Championship game (1st gets a bye)

Emergency Measures Organization

Do you know where to go if there is a local emergency?

A **COMFORT STATION** is a location set up by church groups or community hall groups that are used by the community as a rallying point for citizens to meet and share information and give very short term comfort. They are not set up as overnight lodging centers. These sites will be managed by the citizens groups that open them. If Cumberland Regional EMO is requesting the services of a Comfort Station, expenses may be looked after by EMO, but only if prior agreements are made.

EMERGENCY SHELTERS are sites that are pre-approved by Cumberland Emergency Management and the Canadian Red Cross. These locations have to meet certain standards and Department of Health regulations. The Canadian Red Cross will oversee the operations of the lodging and feeding. These may be short term or long term lodging sites. The costs of operating these shelters will be covered by either Red Cross or Cumberland Regional EMO.

EMO identifies these facilities as each emergency occurs, depending on the circumstances of the emergency. Local media and organizations will be informed to let the public know where to go.

Jim Hannon, Emergency Management Coordinator, Municipality of Cumberland County

**PUGWASH COMMUNITIES IN BLOOM 'HOMES FOR THE HOLIDAYS'
CHRISTMAS HOUSE TOUR 2012**

Helen Matheson

This year for the Communities in Bloom Pugwash's annual fundraiser, Homes for the Holidays, we are again featuring the historically significant, Thinkers Lodge. This beautifully restored National Historic Site will be awash in lights and greenery for the season, highlighting its rich heritage and message of peace for this holiday season. The decorations this year will reimagine the classic Christmas poem, 'Twas the Night Before Christmas' to delight visitors of all ages. Enjoy carolers and step back in time with a family who is just settling down for a long winters nap. Don't be surprised to find Santa in the Great Room checking his list and taking time out for a snack. Come celebrate the season by visiting this beautiful jewel in the heart of Pugwash and as well as the other decorated homes as part of this year's Christmas home tour - 'A Grayland Farm Christmas' - highlighting this beautiful ranch-style home and stables on the Gulf Shore. Horses and buggy rides add to this ; 'An Artisans' Christmas' - This log home has been thoughtfully built to conserve energy and features many outstanding works of art. The owner's forge will be in operation to demonstrate how some of the art works were created.

DECEMBER 8, 1- 5pm

(storm date Sunday, December 9)

Tickets are \$10.00, available in advance from the Pugwash Village Hall, the Chatterbox Café, the Hidden Jewel, Home Hardware and on December 8th at St. Thomas More Church Hall, where refreshments will be served and you can enter to win a Communities in Bloom wreath.

For more information, contact Norene Smiley at 243-4059, nsmiley@pelicaneng.com

CIB CHRISTMAS GIFT BROCHURE

Residents in the Village will soon be receiving the new Communities in Bloom Christmas Gift Brochure at their Post Office boxes. Look for them at the Pugwash Farmers Christmas Market, Homes for the Holidays tour locations, and some business locations. This is a new fundraising initiative inviting everyone to consider purchasing items to beautify the village as presents for their Christmas list this year.

CIB SPRING EVENTS AND INITIATIVES

CIB will purchase 20 additional Pugwash banners to be hung along the entrances to the Village in the spring. CIB organizers are planning a one-day gardening event on the Saturday of Mothers' Day weekend in 2013. Highlights will be a plant sale and demonstrations and information sessions by guest master gardeners, like Chronicle-Herald journalist and author, Jodi DeLong, who are excited to share gardening ideas and tips and get you ready for another summer of successful gardening.



Pugwash Ground Search and Rescue

Richard White, PGSAR President

Since the last newsletter the Pugwash GSAR team has been very busy. We have had two Searches to deal with. Both of these searches ended with the lost subject being found in good healthy condition. We have also been busy with the Real Time Tracking training which uses GPS capabilities to track teams in the woods. Our two Search managers Jim Kaluza & Greg Nix held a Team Leader training course over a busy weekend and we are happy to say we now have 6 new team leaders. These Team Leaders will be responsible for running a team of 3 to 6 people during a search. We have purchased a Panel van which we are converting over to become our new Command Unit. This will make us more efficient at our response time and more effective during a search as we can go more places. We will be having a multi team exercise coming up in January where we will be testing all of our new Communication equipment. A Project Lifesaver training day is in

Pugwash Village Hall
Winter office hours:
**Monday to Friday
9am to 1pm**

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**MEALS-ON-WHEELS
PUGWASH**

Is a service organized and operated by a Volunteer program committee under the sponsorship of the Pugwash Royal Canadian Legion, Branch # 60.

Further information about the service can be obtained by calling the Legion at:

243 2123
from 2pm to 6pm
Monday to Saturday



Pugwash C@P Site

Open Mon—Fri
9am to noon
1pm to 4 pm
Village Hall
124 Water Street
ph: 243 2088

Camp Pagweak

Ruth Ruston

As I prepare this article for the newsletter, Camp Pagweak is under construction! Yes folks we have brought in a home for our full time Director and his family and it sits right at the bottom of the lane going into the Camp. We are excited!

And that's not all! In a few weeks, weather permitting we are hoping to move in 4 modular structures which will provide us with a new, much larger lodge.

Work is also in progress for our 2013 camping program with lots of new things in store for our campers - Camp will start on June 30th and end Aug. 31st and that means 9 weeks of camp for ALL ages.

Please keep checking our web site – www.pagweak.org as we provide employment for many youth in our area as Counsellors, Lifeguard, Cook, etc. Applications will be out in early January.

With all these changes we are hoping to continue to reach out into our communities and provide rental opportunities for groups or meeting spaces – the sky is the limit, as it will hopefully be a winterized facility. And what a location!!!

This little camp that opened in 1944 is alive and well today and owned by 30 Baptist Churches in Cumberland and Colchester Counties.

Memories, great friendships, fun and God's love are all experienced at Camp Pagweak!

For more info visit: www.pagweak.org or come see us on Facebook. Email Aaron Stevenson, Camp Missionary/Director at: campmissionary@pagweak.org . Or contact Ruth Rushton, Camp Registrar – 597-8583

MERRY CHRISTMAS

from Northumberland Community Curling Club. Give yourself an early Christmas Gift. Come try the awesome sport of CURLING! Thursday, December 6, 13 and 20 at 6:30pm Instruction and necessary equipment provided.



Pugwash Farmers Market

Jennifer Houghtaling

If there is anyone interested in being a member, please call 243-2918.

As we approach the holidays once again, the farmers, crafters, artisans and bakers of your market are busily bustling around trying to have the perfect Christmas gift for you to give or receive. Unbeknownst to many, we at the market are constantly testing new recipes, growing different crops, and trying to keep the people who are so good at supporting our trades happy. And it has shown this year, vendors from afar are hearing about how great the little Pugwash market is, and are travelling to be here through the season.

The board thanks the village many times over for their continuous support and the many loyal folks who come and visit with us every Saturday. Our Christmas market (Dec. 8th 9am til 1pm) at the high school has been loaded with goodies to the point now that we were fully booked with vendors in early September this year. We sure hope you all can make it!

Thanks again from the members, don't forget to buy local and support your local economy!!

Open Hamper Food Bank

Tom Aiken

The Open Hamper Food Bank is located downstairs at the Pugwash Hospital in space generously provided by the Hospital Board. Hours are every Wednesday from 1pm to 3pm.

Drop off of donations can be made at that site or at the Pugwash Co-Op. We can take anything but home-made foods. We distribute basic food supplies as well as fresh vegetables and fruit when we have them.

The Open Hamper has been a registered charity since 1996. Our services are intended to be an emergency measure to help in the short term yet we find that many families are unable to lift themselves out of poverty. Our client numbers have gone up significantly in the last couple of years, particularly among young families. Due to this increase in clients, we have been spending more than we could afford and recently had to lessen the amount of food we give out. We serve approximately 60 families.

The large majority of our clients are from the Pugwash area while the majority of our volunteers are from Wallace and area. We would like to see Pugwash residents volunteer. We are solely a volunteer organization with all funding coming from our local community as well as supplies from the provincial organization: Feed Nova Scotia.

The annual Holiday boxes will be distributed on Dec. 20th from 11 am to 1 pm with the 21st as a snow day. For more information please call Tom Aiken 257-2686. Please do NOT call the hospital.

Help Feed the Pets

Jane Jorgensen

Working together with Feed Nova Scotia, Paws by Wallace Bay Pet Boarding and the Sparkle S'Paw at Paws Pet Grooming will be accepting donations of pet food for distribution to local food banks.

Winter weather puts an extra strain on budgets for many families, and this may mean difficult times for the family pet. This Christmas lets not forget those who cannot speak for themselves.

Drop off your old Christmas lights at Sunset Industries where they will be stripped down for recycling.

The Royal Canadian Legion, Peace Branch No.60

December 22nd. – Santa and the kids at 2:00PM with the usual treats. No admission charge.

Ongoing – Monday night darts are held at 7:00 PM and new participants are welcome. Contact Ken Cameron at 243-3425

Notice to Residents of Pugwash and Area

The Cumberland Health Authority is pleased to announce that the North Cumberland Memorial Hospital is now home to the **North Cumberland Collaborative Emergency Centre**.

The opening of the Collaborative Emergency Centre - or CEC as it is better known - means there will be access to emergency health services at the local hospital 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

All phone calls to the North Cumberland Collaborative Emergency Centre, whether to the hospital or the primary health care clinic, should be made to: **243 2521** then chose Option1 for the hospital/CEC or Option 2 for the clinic.



The Friends of the Margaret King School

" Together we can do the extraordinary . "

Pat Briggins

Seasons Greeting to and from the Friends of the Margaret King Society (MKS) and may your New Year be a prosperous and peaceful one as you journey into 2013.

As a working group much has been accomplished in 2012 and much to be done yet to be ready for the unveiling of a permanent monument to the memory of a great school and a great donor, Cyrus Eaton, who did so much for our village and the surrounding community of Pugwash Junction where he lived as a lad and was educated.

We are always open to new members.

President - Pat Briggins (243 -3346)

Pugwash Pictures in the Park

Kirsteen Thomson

The winter season of Pugwash Pictures will start in the New Year, with a showing of the classic Jimmy Stewart film "Harvey" at 7 pm on January 19th at the Northumberland Community Curling Club.

Entry is by voluntary donation to cover the cost of the performance rights. Drinks and popcorn will be available. We look forward to seeing you there!

Dates for the next showings of films at the NCCC are Feb 23rd, March 30th and April 27th. Suggestions for film choices are welcome. Check us out on Facebook at:

<http://www.facebook.com/Pugwash.Movies>



Check out your local library at 10222 Durham Street (the old train station) and see what we have to offer—books for all ages on all topics, magazines, movies, TV shows, books on CD—all free with your library card.

Coming up this winter @ your Library:
December 7th Pugwash Library Holiday Open House 6:00-7:30pm. Join us at the library prior to the Village tree lighting for our Holiday Puppet show from 6pm - 6:30pm. All ages welcome. Refreshments will be served. Drop in and see what your library has to offer!

December 11th
Morning Book Club 9:30-10:30am
Evening Book Club 5:30-7:00pm

December 19th
Candy Cane Mice @ Your Library 3:15-4:15pm Grades P-6

January 8th
Morning Book Club 9:30-10:30am
Evening Book Club 5:30-7:00pm

January 23rd
Children's Craft and Story time 3:15-4:15 Grades P-6

February 12th
Morning Book Club 9:30-10:30am
Evening Book Club 5:30-7:00pm

February 20th
Children's Craft and Story Time 3:15-4:15 Grades P-6

March 12th
Morning Book Club 9:30-10:30am
Evening Book Club 5:30-7:00pm

March 20th
Children's Craft and Story Time 3:15-4:15 Grades P-6

Call 243-3331 for details or more information.

Pugwash Friends of the Library

The Friends are hard at work planning fantastic 2013 fundraisers. In June look for the best little Hokey Pokey barn dance, celebrity hat auction and bingo ever seen. In the fall one can tip a glass at the Friends evening of wine tasting and giveaways.

Donna Hutchinson of Red Roof Arts has donated one of her hooked rugs to the Friends for a raffle. The rug is a delicious little folk art river scene. Tickets for the rug are now on sale at the Pugwash Library, Village Hall, the Chatterbox Café or any one of the Friends committee members.

Beautiful blank greeting cards, featuring a picture of the train station rug hooked by the Remsheg Hookers are sold at the Pugwash Library. Donations to the building fund can also be made at the library. Want a great idea for a Christmas gift? Consider making a donation in someone's name.

If you would like to volunteer or need information about the Friends of the Pugwash library please call Elaine Cook at 243-2616, email elda-beri@gmail.com.

Cumberland County Safety Check-In Program

Do you live alone? Would you like the reassurance that someone is checking in on you daily, just to be sure that everything is okay?

A group of volunteers organized through VON and supported by the Municipality of Cumberland County and the RCMP will call registered users every day.

Registered users give names of at least two people who can be contacted in case of emergency. If the phone rings more than 15 times, the volunteer will call the contact(s) and if they are unavailable, an appropriate emergency service will be contacted.



Application forms are available from the RCMP, the Village Hall or call 667 8796.

Message from Village Commission Chair, Dave Farley

My first six months as commission Chair is almost completed and looking back on them, it has been a learning experience as it involved areas that I previously had no exposure to as a commissioner. It has been an education, at times challenging but above all, enjoyable. I thank all those who have supported me with your wise counsel and input that has included my fellow commissioners, Village Clerk, County Councillor and County Warden, MLA and a goodly number of fellow village citizens.

Your commission is committed to providing the services as seen as needed in our community and to oversee the ones we do have, are prudently administered. We also see advocacy as part of our mandate. This has included participation in the Master Action Plan committees. Some rate payers have expressed an interest in maintaining the light house at Pugwash Point and to that end the commission is exploring the options and what it involves for the tax payer. The commission is also looking into providing wharfage for a boating fuel service and discussions with the Northumberland Boaters Association and Canadian Salt Company Ltd are ongoing. The commission is also addressing parking issues, unsightly premises, dog poop pick up problems, signage etc.

Vandalism remains an issue Our security cameras have been upgraded, so we hope this will deter such senseless activity. I encourage you to contact any commissioner, myself or the clerk if you have any concerns involving our Village and we will do our best to address them. I also encourage you to attend our regular public meetings that take place at 7pm the third Monday of each month (except July). Dave Farley 243-3284



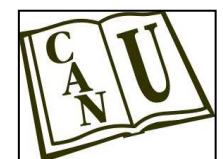
Cumberland District of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP)

... On the First Day of Christmas Crime Prevention the RCMP said to me... "Lock your vehicle to keep those gifts safe for under the tree."

With the hustle and bustle of the Christmas season, it is easy to forget about vehicle safety. Keep in mind these simple tips to help keep your vehicle from being a target of crime. Remember, vehicle break-ins are a crime of opportunity. Take the steps to keep your Christmas treasure safe.

- Always lock all windows and doors
- Remove all valuables from your vehicle before exiting; this includes GPS systems, cell phones, MP3 players and any other electronic devices
- Park in well-lit locations and avoid isolated areas
- Never leave your vehicle running unattended
- Install an alarm system with a kill-switch
- Keep all gifts out of sight, and secure purchases in the trunk
- It is the vehicle owner's responsibility to secure the vehicle.

The Village of Pugwash
would like to welcome
Dr. Kazem Rezvani,
the newest member of
our team of health care
practitioners.



CAN-U Adult Learning Program

Are you interested in improving your reading, writing or math skills to achieve your High School diploma, write the GED or get a better job?

WE CAN HELP

Registration and classes are **FREE**, you must be **19 yrs** of age. Classes take place on Water Street in **Pugwash** beginning January 2012.

For more information or to register please contact the office: 661-0153

Friday December 7th



Alia's Convenience * Specials on donairs and pizza
 Basic Spirit Fine Craft Gallery * In store specials and Christmas cookies
 C@P site * 1pm to 4pm * refreshments and free internet
 Chatterbox Café *10am to 2pm * Lunch specials and accepting donations to the Food Bank.
 Cut to the Chase * Giveaways, in store tax free sales. "Everyday Style" food and gift samples. Open til 8pm.
 F & D PetroCanada * Refreshments, craft and bake sale
 Harrison's Building Supplies * In store tax free sales and treats
 Hidden Jewel * In store specials, cider - open until 9pm
 Horton Gallery * Open House, in house specials and Refreshments. Open until 9pm
 Langille's Esso * draw and refreshments
 Monty's Used Clothing * In store specials, home-made treats and cider. Open until 9pm
 Northumberland Community Curling Club * 4 to 6pm * Chowder \$5
 Northumberland Veterinary Services * In store sales specials on food and retail items
 NSLC – in store samples
 O'Brien's PharmaChoice * In store specials, redeem Perks for a chance to win a 42" HDTV
 One Stop Convenience * Free 2 litre pop with 16" pizza
 PDHS *2:30pm* Senior Boys basketball tournament
 Pugwash Co-Op * In store specials
 Pugwash Home Hardware * In store specials and draw. Open until 8pm
 Pugwash Legion *7pm to 10pm* Free games night. Designated drivers get a free non alcoholic drink.
 Pugwash Library *6 to 6:30pm* Children's puppet show
 Pugwash Library *6 to 7:30pm* Open House
 Pugwash Post Office *Refreshments and draw
 Pugwash Train Station * 7pm* Lighting of the community Christmas tree, carol singers and a visit from Santa!
 Pugwash Village Hall *2 to 4pm* LED Holiday light exchange
 Pugwash Village Hall *2 to 5pm* Open House and treats
 Seagull Pewter * In store specials and draw
 Scotiabank * Giveaways and refreshments

Check out pugwashvillage.com
 "Events" page for more details!



Saturday December 8th

Basic Spirit Fine Craft Gallery * In store specials and Christmas cookies
 Chatterbox Café *10am to 2pm* Lunch specials and accepting donations to the Food Bank
 Communities in Bloom host *1pm to 5pm* Home for the Holidays * \$10
 Horton Gallery * Open House, specials and refreshments
 Horton Gallery *2 to 4pm* Meet local artisans
 Harrison's Building Supplies - in store tax free sales and treats (Close at 3pm)
 Langille's Esso * Draw and refreshments
 Inn the Elms *4 to 8pm* Open House & refreshments. \$6 Chili includes donation of \$2 to Meals on Wheels
 Monty's Used Clothing * In store specials, home-made treats and cider
 NSLC – in store samples
 O'Brien's PharmaChoice * In store specials, redeem Perks for a chance to win a 42" HDTV
 One Stop Convenience * Free 2 litre pop with 16" pizza
 PDHS *9am* Senior Boys basketball tournament. All day.
 PDHS *9am to 1pm* Farmers Market
 Pugwash Home Hardware * In store specials and draw. Open until 8pm
 Rebecca Silver Spray *10am* Craft and bake sale
 Seventh Day Adventist Campground *6:30pm* The Master Peace Choir and Bell Choir

"Come And Adore Him"

Christmas musical at Wesley St. Matthews United Church
 7pm Friday December 14th

A choir of 40 singers representing all denominations in and around Pugwash
 Doors open at 6:30pm. Refreshments to follow.