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LighthouseNOW sold to Advocate



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From left, Fred Fiander, director of media operations for Advocate, Lynn Hennigar, publisher and Sean Murray, president and CEO of Advocate Media Inc.

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After several months of negotiations, Advocate Media Inc. and Advocate Printing and Publishing have announced the acquisition of LighthouseNOW (Lighthouse Publishing).

The sale ends 47 years of ownership by the Hennigar family, beginning with Ralph and Margaret Hennigar in 1968, and, since 2007, under the leadership of their daughter Lynn. It has been one of the most celebrated community newspapers in Canada.

"After decades of mutual cooperation, I am pleased Lighthouse has agreed to join the Advocate group," said Sean Murray, president and CEO

of Advocate. "I believe combining our efforts, will enhance our offerings in all the communities we serve."

"We constantly call on politicians and organizations to make bold decisions that are best for our sustainable future," he continued. "Companies must make similar decisions. I am thankful that Lynn Hennigar chose Advocate for LighthouseNOW's bold move forward."

Hennigar, who will remain as publisher, informed her staff of the sale on Tuesday morning.

"Advocate Media brings resources, expertise and a commitment to community and Nova Scotia that we couldn't have found in another buyer. We believe that we have found the best possible team to carry on our work and to ensure that our communities continue to be

informed and served by a vibrant community newspaper," said Hennigar.

Fred Fiander, the director of media operations for Advocate, will manage the amalgamation of the operations.

"I see this as more of a marriage. It's not one company coming in and taking over. It's two companies coming together to work together," said Fiander.

"The purchase of LighthouseNOW increases the bench strength of Advocate Media," added Fiander. "Throughout the career I have admired the quality of their work and the recognition in their community. Lynn's company continues to be the most relevant and trusted source of news for the people of Lunenburg County."

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MERMAID MOMENT

Mermaid in the middle, Christina McKinnon, sports a seaweed hairdo while friends Sarah Publicover (left) and Taylor Power join in the sand sculpturing fun. Activities were in full throttle during a public beach party near Hubbards on Wednesday, August 5.

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Bridgewater man volunteers with Red Cross in Saskatchewan

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Gary Lewis had never been to Saskatchewan. He had also never been to a national disaster.

"These people had left their home. They left their home quickly. Some had resources and some didn't and what they didn't have we had to provide."

When a string of wildfires blanketed western Canada earlier this summer, Lewis and 15 others from the Atlantic Red Cross answered the call for the help. Lewis, a retired banker, lives just outside of Bridgewater by Fancy Lake and has volunteered with the organization for six years.

He arrived in Prince Albert, located in the province's centre, on July 2 and spent two weeks stationed at Saskatchewan Polytechnic.

"You never fully expect it," he said having only dealt with smaller emergencies previously.

Prince Albert was the largest community south of the fires meaning most would pass through the town on their way to other cities like Saskatoon or Regina. But as the fires grew the evacuations became more massive and continuous — around two to 300 people a day — with some arriving without even basic necessities.

While the province anticipates wildfires every year, this season proved to be much graver and larger than expected. The majority were First Nations, upwards of 90 per cent Lewis estimates.

"You realize that all of these people

have been displaced," he said, "and they have all the needs that we all do in our daily lives."

Lewis' job was to register the incoming evacuees ensuring they had a place to stay, food and medicine. He gave out food and laundry vouchers, inquired hotels about vacant rooms and arranged doctors appointments.

With 100 people sleeping on cots in the school gym, Lewis kept careful stock of blankets, pillows, deodorant, soap and towels to keep everyone as comfortable as possible. Some chose to stay with friends or camp out in tents. But there were always exceptions and Lewis found himself having to readily adapt to what he called "special circumstances." He helped micromanage a family of five kids, with another on the way, who needed respite away from the commotion of the shelter; meanwhile, he tried to find hotel space for a man sleeping in his car because he wanted to be closer to home. On top of everything, resources became strained as grocery stores ran low on certain items.

"Everything was at its max," he said.

A local firefighter later offered his home to the family of five kids. The man in his car eventually accepted a bed in the school.

"Nobody wants to spend two weeks in a shelter or in a cot but they understood that and they realized that we were doing the best that we could."

Then one morning, he woke up to find 200 people from the town of La Ronge had packed themselves in the gym after arriving the previous night by bus. Dealing with large numbers of people became routine by this point and Lewis simply



MICHAEL LEE PHOTO

Gary Lewis went to Saskatchewan to help those displaced by wildfires in the province's northern region.

did what he could for their new arrivals.

"Every day was a special circumstance of one sort or another," he said.

The presence of Cree interpreters and community elders also helped him navigate through the varying groups and at times he fell back on them for knowledge on certain matters.

"There are official ways of approach-

ing something and then there are people who just know."

Lewis even met a few firefighters who came down in need of rest after battling fires up north. Arriving with their skin blackened with ash, most just wanted a bed and a meal.

"After a day or so they wanted to go back," he said admiringly. "It's their community it's their homes."

But those who couldn't return remained anxious, constantly wondering whether their homes were safe or not. As more volunteers came, the work became much easier to maintain. By the end of his two weeks, people were already returning home.

Lewis said around 10,000 people in all were assisted by the Red Cross.

Now he spends his time together with his wife, dog and two cats at their cottage in Fancy Lake, joined by family and others who made the trip down for the summer. The memories of Prince Albert still roll through his mind.

"I think I would go again. I would do another one. I enjoyed the experience," said Lewis. "I think you do come home feeling that you've done something worthwhile."

"That's the sort of situation that — it happens," he said. "That's life, that's the way it is."

He spent the first few days home sleeping and reflecting, wondering what he could have done differently. In the end, Lewis said he feels good about what he and the Red Cross had accomplished.

"It's a difficult thing to explain to people, you know. You have to be there."

dis.cord stu.di.o cancels concerts

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Saxophonist Peter Millett was excited to play with his band for the first time at the new dis.cord stu.di.o in Lunenburg when he got an unwanted call on Wednesday, August 5.

"We were really disappointed," said Millett, who was informed his modern-jazz band Full House no longer had a gig because the venue on Bluenose Drive was no longer putting on free concerts.

Last week, dis.cord stu.di.o announced on its website it would be cancelling all scheduled concerts.

Owner Farley Blackman said the decision came after he received a list of renovations that were needed to bring the venue up to code. One of the requirements was to bring in a barrier-free porta potty.

"I was not prepared to incur the additional expense," said Blackman in an e-mail. "I have received nothing but the official list of requirements that I cannot do therefore shutting down is the only option."

He added that a town official said the space could temporarily remain open until October if the renovations were completed.

On its website, dis.cord stu.di.o states that, "Although our future plans do include an accessible restroom, the necessary renovations to our historic building are extensive, expensive and need

various levels of [Town of Lunenburg] approval."

But Lunenburg mayor Rachel Bailey says there was never any direction to shut it down. When the building and fire inspectors visited the space recently they "discussed shortcomings of the building for the use that it was being used for."

"I don't know where they got that information or what gave them that impression," said Bailey by phone later in the week. "There was no staff person within the Town of Lunenburg who told them that they needed to shut down."

LighthouseNOW has seen the email from a town official indicating otherwise. In addition to the porta potty, it called for emergency lighting to be installed and numerous permits obtained.

Blackman says there's only two ways to read the official requirements he received from the town. "One is to accept the conditions, the other is to shut down," he said in his e-mail. "Official e-mails are quite black and white."

After being told by LighthouseNOW of the mayor's response, Blackman sent an e-mail to Bailey, asking for clarification. As of August 11, there had been no response.

As many have pointed out on social media, there's a public, barrier-free washroom down the street near the Fisheries of the Atlantic Museum. The garage-style building is also accessible to people in wheelchairs.

Dis.cord stu.di.o's announcement came on the eve of the Lunenburg Folk

Harbour Festival, the town's biggest music event of the year. It's re-ignited the heated debate that's been taking place in the town for months. Many people argue that the town is overly restrictive towards small business owners and entrepreneurs.

The venue has cancelled upcoming concerts with the Darren Arsenault Trio and Full House, which was slated to perform with DJ Steb Sly.

Millett, a musician from Mahone Bay, is out of a gig that pays well, but he's more concerned about what this means for musicians in Lunenburg County.

"It can be difficult to find a place to play, especially for a new band that's breaking through and perhaps a band like us that plays a different style of music than what people might be used to," he said.

The charcoal grey building that opens up on Bluenose Drive started holding free concerts a couple of months ago. It's part of dis.cord gallery, which was started by the Blackmans, who own a number of properties in town and split their time between Lunenburg and London.

"Lunenburg is an incredible and special place," said Blackman in an email. "It is also a place going through change. Change is never easy, it is however a necessary constant as without it people, places and companies cease to be viable as all too many failed relationships, ghost towns and defunct companies prove."

Motorbike clocked at over 200 km/h

RCMP asking for help in finding driver

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Lunenburg District RCMP are asking for the public's help in locating a dangerous driver on an all-black motorcycle.

On August 8, the driver, described as wearing a black jacket with red on it, was seen going east down Highway 103 at 238 km/h in the Martins River area at around 2 p.m. by a member of the RCMP.

Two more complaints were made to 911 about the same driver.

Members in Tantallon were informed but were unable to find the driver who was last seen departing Highway 103 off exit 5.

The motorcycle had an obscured or absent plate.

Anyone with information is asked to contact Lunenburg District RCMP at 902-527-5555 or Crime Stoppers.

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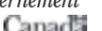
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John McLennan, in the back to the right, watches as his grandchildren unveil the plaque and pass on the island.

Goat Island donated to province for public access

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Over 50 people travelled by boat to Goat Island to see the unveiling of the donation plaque on August 5.

Businessman and former Bell Canada CEO John McLennan donated the island to the Mahone Island Conservation Association (MICA) in May, and was in attendance with his family to formally pass it on.

"We're just very, very pleased to have been able to make this donation," said McLennan.

There may not be the 365 islands of legend in Mahone Bay, but of the roughly 85 that do exist, MICA now owns 15. The organization works to maintain the natural environments of the islands, and keeps them open for public use.

McLennan bought Goat Island in the early 2000's, after retiring and moving to Martin's Point. He's used it as a place to swim and have picnics with his grandchildren, who visit Mahone Bay every summer from San Francisco.

He had heard about what MICA had done with other islands in the area, and approached his family with the idea of donating his. He says his grandchildren were OK with it, as long as they could keep using it.

"I said, 'Well, that's the whole point. Of course we can keep using it, but so can everybody else,'" said McLennan. "So that made it very easy to do."

So far he's pleased with what MICA has been able to do with it.

"A group of volunteers from MICA came out and actually had a clean up on the island, so they're taking better care of it than I did," he said.

This is the second time MICA has made an acquisition through donation

since forming in 2002. The first was in the fall of 2007, when the Long Island Preservation Society donated a group of four islands at the entrance to Mahone Bay. Other acquisitions have been made through purchases in partnership with the province.

The group first started to meet when trees started disappearing on Strum Island after it fell under private ownership.

"There were rumours that the development was going to continue, and that's not, in our opinion, the right thing for Mahone Bay," said MICA chairman John Meisner. "So we got together and had a public meeting, got a lot of support, and the rest is history."

Harry Adams, a Halifax resident who has sailed around Mahone Bay for 35 years, came to the plaque unveiling to show his support.

He says that Mahone Bay is seen as a "jewel" internationally, because of the many islands there are to sail to, but he hopes locals know the work it has taken to keep it that way.

"We're victims of our liberty and our good fortune to live here. We just think this is the natural state of affairs, and it's not at all," said Adams. "It's only because groups like [MICA] keep the government's feet to the fire."

The new donation plaque sits just outside the thick wooded area of the island, with a MICA sign asking visitors to "please leave only your footprints" just below it.

McLennan stood beside his grandchildren as they unveiled the plaque, because they helped him make the decision to donate.

"Development is not a really bad word in my language," McLennan said. "But I think preserving these islands for people is a wonderful thing to do."

Mahone Bay council votes to pursue amalgamation

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The Town of Mahone Bay has passed a motion to notify the Town of Bridgewater, Town of Lunenburg, and The Municipality of Lunenburg (MODL) that it's interested in pursuing municipal amalgamation.

The motion passed by a 4-3 vote at a special council meeting on Monday. It was the tightest vote Councillor John Bain can recall in his three terms.

Councillors who voted against the motion voiced concern about moving forward without getting more public input. They said holding the special meeting in the afternoon made it impossible for residents who were stuck at work to attend.

"I've heard from a number of citizens who say they would have wanted to [participate], but they just can't get away from their jobs today," said Deputy Mayor David Devenne. "It should have been an evening meeting."

Mayor Joe Feeney says there will be opportunities for public discussion later, and that they need to move forward to get answers to the questions the public could have.

"What is our tax rate going to be? We don't know. The public won't be really happy without getting definitive answers to those questions," said Feeney. "I won't know what that will be until we've had those negotiations."

Bain voted against the motion, calling it "the most important motion that's

come before any council since the town was incorporated."

He called the motion "premature," saying that amalgamation shouldn't be considered unless it is a financial necessity.

But Councillor Kelly Wilson argued that it's better to have a discussion when your back isn't against the wall.

"It puts us in a much better position to discuss the pros and cons with our brother and sister municipalities," Wilson said.

He added that amalgamation isn't just about pooling resources, but creating a sum greater than its parts. "What this process is designed to do is create a new and as yet undetermined form of government, which doesn't amalgamate existing structures, but basically eliminates existing structures and creates something brand new."

Feeney says they will now wait for the response of other councils, which will either move the proposal forward or put it to rest. Shared borders are required for amalgamation, which makes MODL's involvement a necessity, because it links Mahone Bay to the other municipalities.

Bridgewater Mayor David Walker attended the Mahone Bay meeting and said he supported the motion that council passed. Bridgewater council discussed the matter later in the day, and decided to formally address the issue during a special public meeting on August 24.



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From left, Emily Pearson, Stephanie Lantz, Josh Kingdon, Grant Cook, Linnae Topham, Sam Jollimore. Emily, Josh and Linnae are three of the six Manitoba 4-H members visiting Nova Scotia.

Manitobans to the coast in 4-H exchange

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Six teenage members of the Manitoba 4-H club have come to Nova Scotia to take in the sights, try the seafood, and most importantly, swim in the Atlantic Ocean for the first time.

It's the second part of an exchange that sent Hill 'n' Dale 4-H'ers from the South Shore to Manitoba in July.

Emily Pearson had never even seen the ocean before visiting Rissers Beach, and said it's a lot different than the man-made lakes she's used to in Manitoba.

"It's so weird, I can't see to the other side," she said.

Young members of the Hill 'n' Dale 4-H will also be taking their visitors to Peggy's Cove, Blue Rocks and Lunenburg over the course of their 10 day trip.

The exchange is a chance for young people to see new things, with a focus on the area's agriculture.

Stephanie Lantz, 17, went with the

group to Manitoba, and enjoyed seeing the canola fields and grain elevators. She even saw her first rodeo.

"You get to see how other people live in our country, and meet new people, and just get new experiences we wouldn't have here," said Stephanie.

But Stephanie's mother, Roberta, says the trip's biggest benefit is the maturity that young people gain after traveling without their parents. It's why Roberta didn't tag along on the trip as a chaperone.

"Before the trip, [Stephanie] would not even look at you, and now look at her, she's doing public speaking," said Roberta.

The Hill 'n' Dale 4-H group will present what they've learned from their trip to the club at the next general meeting in September, and talk about ways to incorporate what they've learned into their club at home.

After that, they'll make arrangements with another club in Canada for next year's exchange.

Chester Grant Road bridge gets repairs

Nova Scotia's Department of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal advises motorists there's a detour in place as crews repair a bridge on the Chester Grant Road. The Middle River bridge is slated to be closed until Friday, August 21.

"A detour route is available on Trunk 12, Highway 103, and Trunk 14," the department stated in a traffic advisory.

Chester Grant Road spans between the communities of Chester Grant and Windsor Road.

LighthouseNOW sold to Advocate

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Advocate Media's presence in Nova Scotia includes the Port Hawkesbury Reporter, the Pictou Advocate, Truro Hub News, The Enfield Weekly Press, the Fall River Laker and the Tatamagouche Light. In New Brunswick, it publishes the St. Croix Courier and the Courier Weekend.

In addition to their newspaper, Advocate Media is also affiliated with Metro

Guide Publishing, a specialty, custom publishing division with titles including East Coast Living, Halifax Magazine, Where Halifax and Our Children. Advocate also operates the distribution company Flyer Services Limited based in Coldbrook.

Advocate Printing is Atlantic Canada's largest independent full-service printer and will now be better positioned to serve the South Shore.



COMMENT

LIGHTHOUSENOW PROGRESS BULLETIN

The NEW LighthouseNOW Progress Bulletin was established in November 2014 and now replaces The Lunenburg County Progress Bulletin (2011), Bridgewater Bulletin (est. 1887) and Lunenburg Progress Enterprise (est. 1876). LighthouseNOW Progress Bulletin is a locally owned independent newspaper published every Wednesday by LighthouseNOW.

OP ED

Legal system repeatedly fails vulnerable women

Women subject to domestic violence face real barriers to justice. There is a pattern in our legal systems and our social consciousness that plays out over and over again, all over North America, and it repeatedly fails vulnerable women.

The pattern goes like this: A woman (most often, though not always), experiencing abuse from an intimate partner endures the abuse along with the shame, guilt and fear, for an average of 35 incidents before reporting it to police.

During that time a woman develops many strategies to avoid, cope with or manage the violence to keep herself and possibly her children safe. If the man uses a pattern of violence and fear, though, these strategies are mostly ineffective, although they may actually keep her alive. Sometimes she physically fights back, which can further endanger her. It can also be used against her in a court of law.

Less than half of women muster the courage and wherewithal to report to police, knowing full well this may put them at even greater risk because the legal system provides few effective mechanisms to protect women. Peace bonds or no contact orders are common, but are regularly breached with impunity.

If a woman decides she has the fortitude to go through with charges, the systematic tearing down of her credibility, integrity, confidence and conviction begins. She is required to recount all the lurid and complex details of the abuse, consistently and in chronological, sequential order, grilled by a highly trained defense lawyer hired by her abuser, whose primary tool is discrediting her and her story by any means allowed. This will help the defense to win the case in the form of a "not guilty" verdict, essentially ensuring the defendant avoids any responsibility for his actions. Can you imagine for a moment how intimidating and potentially terrifying it would be to face ones abuser in that context?

In our current system, the woman is prohibited from hiring her own defense lawyer, instead relying on a crown prosecutor (however skilled), whose purpose is not to win the case or advocate for the victim, but to present the case beyond a reasonable doubt.

Here's the rub, and it is two-fold.

First is trauma. Sources suggest women in abusive relationships experience Post Traumatic Stress Disorder to the same degree as soldiers in war zones.

When a person has an experience that is traumatizing, certain neuro-physiological responses become embedded in the brain and nervous system from the natural fight, flight or freeze response to a serious or life-threatening situation. Interpersonal violence is extremely traumatizing, especially if it is a pattern of behaviour, repeated over time, and more so if there is also trauma in one's family or early history. In a traumatic situation, the brain no longer records reality in neat, discrete sound bytes that can be readily recalled in chronological sequence. Sounds, smells, actions, images, thoughts, feelings may take more or less precedence in one's memory depending on how the person's individual system reacts.

Significant and credible research describes the impact of trauma as often long-standing, potentially immobilizing, with a huge range of individual behavioural affects, such as withdrawal, outbursts, crying, anxiety, panic, acting out, fear, dissociating, confusion about details and events, alcohol and drug abuse to cope with the pain, and even colluding in self-damaging behavior. These can be precipitated by any number of unpredictable triggers as simple as a smell, a facial expression, a sound, a comment, an image, a question, or just by being in a situation perceived to be stressful. Certainly one can expect to be triggered by facing one's accuser, by intrusive and demanding questions, by recounting the details of a traumatic event, or aggressive cross-examination in a court room. Any of these triggers may prompt a cascade of chemicals in the body that defy conscious control by the person. Self-regulation, retrieval of information, sequencing of events are all disrupted.



Marg and Ralph Hennigar purchased the Lunenburg Progress Enterprise in 1968. Marg went on to become internationally recognized for her strong editorials and commitment to community. Their daughter Lynn took over as publisher in 1997. Marg died in December 2006.

New ownership brings new opportunity

The Ivany report was meant to serve as a wake up call for Nova Scotians. We have been reminded repeatedly that our economy sits on a precipice and each of us needs to decide to change our path before we reach the point of no return.

All of that is easy to say but hard to do. Many of us still don't believe we need to change or perhaps more accurately don't believe changing will make a difference. If we can't all get on the same page and understand we each have the power to make a difference, our decline is assured.

At LighthouseNOW we've recognized our need to change and evolve. We've spent the last 18 months reinventing ourselves, our products and finding new ways to listen to our readers and advertisers.

The newspaper industry is a tough one these days. In our case we're dealing with a sluggish economy, changing technology and reading habits and, most importantly, increased competition. Our team doesn't just work here — we all support, volunteer and live in the communities we serve.

Not unlike the need for Nova Scotians to work together for the greater good of our province, over the last few months it has become increasingly obvious that Lighthouse needed a new path and that path would require additional resources and more options than we could provide alone.

Today we are pleased to announce that LighthouseNOW and its publications have been purchased by Advocate Media Inc. of Pictou County.

Our family has been part of the community newspaper industry for 47 years. Over that time I grew up with many of the newspaper families still publishing today. Sean Murray and the Advocate team are not strangers to us. This independent, family-owned printing and publishing company shares our vision and understanding of the important role community newspapers play.

Advocate Media Inc. brings resources, expertise and a commitment to community and Nova Scotia that we couldn't have found in another buyer. We believe that we have found the best possible team to carry on our work and to ensure that Lunenburg County continues to be served by a true community newspaper. We know they will take up the challenge where we have left off.

There will be lots of change ahead but we believe this new path will benefit our readers, advertisers and the whole community. The success or failure of any local business is ultimately up to the community it serves. It's never been more important for all of us to recognize the role we play in helping local business thrive.

We are grateful to be welcomed into the Advocate family. A huge thank you to my Lighthouse family, our readers and our advertisers for your past and continued support.

LYNN HENNIGAR
Publisher



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TO THE EDITOR

Legal system repeatedly fails vulnerable women

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So it becomes relatively easy to portray a woman who has experienced violence as a person who is not a credible witness in a court of law. Of course her story may be jumbled, the details inconsistent, her demeanor frazzled. That is the nature of trauma.

The thing is, these trauma reactions fly in the face of the linear, logical, sequential, clear, concise picture required by police investigators and indeed the entire legal system and its judges and juries, in order to render decisions deemed to be just.

Most courtrooms, prosecutors and judges, unschooled in the impacts of trauma, make no allowances for mitigating the impacts of trauma or reducing the stress and triggers that distinctly and inherently disadvantage women from being able to act effectively on their own behalf in these situations. It further strips the woman of self-worth, self-confidence, dignity and agency, rendering her essentially impotent in her own defense. The same traumatic impacts of relationship violence are repeated systematically in the court room.

The defendant, having no requirement to testify at all, and by virtue of the “reasonable doubt” portrayed from her cross-examination, walks free, escaping accountability, and with considerable likelihood of harming more women in successive relationships. The sad reality for him is “not-guilty” deprives him of the impetus to get the help he needs to become the caring, respectful, non-violent man, partner and family member he may actually long to be.

The terrible irony of it is that women have virtually no incentive to pursue legal recourse for violent relationships or experiences when justice for them is so torturous and elusive. The low rates of reporting in general, and the less than five per cent rate of false accusations (same as false accusations for other crimes) bears this out.

Still, when a woman finally does come forward with compelling evidence, we neglect to treat that as a rare and precious opportunity to help a violent man get the help he needs and thereby prevent countless other women from being harmed at his hands.

And the victim? She becomes a survivor, albeit punished by the demons of trauma, betrayal, stigma, shame and ongoing fear as she struggles, sometimes for years or decades, to return to wholeness.

The Sexual Assault Services in Lunenburg/Queens project and the Be the Peace project (of Second Story Women's Centre and Harbour House) hosted two days of training on trauma to over 125 service providers ranging from police to lawyers to community services and health practitioners, in an effort to promote trauma-informed practices.

Until a trauma lens is embedded in our legal systems, the typical pattern is likely to continue for thousands of women, result in more emotional, physical, sexual trauma and preventable homicides of

women. To allow this to continue damages our integrity as a society, the vitality of our communities, and even our precarious economic success. Intimate partner violence costs Canadians \$7.4 billion per year.

Here's the second huge challenge that feeds a system that disadvantages women who need it most: There persists an entrenched collective perception of women, especially women who experience relationship violence, as over-reactive, victims, hypersensitive, hysterical or alternately, manipulative and vindictive. We do not first and foremost think of women as resilient, strategic, adaptive, strong and justifiably outraged at the violence perpetrated against them.

The culturally embedded degradation of women—in media, video games, entertainment, pornography, even politics—encourages us to perceive women victims of violence as losers, deserving of it, provoking it, their own fault, for which we then heap a massive dose of shame, stigma, ridicule, and guilt upon them. So when a man who has been violent receives a not-guilty verdict, we think “ah well, ‘he said, she said,’ she must have over-reacted, she must have deserved it, she must have hit him first, she lied, she was a controlling bitch anyway.”

I know of no other crime where our first and consistent collective impulse is to blame the victim, although racism and colonialism certainly have strong elements of that on a large scale. The abandonment by former friends, allies, colleagues, and even other women, is a personal and societal overlay almost too much to bear.

In hearing about a not-guilty verdict, the message to a woman who has experienced violence at the hands of a man who purported to love her is, “Yeah, of course he got away with it.” And then she may retreat back into her own cocoon of survival strategies knowing the justice system cannot be trusted, and justice is not available to her. More violence, more of the same pattern, more women and children harmed.

So all this begs a critical question: Who in our communities is this brand of justice actually serving?

SUE BOOKCHIN

(Bookchin was a Be the Peace Project co-ordinator. She lives in Mahone Bay)

Lovin' a Mahone Bay bistro

May I please use your medium to express how impressed my family are with the staff at Mateus Bistro, Main Street, Mahone Bay.

On July 3rd, my brothers Darrell, Lance, Shawne and my sister Debbie and my Mother Claudia Dunham had a reservation at Mateus Bistro for 7 p.m. July 3rd to celebrate a birthday.

We ordered our amazingly delicious meals and were half way to finishing and having such a lovely gathering when shockingly our brother Lance became violently ill and needed immediate medical attention.

Us being very frightened and worried, the waitress Jennifer from Liverpool and all of her staff came promptly to our rescue by immediately calling the Paramedics (who were there in less than 10 minutes). Fortunately at the table of 8 behind us there was a nurse who came right over to attend to our brother. She was amazing and so very kind. The entertainer that evening at Mateus, we found out was a Doctor, came and took care of our brother until the Paramedics arrived. The waitress bringing extra water and towels!

The kindness of all of the staff and other customers in the Restaurant, how respectful and private they kept everything, isolating the area we were in so as to prevent exposure to others and just being so attentive in making sure our brother was being cared for the whole time in a quiet and respectful way.

I can understand why Mateus Bristro is a 4.5 star restaurant, not only is the food superb but the service is absolutely the best I have ever experienced and I have traveled extensively and experienced many fine restaurants but none compare to Mateus Bistro.

From all of Dunham clan, thank you so very much Mateus Bistro for being so awesome at such a delicate time, we are truly grateful and for sure we will be back many more times. Our Brother Lance is on the mend and our family were so thankful we were all together when this medical emergency happened to him so we were all there for him at such delicate time.

Blessing to all of you and thank you so very much.

LEI-VALLI DUNHAM-THOMPSON

Bermuda

Column defended

A reader of your newspaper sent me of copy of a Letter to the editor published on June 10, 2015. It arrived a few hours before I left on a three week trip out of the country. Consequently, I had no time to reply to charges made against me by Ruth Mackay Brown. I am responding to her and this newspaper now.

I have had enough experience as a journalist over 40 years to agree that readers have a right to take issue with opinions expressed by journalists. But they have no right to charge that I have been misleading readers in a variety of medical ways for all these years. This statement was not sent personally to me. Rather, it was forwarded to thousands of readers through your newspaper. It contains lies, unfounded medical prognostications, and libelous accusations that must be challenged.

Ms. Brown states that I have been masquerading as an expert in my columns and that I have caused her family and friends to make ill-informed changes to their prescriptions. In addition, they have implemented costly supplemental regimens and made questionable changes to their diet in the hope of improving their health. They have done this against or without the advice of their doctor.

Ms. Brown remarks that she received a health science degree 25 years ago, but she is unaware that medical prescriptions may only be changed by a personal physician, not by a syndicated medical journalist. I have repeatedly stated in my column that readers should always consult their own physician on matters relating to my column.

Ms. Brown states “who knows if some of these cardiac events and other problems they have experienced could have been prevented.” In effect, she is telling thousands of readers that I may be responsible for whatever ill events she has in mind. Ms. Brown is short on specifics, but casts a long shadow with unfounded accusations.

Ms. Brown also writes that I “quote the writings of other people who are not even experts in the field in which he proffers advice.” I find it incomprehensible she should make this charge when there is no evidence to that effect. I have been writing this column for 40 years and during that time more than 60 national and international editors read it every week. I have never accused of quoting non-experts. Rather, the experts that I quote are professors and researchers at renowned universities and research centers. Nor have I ever received criticism from the scientific community stating that I am quoting non-experts.

Ms. Brown concludes that the Lighthouse Log is printing “misinformation of a sort” in Gifford's articles. Once again she is very short on specifics and doesn't even get the author's name correct.

Thus, her Letter to the Editor titled “Concern About column” is full of untruths, unfounded accusations and libelous charges that cannot be substantiated. It has resulted in my column being terminated and my reputation damaged in the eyes of thousands of readers.

W. GIFFORD-JONES M.D.

Consider Sunday parking fees

One has to wonder what all the fuss is about over the parking meter tickets in the Town of Lunenburg. A few of these frustrated drivers must have never parked and paid near the waterfront or in downtown Halifax, where you pay dearly.

Maybe it's a case of people not being able to tell time. I recommend a digital watch or more education.

The Lunenburg mayor and councillors should consider having drivers pay for Sunday parking. This Sunday collection money could then be put towards paying the salaries of the great cemetery workers. They were laid off early last fall in a money saving move. The money could also be put forward to installing more railings along sidewalks so we can tie our horses up as we shop.

The cemetery workers need to be kept on so that our ancestors aren't buried in piles of leaves all winter and the term “perpetual care” means just that when one purchases a \$700 lot. It's more like seasonal care at this time.

KEVIN HIMMELMAN
Lunenburg

Amalgamation a power grab

Gregg Ernst, thank you for your August 5 letter, entitled, “amalgamation a bad idea.” Thank you for being awake when most of us are distracted, entertaining visiting family and friends or away on vacation. Thank you for your astute and timely warning.

The mayors of the Municipality of Lunenburg, Bridgewater, Lunenburg and Mahone Bay are calling a public meeting for us to discuss amalgamation. Doing it at this time of year - with only five days' notice, yet - is as cynical as dropping the writ during a civic holiday, when our attention is fixated on trying not to burn the sausages on the grill, while making sure the baby doesn't drown in the plastic pool.

To be doing this in the name of “efficiency” is also pure cynicism. “Efficiency” has become a con word, con speak—like “The Fair Elections Act.” You know the opposite is true. So do the politicians who say it. They just hope there are enough of us who are nodding off and won't notice. Like grandpa after a heavy meal. That's how 80 per cent of us (plus Mr. Trudeau) nodded our heads for Bill C-51, until two astute legal experts woke us up. Then 80 per cent of us opposed it (to no avail, so far, alas).

Mr. Ernst has sounded the warning. It's time to wake up and to shout a resounding “no” to the cons. This is not “efficiency.” This is a power grab.

ANNA TAYLOR
Blockhouse

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Emma Zwicker, on a High Street bench, promotes the lemonade and fruitcup stand behind her, located outside the YMCA in Bridgewater, on Wednesday, August 5. The fundraiser supported the Lunenburg County YMCA.



KEITH CORCORAN PHOTO

Tentative plan for access to Sherbrooke Lake

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A workplan is being drafted to settle the tumultuous issue of public access to Sherbrooke Lake.

The Sherbrooke Lake Access Advisory Committee, which was tasked this spring with finding options for suitable access, met on July 28 to discuss what steps are needed before presenting a final report to the Municipality of Lunenburg (MODL) council.

Sherbrooke Lake, in northern Lunenburg County, is one of the largest lakes in Nova Scotia at roughly 14 kilometres long and three kilometres wide.

Eight committee members were present along with Trudy Payne, director of recreation services, and Chasidy Veinotte-Dorey, administrative assistant.

Three members of the public attended.

The committee decided public consultations were necessary to determine what type of access the community would like to see at Sherbrooke Lake.

A consulting company may be hired to communicate any questions the committee has and to determine the best possible way to do this either through surveys, public meeting, or focus groups.

If council agrees to move forward with a request for proposals, Payne said someone could be hired by October.

Property owners and people living around the lake will most likely be the committee's highest priority but communities elsewhere may be asked for their input.

In the meantime, information will be gathered on the lake's history and shore capacity.

To address the latter, the best practices of other communities who introduced public access to their lakes will be considered.

Payne said she will reach out to staff members in Kings County, which adopted its model for public access from the Muskoka region in Ontario.

Committee member John Budden offered Aylesford Lake as "a great example of a full-scale operation."

"They have a public boat launch, they have a beach, they have canteens and washrooms. They've got the whole nine yards."

Once the appropriate actions are in place, the committee will speak to council about what resources they will need to meet those goals.

The committee hopes to gather enough public input and research by December.

From there, the committee will decide on all suitable access points and submit an options report with recommendations to council, hopefully by next June.

Council has previously indicated to the committee that they step up the pace in resolving the issue of access.

At last week's meeting, member Jack Wentzell advocated for a balance between efficiency, responsibility and timeliness among committee members saying they should work at a speed which is reasonable but not drag on too long.



MICHAEL LEE PHOTO

Garth Bangay, a member of the Sherbrooke Lake Access Advisory Committee, draws out a potential plan for how to proceed in allowing public access to one of Nova Scotia's largest lakes.

He stressed the need for proper public consultation in order to reach a solution that will "reasonably satisfy everybody."

"Because we have to take — and I've always said that — we have to take into account the interests of the general public and we have to take in the interests of the landowners on the lake."

The committee agreed on including a set of criteria in their workplan for weighing the pros and cons of each access point they assess.

Member Larry Hagell said all locations should be given equal representation so when the committee reports to council, "At least I'll feel the diligence has been done that everything has been explored."

The committee also discussed the need to include the potential environmental impacts of public access and development in their report to council.

Payne said land use planning does impact the environment. "But I think it is part of the job to raise that. Not to figure it out but to raise some of the concerns."

Payne will have a draft plan completed in the coming weeks.

The meeting ended in camera with a discussion on land negotiations and the committee will vote on a chair at their next meeting.

Besides a few brief comments, little was mentioned of the Sherbrooke Lake Family Parks Society.

The society plans on purchasing 6.75 acres of land on the lake's southwest corner from Glendon and Alexander Wentzell for a family park.

They previously asked MODL to commit to developing an extension of Veinotte Road to allow for public access once the property is purchased.

This was met with opposition from landowners on the lake and eventually led to the formation of the advisory committee.

The committee told council last month it will work with the society in exploring the Veinotte Road option.

Wedding Announcement

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Quebec man's walk of positivity treks into Lunenburg County



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A middle-aged Quebec man found out he was in remission from colon cancer and decided to take to the streets hauling a makeshift rickshaw in an effort to extend public messages of encouragement, such as live a healthy lifestyle and set a positive example for children.

Cancer "changed everything" for Mikael Champagne, who started on his journey in April dragging a 200-pound-plus exercise bench behind him, and wants to raise awareness about a multitude of matters, including the importance of good health. It's not a fundraising kick. It's about putting forward an appreciation.

"I want people to understand how fragile we are. Don't take this for granted," he said when LighthouseNOW chatted with him along Bridgewater's Dufferin Street on Wednesday, August 5. "Life is not something that is given to you forever." His feeling is, "As long as you have it, you might as well do something good with it."

Champagne, who also has a blood disorder that impacts his legs, rolled into Lunenburg County that day with plans to trek into the Town of Lunenburg before going Halifax-bound.

Champagne's been floored by the equally positive response from well-wish-

ers who are cheering him on. Although he's unsure how much longer he'll walk, he wants to get to Prince Edward Island and Newfoundland and Labrador before he packs it in.

While in the county, Champagne hoped to find a place where he could take a shower (it had been three days since his last good wash). He's lost more than 40 pounds since he started his excursion.

Champagne continued his words of

wisdom before heading down Dufferin hill.

"Meaningless as people think their actions or gestures are, somebody sees it. Somebody notes every little gesture and the kids grasp everything we do," he said. "You're the example for the future. If it starts with you, the kids might follow it."

Anyone interested in following his travels, can track him via his Facebook profile under the name "Miguel Love."

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Mikael Champagne gestures to a photographer on Wednesday, August 5, as he makes his way down Dufferin Street in Bridgewater.

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Investigation deems Lower Branch fire accidental

By **MICHAEL LEE**
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A multi-alarm blaze just northwest of Bridgewater was caused by an electrical issue, Northfield district Fire Chief Darren Mulock confirms.

The fire investigation suggests the inferno that ravaged a two-story wooden house off Lower Branch Road on July 29 was accidental in nature.

Smoke was spotted coming out from the Lower Branch home by a neighbour who made the call at 10:18 a.m. At least eight departments called in to put out the blaze.

No one was in the home during the fire. The Northfield fire department was the first to respond to the alarm.

Once at the scene, the department alerted members from departments in Oakhill and Bridgewater, with whom Northfield has an automatic mutual aid agreement. Midville, Dayspring, Tri District, Conquerall Bank, Hebbleville and New Germany also joined in the effort.

Multiple other departments were put on stand-by while road blocks were placed on either side of Lower Branch Road at North King Street and Smith Road.

By 1:30 p.m., crews were packing up. In all, Mulock said between 50 to 60 members arrived.

He said the fire started on the first floor and moved to the second, with the bulk of damage eventually in the attic. "The upstairs is all burnt out."

The home is insured and the fire marshal was tasked with handling the case.

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It was a steady week with Lunenburg County firefighters answering 36 calls for service from Monday, August 3, to Sunday, August 9. Medical assist calls amounted to 22 of these alarms.

On August 3 at 10:29 a.m., Chester firefighters responded to a fire alarm sounding on King Street in Chester. It was a false alarm. At 12:36 p.m., Lunenburg firefighters responded to a motor vehicle accident in Centre.

On August 4 at 11:27 p.m., LaHave firefighters responded to a fire on a pole in Crescent Beach.

Chester Basin firefighters responded to a fire alarm sounding with smoke in the house in Chester Basin on August 5 at 12:43 a.m. Later that day, at 6:45 p.m., Chester firefighters responded to a fire alarm sounding in Chester. It was a false alarm.

On August 6 at 3:13 p.m., Chester firefighters responded to a fire alarm sounding on Naus Point Road in Chester. It was a false alarm. That evening at 8:03 p.m. Chester firefighters responded to an oven fire in Chester.

On August 7 at 3:25 p.m., Bridgewater firefighters responded to a gas leak on Dufferin Street in Bridgewater. It was reported to be a result of a car going over the concrete. Cornwall firefighters responded to a multiple vehicle accident that was reported to be in Lower New Cornwall at 5:42 p.m.. The accident ended up being in Newburne.

At 5:42 p.m., Lunenburg firefighters responded to a fire alarm sounding in Lunenburg. It was a false alarm. New Ross firefighters responded at 9:31 p.m. to a motor vehicle accident in the Forties. At 11:33 p.m., Western Shore firefighters responded to a car that hit an ATV in Beech Hill.

On August 8 at 5:09 a.m., Dayspring firefighters responded to a fire alarm sounding in Dayspring. It was a false alarm.

On August 9 at 5:44 p.m., Chester firefighters responded to a fire alarm sounding in Chester. It was also false alarm.

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House arrest sentence for rash of thefts

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A 23-year-old Chester Basin man who stole to get money for drugs will spend the next six months on house arrest.

Between August and December, 2014, Michael Savory stole from Sobeys, Canadian Tire, a scrap metal yard and from a parked vehicle.

On September, 17, 2014, he tried selling stolen wire back to a Gold River scrap yard he'd taken it from the night before.

"Trying to sell the wire back to the place where you stole it from the next morning reflects the desperation that he had," said his lawyer, Arthur von Kursell, in Bridgewater provincial court on August 4.

"This behaviour was fundamentally motivated by trying to get money to buy drugs. He's not doing that now," von Kursell added.

When police visited Savory's house, "he admitted to stealing the wire, identified another involved individual and stated that he was addicted to hydromorphone and spiralling out of control," said Crown attorney Leigh-Anne Bryson in court.

A month earlier, on August 24, 2014, Savory was found with \$218.91 worth of stolen scallops. A Fisheries and Oceans officer saw two men selling scallops out of the trunk of their car to a Chinese restaurant in Pictou.

The man whom Savory was with said he and Savory were fishermen selling their catch, but the officer noticed a Sobeys logo on the container.

Savory has a prior record that includes assault, breaching court orders, break and enter and theft.

Von Kursell said his client is now registered in an opiate replacement therapy program and has the continued support of his family.

"Mr. Savory offers no excuses for himself," said von Kursell. "He directly and candidly admits his responsibility."

Judge Paul Scovil accepted counsel's joint recommendation of a conditional sentence with six months house arrest and three months curfew.

"Mr. Savory, you're 23 and this is your second jail stint. It is a conditional sentence that they're asking for, but it is jail. Make no mistake about that," the judge said.

After Savory completes nine months of custody to be served in the community he'll be on probation for one year.

"This behaviour was fundamentally motivated by trying to get money to buy drugs."

Arthur von Kursell
Defence lawyer



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Probation sentence for stealing cheques

By **EMMA SMITH**
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A 35-year-old single father has been ordered to complete 24 months of probation for a number of offences, including stealing cheques from a woman he was working for.

In April 2015, Zachary Morgan stole a total of \$3,200.

The woman "thought she had lost her chequebook, but Mr. Morgan had taken that chequebook and wrote a total of 10 cheques between March and April, 2015 that he had cashed," Crown attorney Josh Bryson said in Bridgewater provincial court.

On August 6, Morgan was ordered to pay it all back.

Morgan's spent the last four months on house arrest for charges dating back to January 2013. That offence also involved stealing cheques - this time from his common-law partner - and depositing \$680 in his account.

He's since paid that money back and defence lawyer Cathy Benton said her client is ready to pay the remaining restitution immediately. Benton added that Morgan has an opiate addiction but has gotten himself clean.

"He detoxed himself on his own, which I understand is a very difficult process," said Benton, adding that he's attended counselling for relapse prevention.

Judge Paul Scovil accepted counsel's joint recommendation, saying the offences seem to be generated by his drug addiction.

"It seems you have gotten as much as a grip on it as you can, and it's a long hard road for you," said Scovil.

When asked if he had anything to say Morgan told the court, "I'm doing much better. I've realized the mistakes I've made and going forward trying to do better."

"I've realized the mistakes I've made and going forward trying to do better."

Zachary Morgan

THE COURT REPORT

Firearm possession. A Bridgewater man who pleaded guilty to possessing a weapon for a dangerous purpose and to breaching probation has been put on three months of house arrest, plus 18 months probation. On November 9, 2014 Lunenburg RCMP were called to a "a domestic dispute involving a firearm." Police were told that **Timothy Joudrey**, 49, who was inside, was wielding a firearm and an axe and threatening to use the weapons on himself. His wife and two sons were inside. His family eventually left the house and Joudrey followed shortly after, at which time he was arrested. When asked if he had anything to say, Joudrey said "I'd like to apologize to the courts for my bad decisions and my actions." Judge Paul Scovil responded that it's not him who he should be apologizing to. "And to my family," said Joudrey.

Attempted break and enter. A 37-year-old will spend the next year on probation after pleading guilty to attempting to break into a cottage in West Clifford. **Corey Maughn** admitted to using a "crowfoot pry bar on the screen of the cottage." On August 5, he told Bridgewater provincial court, "I'm sorry it all happened. It was foolish." Maughn has no prior criminal record.

Breathalyzer refusal. A 26-year-old who refused a breathalyzer test has been fined \$1,300 and ordered not to drive for one year. On May 14, **Chris Rafuse** was found by police asleep on a four-wheeler and smelling of alcohol. He had mistakenly gone to a house that he thought was his. In Bridgewater provincial court on August 5, Rafuse was also fined \$460.45 for operating an off-road vehicle without insurance. He has no prior related record. "It was a big mistake what I've done, but I learned my lesson and it will never happen again," said Rafuse in court.

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Arena closure leaves off-ice users out in the cold

By **STACEY COLWELL**
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With the permanent closure of the Bridgewater Memorial imminent, off-ice user groups of the facility have been scrambling to find new homes this summer.

"We have a letter of eviction," said Harry Cook, a board member of a seniors group that has held weekly card games at the arena for many years.

"We have to be out by August 31 and the doors will be locked, so everything has to be sold."

The group planned a moving sale for August 8. It has a new lease with the Bridgewater Curling Club, albeit with no kitchen facility and with fewer nights available to meet.

"Very little consideration was given to the thousands of hours of volunteer work that was responsible for putting that building there and running it over the years," said Cook.

"I'm very disappointed that the town didn't see fit to sit down with all the parties that used that building and see if there was some money on the table. I think everybody could have paid a little bit more and that might have made a difference, but they didn't take the time to find out."

Another longtime tenant of the arena, the Bridgewater Arnis De Mano martial arts club, will begin a new chapter in its history at the Bridgewater Baptist Church in September.

Arnis De Mano volunteer Colleen Skinner said the transition was difficult at first, but that the club hopes the move may lead to increased exposure in the community and new members.

"This [move] will impact the club in a positive way as we won't have to worry about limited space, [and will have] no future worries of this building being condemned and having to relocate."

Meanwhile, the town's sea cadets corps still hasn't found a new home.

"It isn't from us not looking," said administration officer Shelah Rafuse.

"What are we supposed to do? We have a timeframe of the 31st of August to be out and we have everything ready to go, but no place to put it."

Still, she said they will not fold and have begun looking at sites out of town as fallback options.

"It gets pretty discouraging. They should have told us this a long time ago not just had a meeting and said 'That's it.'"

Nearly 200 people attended a May meeting to implore the town to keep the facility open, but a week later council voted for permanent closure, citing financial reasons.

Rafuse said the cadets realized for some time that closure was a long-term possibility, but had no idea it would happen so soon.

"We were always told we'd know a year ahead of time. We didn't know it until that meeting was held at the fire hall."

Council voted on May 11 to permanently close the facility by August 31.

At issue was an annual operating deficit of more than \$170,000 at a time when the new Lunenburg County Lifestyle Centre, which includes an arena, is running a deficit that is costing the town more than \$400,000 this year. Besides the annual operating costs, the old arena was also facing high long-term capital expenses.

The town's recreation director did not reply to an inquiry from LighthouseNOW.

"We have a timeframe of the 31st of August to be out and we have everything ready to go, but no place to put it."

Shelah Rafuse
Bridgewater sea cadets corps

Church Lake public access a go

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The construction of an access point to Church Lake is underway after two years of discussions between various committees, the Municipality of Lunenburg (MODL) council and the public.

Crews are currently working on the municipally-owned land and Trudy Payne, director of recreation for MODL, said the first phase — a parking lot, boat put-in and dock — will be completed by the end of the summer.

"And we still plan to make that timeline," she said in an e-mail to LighthouseNOW.

MODL will spend \$137,000 on the project and \$15,000 for a concept plan.

Last month, the municipality received \$28,000 from the Department of Health and Wellness through the recreation facilities development grant, short of their original \$37,000 request.

In August 2013, over 100 people gathered at a public meeting in Parkdale-Maplewood to provide input on public access. By October, council agreed to develop the property.

The final boat put-in will be for canoes, kayaks and small fishing boats while the parking lot will fit three to six vehicles with room for trailers.

In June 2014, the Church Lake Access Community Advisory Committee was formed and a dock, or floating wharf, was later added to the list of features.

The trail and any additional parking will be completed in future phases.

To address concerns over parking, last year the Community and Cultural Services Standing Committee recommended council look into purchasing an adjacent lot.

The municipality approached Gilbert Falkenham, a general contractor and developer out of Barss Corner, who owns the land directly south of MODL's property.

His land includes a boat launch which Falkenham said he has never refused anyone from using as long as they're not suspected of stealing.

He said he was approached about possibly selling his land but never heard back from council.

When asked why council chose not to buy Falkenham's land, Payne said, "The municipality made the decision to develop the access point on MODL's property."

She said if additional space is needed the municipality will develop whatever property remains.

Payne could not confirm whether council would consider purchasing other properties and said, ultimately, the decision lies with MODL.



MICHAEL LEE PHOTO

Rocks, dirt and mud sit scattered across the area where crews are working to build a long-awaited public access point into Church Lake.

But Falkenham doesn't think the new parking lot will accommodate the amount of foreseen traffic.

Cars are able to park just outside Falkenham's property via the road limit potentially blocking access to his boat launch.

Falkenham can't control this and would like to see "No Parking" signs posted.

The road is under provincial jurisdiction but Payne said, "If parking becomes an issue the municipality will endeavour to work with the province concerning this matter."

But Falkenham added there are stone steps on his property which lead into the lake.

"The only decent place to walk is here," he said while pointing out the spot to LighthouseNOW.

Found at the point where his lot and MODL's meet, he said he can't control who walks along those steps and questioned why council didn't just buy his property.

Conestoga-Rovers & Associates was consulted over public access and a wet land delineation and topographical survey have been completed.

There is currently one contractor hired to build the parking lot with one supplier, and possibly a second, providing the boat put-in and dock.

The parking lot is set to be completed by the end of August while the boat put-in and dock will be installed in September.

Payne said the municipality is excited about the project and is looking forward to hosting a grand opening.



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Columbia sails into Lunenburg

Replica of American schooner, rival to Bluenose

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The Columbia, seen as the American counterpart to Bluenose II, recently arrived in Lunenburg after setting sail from Panama City, Florida, nearly one year ago.

The original schooner launched in the 1920s from Gloucester, Massachusetts, and used to race against the original Bluenose in international races.

The Columbia was lost in 1927 after the August gales sunk the famed ship.

The replica was modelled after the original drawings and took about five years to build.

A steel hull replica was fashioned by Eastern Shipbuilding Group in Panama City while the rigs, masts, sails, stainless steel fittings and blocks were all built by companies in Lunenburg County, including Blue Rocks Timber Framers (Cutwater Marine Services), Stand Fast Fittings, Michele Stevens Sailloft, Covey Island Boatworks and A. Dauphinee & Sons.

Jacob Stevens, project manager for the Columbia, drove all the way from Panama City to witness the ship's arrival.

He said he owes a lot to the people of Lunenburg for their expertise, calling the town a "one-stop shop."

"To build a complete rig up here and to build a hull down in Florida and then bring the two together and have them fit like a kid's glove was just, it was special," he said.

Alan Hutchinson, president of Covey Island Boatworks, said it was "outstanding" to finally see the finished Columbia arrive in Lunenburg highlighting the blend of new and traditional processes which went into the build.



MICHAEL LEE PHOTO

The Columbia used to race against the Bluenose before sinking in 1927 after the August gales.

"I think it's a tremendous showcasing of Lunenburg County's talents."

The Columbia is equipped with modern-day technology such as radar and engine controls which are hidden in retractable boxes.

There are eight crew members currently stationed on the schooner but for longer trips and competitions, it will need 12 to 14.

Dorian Steele, president of Blue Rocks Timber Framers and head rigger for the Columbia project, said having much of the work done locally is fantastic for the province and especially for the county.

The Columbia had relatively few issues throughout its voyage.

It arrived in Lunenburg at the same time Bluenose II was repairing a failed bearing in its helm pump which saw boat tours recently cancelled.

Eastern Shipbuilding Group has already finished a hull for a second ship with the same group in Lunenburg working on the sails, masts and rigs.

The captain of the Columbia largely determines where the ship will go from here but Stevens said it will be making an appearance back in Gloucester by Sept. 4 for its schooner fest.

"It's a real feather in Lunenburg County and Nova Scotia's cap you know. To have such a talented group of shipwrights and sail makers and riggers here and unfortunately it's a real dying art."

The price tag for the Columbia comes at over \$20 million, roughly the same as rebuilding of Bluenose II.

Considering both ships used to race each other back in the day, Stevens said he absolutely felt a competitive edge when constructing the Columbia.

"I don't know if the configuration in both hulls would be fair one way or the other. Regardless of that it would be fun to see them perform together because I know when the sails are up, the juices are going to be flowing in the crew and the captain," said Stevens.

"So I hope to see that day."

The ship will remain in Lunenburg for three weeks, splitting time between the Fisheries Museum of the Atlantic and Steele's dock where he and his crew will perform maintenance work on the Columbia's rigging and spars.

Chester fire committee loses two members

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Two fire commissions have pulled out of the advisory committee in the Municipality of Chester (MODC) over concerns about the makeup and productivity of the committee itself.

Tammy Wilson, MODC's Chief Administrative Officer, confirmed that the municipality received letters on July 27 from the Chester Basin and Western Shore fire commissions, removing themselves from the Fire Advisory Committee (FAC).

"Council hasn't discussed the correspondence," said Wilson, speculating that it would not be on council's agenda until August 17.

What the absence of two of the seven fire commissions means for the functioning of the committee, Wilson could not say until council weighs in.

"[Council] will have to decide, kind of, what does it mean. Are they going to continue with the committee? Are they going to take this opportunity to look at something different?" said Wilson.

Wendy Rafuse, who is a member of the Chester Basin commission and was the chair of the FAC until her resignation when her commission left the committee, cited "differences of opinion" as the reason for Chester Basin's actions.

"It was getting nowhere. Nothing was being resolved," said Rafuse. She refused to specify what those differences were.

Trouble around the FAC has been brewing for some time. This spring, MODC council struck a committee,

referred to as the P-66 committee, to review the terms of reference of the FAC.

Discussions of that committee have bogged down on the makeup of the FAC, specifically on the question of whether the chiefs of the seven fire departments should be included in the committee and which members should be allowed to vote.

According to the municipal policy defining the Fire Advisory Committee, P-66, the purpose of the committee is "to review and recommend upon issues pertaining to the development and maintenance of cost effective fire and emergency response services..."

Membership consists of one member of each of the six fire commissions in the municipality and one from the Village of Chester commission, which acts as a fire commission. Two MODC councillors are also on the committee but do not have a vote. All members are entitled to vote and quorum for the meeting is two thirds of the voting members. The liaison to the council is the MODC Fire Services Coordinator.

The committee, however, is entirely voluntary and is not mandated through any provincial legislation governing fire and emergency services.

Many interviewed for this story were quick to point out that this is an administrative issue and not an operational one. In no way will fire or emergency services be affected in either of the communities or across the municipality.

"We will respond, and help other departments and they will help us," said Rafuse.

New municipal planning strategy developing in MODC

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New goals and planning areas are some of the progress thus far from a 10-month process aimed at developing a new planning process for the Municipality of Chester.

MODC council received an update at its July 30 council meeting of the work being carried out by the Citizen Planning Advisory Committee (CPAC) and municipal staff.

"So through the plan review process, what we really wanted to know is, is this working, what goals might we want to do and how can we best move the community forward," Sean Gillis, planner with MODC.

The effort has included seven separate public sessions, one in each municipal electoral district.

As a result, the CPAC defined a series of broad goals based on what was heard from the public. Sought is a community that: Safeguards natural environment. Celebrates character and heritage. Builds a strong economy. Offers appropriate housing choices. Enjoys good social and physical health.

How those goals are realized becomes a bit more complicated as it remains the municipality's overall philosophy to not have strict planning hinged on "detailed land use control."

So rather than basing the plan on zones, and dictating specific activities that can occur in them, CPAC has opted on identifying planning areas, portions of the municipality that share similar characteristic and planning needs.

The defined areas are: rural area, char-

acterized by more land than people a mix of land uses; rural settlement, which would be small subdivisions or areas like the 40s; hamlets such as New Ross, Chester Basin and Western Shore; and major hamlets or villages, like Chester of Hubbards.

Councillors were reassured that none of the new plan would erode the capacity of areas like Hubbards or Chester to define their own identities or result in a need to conform to identities defined in other areas.

Also part of the plan is for growth management, which would encourage more compact forms of development in areas that are easy to service, like hamlets, and giving more standards for larger developments.

More public consultations are planned for this September and October. There is a session specifically for the Village of Chester slated for August 19.

The planning review process began in 2014 to address some of the concerns around zoning within the municipality and the prospect that the current regime maybe insufficient to meet future pressures.

"The current municipal planning strategy is structured so that most of the municipality is in the general basic zone, so it's a fairly basic level of zoning and it has fairly broad land uses allowed and minimal controls," said Gillis.

Although the thinking is at, what Gillis called, a "high-level" there is specific consensus on what is not wanted.

"There have been a lot of comments like 'we don't want to see New Minas here,'" said Gillis.

"There have been a lot of comments like 'we don't want to see New Minas here.'"

Sean Gillis
MODC planner

Sailing down the LaHave

Young instructors offer skills and knowledge to a new generation

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The sun is beaming down on a small wooden building off the LaHave River. Inside, Sophia Josenhans is addressing a small enclave of kids.

The wind is behind them today and she asks, "So, what are we going to do?" All sails down, they reply.

The instructions are set and their bags are packed with lunch money and sunscreen. The troops walk out and gather their boats as the wind continues to rustle the water. Each vessel towers over its smaller captain.

Three boats make it out. Motorized boats tag along, guiding the armada on a journey for food at the LaHave Bakery.

The three guides are young instructors at the LaHave River Yacht Club and they're looking to spark more interest in future sailing enthusiasts.

The program is called Learn To Sail, offered for nearly two decades at the nonprofit club, giving a crash-course for beginners and enhanced training for seasoned sailors. It runs for eight weeks and is broken up into two and one-week sessions with up to 20 kids in each class. The club also receives a grant from Canada Summer Jobs.

At 19, this is Josenhans' third year teaching and first as head instructor.

A science student at the University of King's College in Halifax, she calls herself a "born and bred sailor" having taken up the sport at age eight when she moved to Lunenburg from Connecticut.

"It's just the perfect thing to do," she said. "You get to be on the water, get to help kids, get to do what I love."

First-time instructor Coleman Merry, 17, said many are looking for something to do while vacationing at their summer cottages attracting locals and others across Nova Scotia.

But the club has seen many out-of-town visitors as far away as Thailand, the U.S.A., Sweden, Norway and the Netherlands.

Every instructor must be qualified under CanSail, the governing body for Canadian sailing, in order to

teach.

Learn to Sail bases its lessons on CanSail's six stages, with a minimum level of five needed to teach.

Mitch Gregory, 16, and another first-time instructor, said sailing is a "social sport" making the exchange of information important.

"If you can't talk on a boat, then you're in a hole," he said. "You're in trouble because you've got to be able to communicate."

Kids learn skills, such as how to rig and maneuver a boat and how to read the wind and weather, during the first week or two of the program. Josenhans looks at perfecting those skills but she also tries to instill confidence in her students. It's the biggest issue she sees considering how many have sailed before.

"These kids don't even know how to drive a car," she said. "They're not used to being in control of something let alone doing it out on the water when there's wind and waves and other people cruising around." The latest batch of students, most of whom were beginners, made this slightly more challenging.

"The first few days we had a lot of nervous faces," Josenhans added, "but they're having a good time now. It's going quite well."

A summer of classes is one thing, but maintaining those skills later in life is another.

Ken Houldsworth runs the program and hopes kids will come out with a greater appreciation for the sport knowing they've built a skill with few opportunities to learn it.

"But I would like to think that they would be able to get a confidence out of it."

The best indicator for Josenhans is when she sees someone go on to teach.

"I definitely feel we've done a good job," she said, "and we've really accomplished something when we actually strike up the passion in them to be an instructor and continue their sailing."

For Gregory, he's happy just to be on the water every day and hopes the other kids have the same experience he did when he started.

"Just to be able to love the sport and have fun around your peers," he said. "And sunny weather all day."



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Sophia Josenhans guides a couple of young sailors trying to cruise their boat towards the dock.

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South Shore in Motion



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A photographer races to get a good angle of smoke billowing into a bright red car during the burnout event.



Left: A staff member sweeps up the ashes during the burnout event.

Right: A driver peers out his window to see how much traction his tires are getting.



All sorts of vehicles made an appearance at Bridgewater's South Shore in Motion.



Crowds watch as another truck gets ready to pull some weights.

Bridgewater was once again treated to loud trucks and burnt rubber at this year's South Shore in Motion. What the weekend may have lacked in clear weather it certainly made up for in gas and dirt as people crowded the stands at Exhibition Grounds to witness the onslaught of pure metal mayhem.

Greens seek change in South Shore-St. Margaret's

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With the federal election well underway, Nova Scotians living in the riding of South Shore-St. Margaret's are finally meeting the slate of fresh faces vying for the coveted MP moniker.

One of the newest, and youngest, contenders to join the race is 32 year-old Green party candidate Richard Biggar of Hubbards.

A B.C. native, Biggar spent the first 18 years of his life out west before joining the army right out of high school.

He served for three years and did a NATO peacekeeping tour in Bosnia, an experience he called eye-opening - yet disheartening.

"I felt good that I was able to help people," he said.

After his service, Biggar attended Langara College in Vancouver earning a diploma in criminal justice and moved to Nova Scotia seven years ago with his wife.

Since then, Biggar has worked at Burnside Correctional Facility as an officer and most recently as a front-line supervisor.

Now, as a candidate for the Greens, Biggar is taking a shot at public service - citing the climate and electoral reform as most important to him in this election.

"Without addressing those two issues, unfortunately, I feel like we're going to be stalemated," he said.

Not trying to undermine the importance of growing problems like sustainable health care, it's the inaction towards climate change which Biggar believes will undermine any chance at addressing the former.

"It's going to plunge us back into the dark ages."

Biggar said the opportunity exists in South Shore-St. Margaret's for green jobs and a green economy in conjunction with accountability and regulation.

He supports the opposition to an asphalt plant in Tantallon and is seeking greater regulation for projects with potential environmental impacts, citing his own in-laws in Chester Basin whose well-water was poisoned with arsenic after gold mining hit the area over 100 years ago.

"These things affect people for a long time if they're not done correctly," he added.

Biggar also condemned Canada's shifting role on the world-stage from that of a renowned peacekeeping nation to a warmongering one.

He criticized the "background noise" of Canada's bureaucracy and the first-past-the-



Richard Biggar, Green Party candidate for South Shore-St. Margaret's.

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post voting system for the swath of nation-wide voter apathy, while calling Bill C-51 a "reflection of the [USA] Patriot Act but way worse."

But with a number of sitting MPs choosing not to run again, Biggar said it's "refreshing" to see the four candidates running in South Shore-St. Margaret's are new.

Some, like Conservative nominee Richard Clark, are as young as 23.

Biggar isn't concerned about a perceived lack of experience saying it will work to his advantage.

His only concern, he said, is change adding Canadians are smart people who know what's at stake.

"We know when something is important," he said.

With a longer election, Biggar said the length of the campaign will give him more time to talk with people at a grassroots level, choosing not to rely on taxpayer dollars despite the Greens not being a "wealthy party."

When asked about taking the seat in a long-held Conservative riding, Biggar said, "I think we should take every riding."

Former Conservative MP Gerald Keddy held onto South Shore-St. Margaret's for 18 years but Biggar said he's confident the Greens can win the riding.

"What has 18 years done for us? Nothing," Biggar said. "Our children are gone. There are no jobs here. So, like I said, Canadians are very smart people. We're intelligent. They're open minded and progressive. We realize this. The status quo is not okay."

There are many items on Biggar's agenda and several weeks to go before voters choose a victor.

Throughout the coming election the environment will continue to stand as Biggar's first priority.

"Everything is second right now to our environment and we can be a leader again on a global scale when discussing the environment."

As mentioned, Biggar's competition includes Shelburne County resident Clark of the Conservatives, who held a policy job in Ottawa with the Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency before seeking political office. The other candidates in the riding are school teacher and New Germany resident Alex Godbold who's running for the NDP, and West Dublin resident Bernadette Jordan of the Liberals. Jordan's known for her work with the fundraising arm of the two Lunenburg County hospitals.

Election day is October 19.



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PROVINCE AWARDS BRUHM ROAD WORK

Nova Scotia's Department of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal recently awarded Dartmouth-based Brycon Construction a \$615,495 contract to design, build and install a replacement structure on Bruhm Road in Branch LaHave where the road and culvert washed out last December. Work is tentatively slated to start August 24, department spokesman Brian Taylor said in an e-mail. The job is expected to take up to six weeks to finish. Flooding and road closures were reported between December 10 and 11 when over 100 millimetres of rain fell in various parts of the province.

Officials emphasize boating safety

Recreational boating is in full swing and law enforcement is emphasizing to vessel operators to safely navigate the waters.

Participants of water activities are encouraged to be courteous, and boaters are asked to reduce speeds. Such behaviour can go a long way for residents, boaters, swimmers, and others, officials say.

Transport Canada identified speeding and creating wake among the significant issues when it comes to safety on the water. "A wake can be created with little speed, but can cause damage to boats secured at nearby wharves, or injury to occupants of those secured boats," Transport Canada boating safety officer Michael Norris said in a statement posted on the Municipality of Lunenburg web site.

Norris' agency, the municipality, along with the police, Canadian Coast Guard, issued an awareness piece concerning safe boating along Lunenburg County's coastline.

"A wake can cause a vessel or other vessels to capsize, or even cause damage to property and fixtures along the shoreline."

The offence of careless operation of a boat, under small vessel rules, carries a fine of \$350.

The narrow channel "between Indian Point Road and Gifford Island in Mahone Bay" is one of the areas of concern in the Municipality of Lunenburg, Trudy Payne, the municipality's recreation director, said in the statement. "Boaters should use caution here ... reduce your speed when entering this channel to help keep everyone safe."

Don't ruin other people's fun by being a safety hazard, suggested Lunenburg County RCMP Staff Sgt. Jean-Guy Richard. "We have been notified of dangerous boating activities in the area and would like to get the message out to enjoy the water but do so safely," he said in the statement.

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Don't forget herbs. Fresh chopped mint or lemon balm can often improve the character of an everyday salad. Are your herbs flowering? Toss a few of the flowers on as well for both taste and appearance.

Now that your salad has body, it's time to dress it up.

Basic Vinaigrette

Add flavour notes to make any kind of vinaigrette you like, such as chopped fresh herbs, garlic, spices; your imagination's the limit here.

Ingredients

1 T vinegar (any kind you like—white, red, balsamic, apple cider—or substitute lemon or lime juice)
3 T olive oil or nut oil

Directions

Whisk vinegar and oil together. Dress salad and serve immediately.

Basic Creamy Dressing

I like to add a good handful of chopped fresh herbs to this dressing.

Ingredients

2 t mustard
3 T plain, full fat yogurt
Salt and pepper to taste
2 T white wine vinegar or lemon juice

Directions

Whisk together the mustard, mayonnaise, salt, sugar, and pepper in a mixing bowl until well combined. Add the vinegar and whisk until smooth. Toss with salad greens and serve.

Blue Cheese Dressing

Enjoy this dressing with a slice of iceberg to make a traditional wedge salad, as a dip for hot wings, or on any kind of salad you like. I especially enjoy blue cheese dressing on chopped fresh tomatoes.

Ingredients

1 c crumbled blue cheese
1/4 c sour cream
1/4 c buttermilk
2 T plain, full fat yogurt

2 T white wine vinegar or lemon juice
Salt and pepper to taste

Directions

Combine blue cheese and sour cream in a mixing bowl and mash with a fork until well combined. Add buttermilk, yogurt, and vinegar or lemon juice. Taste, then season with salt and pepper as desired.

Either serve or store immediately. Dressing will keep in a covered container in the refrigerator for up to a week.

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ELISABETH BAILEY

Betty's Bite

Folk fest love story

By **EVAN BOWER**

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Many musicians have fallen in love with the South Shore at the Lunenburg Folk Harbour Festival, and at least two have fallen in love with each other.

Paul and Eilidh Buchanan met at the festival in 2004, when Eilidh traveled to Lunenburg from Scotland to play with her seven-piece celtic band, Brolum.

When the group was invited to play in 2004, its male vocalist and guitarist Andy Webster was already booked to play in Goderich, Ontario, but the group couldn't pass up the opportunity and went on without him.

The band had just recorded a new CD, but couldn't get them pressed in time before leaving for Canada. They were counting on CD sales to help finance the trip, so they had to scramble for extra gigs to make up that money.

"Somebody said, 'Oh, there's somebody that books acts in the area, we should introduce you to him,'" said Eilidh. "That first night ... they introduced me to Paul."

The two hit it off. Although none of the shows Paul booked for the band panned out, Eilidh didn't hold it against him.

After she went back home, the two traveled back and forth to see each other over the next nine months, alternating each month between Scotland and Canada.

"It just all went on the credit card, and it wasn't good," Eilidh said with a laugh. "But it was really special, and when you meet somebody and you know, well, we weren't even thinking about the money."

Eventually Eilidh got a working visa and moved to Canada, and the two got married in August 2009, on Folk Harbour weekend.

"It's just a special weekend for us, so it seemed like the right weekend to get married," said Eilidh. "Although it was a shame because we were so busy with our wedding, we didn't really get to much of Folk Harbour. So it really defeated the purpose."

Since then the two have settled in Mahone Bay, and have had two children, their daughter Eilean, 6, and son Rory, 3. After years of traveling teaching music lessons in Bridgewater and at the Lunenburg Academy, they opened Buchanan's Music Centre, a music education centre and retail store just down the street from their house.

The school now has seven teachers, and over 100 students attending each week.



EVAN BOWER PHOTO

Eilidh and Paul Buchanan created their music centre by renovating an old Mahone Bay home.

Paul and Eilidh have played together in many different forms since meeting, in larger bands and as a duo. They've taken part in Folk Harbour many years, including teaching a fiddle workshop and are playing at the Lunenburg Bandstand this summer.

Learning to play as a duo had its challenges. Paul had never played Celtic music before, and Eilidh wasn't sure what to add to Paul's pop songs.

"That was really cool, it was a big learning curve," said Eilidh. "They're both such different styles, but now we play together all the time."

Adding to the legend, Andy Webster, the Brolum band-member whose busy schedule almost kept Eilidh from going to Lunenburg in the first place, fell in love and married a woman he met at his prior commitment in Goderich.

"Then they came [to Nova Scotia] on their honeymoon and loved it, so they actually moved here a few years ago," said Eilidh. "Now he's in my Celtic band that I have here now. We get to play together again, it still feels so surreal. I love that a part of Scotland is here with me."

It's no wonder that even the Buchanan kids see a causal relationship between the festival and the couple, even if they haven't nailed down the details yet.

"Was there a Folk Harbour before the store?" asked their daughter Eilean, as they walked down the street to the storefront.

Eilidh explained that she and Paul met at the festival, and have their family and store because of it.

"I'm glad you went to Folk Harbour," Eilean responded.

Ten things you didn't know about ...

Jeff Davis, American musician, collector of traditional music and long-time guest of the Lunenburg Folk Harbour Festival

1. Bought his first banjo with money he'd saved from his first ever pay cheque working at a supermarket bagging groceries.
2. Wears home-made brown leather shoes his wife Lisa makes specially for him.
3. Thinks the South Shore is "staggeringly beautiful" and the first thing he does when he arrives in Lunenburg is have a meal overlooking the harbour.
4. Lost his voice during his first performance at the Lunenburg Folk Harbour Festival with his band Loggerheads in 1987. He jokes that the only reason he was welcomed back is because no one knew what he sounded like.
5. His 100-year-old father, a dentist by trade, still doesn't approve of Jeff's career path.
6. Had two rowdy ancestors – one was an alcoholic, the other ran off with the Irish house maid – who, both, like him, played banjo.
7. Fell in love with traditional folk music in Grade 7 when Frank Warner, a folk music collector, made a presentation to his class.
8. Isn't a capital 'V' vegetarian, but at home eats mostly veggies that he and Lisa grow in their backyard.
9. Has taken up rowing in his spare time on the quiet lake near his house in Woodstock, Connecticut.
10. Has attended 29 years of the Lunenburg Folk Harbour Festival, missing only the first one in 1986 because he had no sweet clue it existed.



10 Things

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Jeff Davis started playing music when he was seven on a piano he inherited from his grandmother. When he quit piano lessons years later he said he'd hit "a plateau of stunning, almost perfect mediocrity."

LIFESTYLES

Tracking the escape

WWII veteran's daring journey remembered through book

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When Gary DeMone finally saw the crater, he was both overwhelmed and impressed that it was still there.

Standing among the corn stalks, DeMone lowered his gaze and peered down into the conspicuous depression.

The surrounding land was tilled, yet weeds and bulrushes had crept in. It was sacred ground, the locals had said, and they vowed to never touch it.

DeMone spent 54 years thinking about this moment. He didn't know what to expect. Pacing in and around the crater, he kicked away at some dirt and then he found something.

He picked it up and in his hands lay a piece of worn metal – an artifact. He tried again and found another. They were among the final remnants of a wreckage defined by years of war.

Two people had died at the spot. Another was captured and spent three years at various camps across eastern Europe. The fate of the other remains a mystery.

But there was one who escaped: A Canadian; a lone soldier sneaking his way through enemy territory aided by people willing to risk their lives for his.

That man was Gary's uncle.

Sgt. Harold Edison DeMone, a Bridgewater native, enlisted with the Royal Air Force (RAF) eager to play his part in WWII.

He originally wanted to be a pilot but resorted to a position as gunner because he was colourblind.

On June 2, 1942, Harold took part in a nightly raid across Essen, Germany, when his bomber was shot down by a fighter plane over Belgium.

He managed to jump out of the burning plane and parachuted into Mechels Broek in the area of Mechelen, Belgium, about 25 kilometres northeast of Brussels. The plane crashed near the Town of Perk, just south of where Harold landed.

Growing up, Gary developed a tremendous interest in his uncle and even flew planes himself for over 40 years. He knew about Harold's time in the war, how he was shot down and escaped through Belgium, but the elder DeMone was forever quiet about some of the more intimate details.

"He was very, like most veterans were, very tight-lipped about his activities," said Gary. "Which just further aggravated me because I really wanted to know a lot of information that he had."

It wasn't until Harold passed away in 1989 when Gary truly began to see the full scope of what his uncle went through.



MICHAEL LEE PHOTO

Gary DeMone holds up a few pieces of metal found at the site where the plane his uncle Harold, a WWII veteran, flew in crashed along with the book written about his escape through German-occupied Belgium.

He read notes from his uncle's diary detailing what happened and gathered hearsay from various family.

He learned his uncle found a farmer who offered food and civilian clothes. Harold then tread his way through the Belgian countryside and eventually found refuge at the Horckmans brewery in Humbeek. He hid in the attic and at night, would peer out a single window to watch German soldiers pass by.

Today, Gary understands the effect an event like that could have on an individual's psyche.

"It tends to change your personality a bit and the roles he had to play to survive and escape leaves an impression on your mind."

Harold later received help from the Comet line, a Belgian resistance group that aided Allied forces trapped behind enemy lines. The group is named after the route it took through Belgium, France and Spain to help soldiers escape to the U.K. Harold would be the first Canadian to use the Comet line and throughout the war, many members of the group were killed for their efforts.

"It's a very deadly business trying to help people escape," said Gary.

Using forged documents, the Comet line worked to get Harold undetected all the way to Gibraltar, Spain, akin

to what might be seen in a spy flick.

"It was literally a James Bond movie back in the 40s," said Gary.

Finally, after more than a month of hiding, Harold landed on a ship to Scotland and his military career came to a close.

Harold was awarded the Distinguished Flying Medal by King George VI and was recognized by the city council in his hometown of Bridgewater.

Then a few years ago, Gary stumbled on the name of a Belgian author, Stany Moortgat, who had already chronicled Harold's story in a book titled "Escape from the Enemy." Moortgat came across Harold's name from the brewery owner and spent two years writing and researching. He learned about the Comet line and even contacted Harold's daughter, Heather, and nephew, David. The photos and articles they provided depicted Harold as a war hero who was praised for his daring escape. Gary felt honoured knowing someone who never knew Harold and had never been to Canada, let alone Bridgewater, decided to take the time to write about him.

"I think some people you can just tell that they're very reputable and I got a good vibe from him and told him that I'd like to visit the crash site and retrace the steps."

In September 2014, Gary finally took those steps.

"Standing next to the hole where my uncle crashed, the airplane crashed, left an impression on me," said Gary. "The most impressive thing to him, however, was the "true kindness and nature of the Belgian people."

"The very fact that we come back and even thank them for some of their contributions, they just light up."

But most news stories, while interesting at the time have a short shelf-life.

Gary isn't looking to make any money from this venture, having printed the English version of the book himself, but he hopes to someday give a donation to the DesBrisay Museum in Bridgewater and pay royalties to Moortgat. Nevertheless, Gary said his uncle would be proud knowing someone had enough interest to share his story of survival and the lengths others took to preserve it.

"Too bad it didn't happen sooner," he said with a laugh.

Earlier at the crater, Gary remembered something strange happening.

Just as he took a photo, a plane flashed by. A mere coincidence perhaps.

Then, while walking along the road, his wife noticed a pair of flowers growing on the shoulder – two poppies tucked between the stone and asphalt.

"And that was the only flower we saw in the area."

The changing face of communities

Walk through any 1800's small town main street in Nova Scotia and they would look very similar. Gravel streets, one day wet and muddy; the next, dry and dusty. There would be a variety of building designs and colours. Windows would provide much of the inside light.

Sidewalks, if they existed at all, would be made of wood. Stores overflowed into the street. Stores would hang clothing and other goods from the outside. The smell of fresh baked goods would linger in the air.

Until cars became common place, horses or oxen would be commonplace, adding to the familiar smells. Carts and wagons would be driving on the left side of the street, a practice that continued until 1923 in Nova Scotia.

A walk down Commercial Street, Bridgewater, prior to the Great Commercial Street Fire of 1899, would be vastly different than today. That fire changed the landscape on the morning of January 12, 1899. Decades old wooden buildings disappeared. The previous waterfront had been obscured by buildings on stilts, hugging the shoreline. Following the fire, the new town (February 13, 1899) decided to limit building on the now open waterfront.

While it is believed the oldest home in Bridgewater is the Ramey house on LaHave Street, another home would have been the site of the first recorded land sale. Nicholas Conrad held deed to a property on the corner of present-day Phoenix and King Streets. He sold the property of one-acre to Ralph Hotchkiss, a shoemaker for a payment of five pounds in boots and shoes.

This home was a low, two-storey building and dimensions would seem strange to today's visitor. The inside stairway was two-feet in width and lead to the upstairs. There were two very small rooms on the second floor, and a third room which appeared to be more of a hallway than a room. This home was later enlarged by

Philo Beardsley. The Beardsley family came to the NS valley in the late 1700's. The first Beardsley was believed to have arrived in the Colonies in 1635 from England. Philo's wife was Freelove Durland, and they eventually owned much of the land in the Phoenix Street (Beardsley Lane) area. This home was taken down in 1875. It had served as a post office for over four years.

About 1812 a home that was suitable for a good-sized family was built on the corner of Commercial and Pleasant River Road (King and Victoria Road). This home was described as being about 26 x 34 feet with the first floor made of split stone. The chimney was very large and went through the center of the house. It had a brick oven on one side and a closet on the

other. The corners of this house were made of hewn beams. The spaces between the beams were filled with pine boards about 24 inches in width.

The second story floor was framed with timbers about 7 inches square, 4 feet apart. It was said that the nails, averaging 4-5 inches in length, were placed so close together that the hammer used to remove them had barely enough room between each nail. This home was taken down about 1874, and became the site of William J. Wentzell's home.

Another home, circa 1815 can still be found at the top

of Pearl Street. This home, then on the Pleasant River Road, was owned by George Himmelman. Dean Wile purchased this home, later occupied by Wynn Crouse and family. It made its way into the family that still owns it today. It commands a wonderful view of the surrounding neighbourhood standing at the entrance to the community.

Hotels nestled onto Commercial Street providing comfort to travelers and locals alike. The first hotel was run by James Starratt. It sat on the upper side of Commercial Street, almost opposite the Champlain Bridge. This bridge was built in 1891, and opened to traffic on December 17 and remains operational today. This was the new bridge replacing wooden spans that dated back more than 60 years. It remained the only bridge in the town crossing the LaHave until the Veterans Bridge was opened on August 15, 1987.

The railway sat on the eastern side of the river. It occupied a large area, and travelers and supplies arrived from throughout Nova Scotia and beyond. Just up river, a large mill complex was built by Telfers, Caledonia, eventually becoming Brady's. The iconic noon whistle could be heard signaling lunch break for the workers.

The look and style of many of those buildings from the late 1800's recall a very different time in our growth. Stores changed from offering a variety of goods, using batter and exchange as well as money, with costs being low by today's standards, to stores specializing in selected items. Today, many stores are again offering a variety of items, from clothing, furnishings, a pharmacy, food and restaurants located under one roof.

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PETER C. OICKLE

A walk through our past

LIFESTYLES

Acadians and French-Canadian Genealogy

The Acadian & French-Canadian Ancestral Home website is celebrating its 17th anniversary. Since 1998, the site has grown to include extensive research material, including genealogies, historical documents, parish registers, research aids and related documents to help those descended from Acadian and French-Canadian ancestors, as well as those with Cajun and Franco-American ancestors.

The databases available include information on census records, ships' lists, Acadian deportation, lists of exiles, prisoners' lists, mtDNA and much more. The site is updated frequently, so if you haven't visited for a while, it may be time for another look.

The menu in the left margin is the best way to browse the site. At the top of the list are links to Lucie's Blogs, including Lucie's Legacy, Ancestral Home, Whispers Through the Willows and Petits Enfants Souvenir d'un vielard (information and lyrics to a song passed down through the generations).

There are a few dozen cemeteries listed for New Brunswick and Nova Scotia. Cemeteries are indexed and in many cases, digital images of the headstones accompany the transcriptions. Although the focus is on Acadians and families of French origin, cemetery listings often include everyone in that particular graveyard. Names such as Turner, McDonald and Fraser also appear.

I've visited many online cemetery indexes and digital image collections. Not all are put together as well as the database on this website. It is easy to navigate, and it is easy to read the inscriptions on the stones in the images.

The cemetery section includes a link to a PDF for "Operations at Fort Beauséjour and Grand Pré in 1755: A Soldier's Diary" by Jonathan Fowler and Earle Lockerby.

The mtDNA information provides mtDNA results and matrilineal lines for several women. For example, a direct female line starting with Catherine Bugaret and her husband Claude

Petitpas stretches eleven generations to Maria Breau, daughter of Lucie Robichaud and Napoleon Breau.

There are a few databases concerning Mothers of Acadia by Stephen A. White. The author has also written an interesting and in-depth article entitled "Origins of Pioneers of Acadia" in which he shares insight about the original settlers of the area. White discusses the 1880's "Collection de Documents inédits sur le Canada et l'Amérique publiés par le Canada-français" by Father H. R. Casgrain. It reveals the original inhabitants came from various places, including Quebec, Newfoundland, Scotland, England, Ireland and, of course, France.

The section on Acadian History offers information on the pioneers, dykes, Acadian place names and maps. Below this is a list of informative links on Native Americans. It includes history on the Mi'kmaq and Maliseet, native languages and a list of Mi'kmaq marriages to Acadians extracted from the St. Jean Baptiste Acadian Parish Registers.

There are several links providing details about the deportation of Acadians from Nova Scotia (which at that time included the lands within New Brunswick). A chronological list of events of the deportation provides such things as dates, locations and names of individuals and ships.

Post Deportation links tell the story of the Acadians reclaiming some of what they lost and establishing new settlements. Pioneers of Chezzetcook, Shédiac and Northern New Brunswick are a few topics covered.

The information noted here, is just a glimpse into what is on the website. To learn more about the material available to researchers, visit Acadian & French-Canadian Ancestral Home's website (<http://www.acadian-home.org>).

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DIANE LYNN TIBERT

Roots to the Past



JAMES HIRTLE PHOTO

A snowy owl spotted in January.

The 115th Christmas Bird Count In Canada

A write-up for Canada for the 115th Christmas Bird Count was done by Dick Cannings and appeared in "Bird Watch Canada Summer 2015", Number 72. A total of 460 Canadian counts were submitted, which was up 22 from the previous year. In Nova Scotia we did 34 counts with 173 species and 274,367 birds. We had 656 field observers and 496 feederwatchers. In regards to species seen we took third place. British Columbia took first place with 232 and Ontario second place with 178 species. When you compare field observers and feeder watchers to us, we are far outnumbered. Ontario had 3031 field observers and 1,066 feeder watchers, whereas BC had 2,935 field observers and 844 feeder watchers. Ladner, BC, took first place for the count with the most species at 143. Halifax-Dartmouth took second place with 112 species.

In order of the most abundant species across Canada we had American crow, Canada goose, European starling, mallard, black-capped chickadee, greater scaup, rock pigeon, house sparrow, dark-eyed junco, Bohemian waxwing, herring gull, glaucous-winged gull, American wigeon, snow bunting and Northwestern crow. Two of these species occur only in the Western provinces.

A major highlight was that snowy owls irrupted southward for the second year in a row. A total of 573 snowies were observed on 113 counts. The highest numbers for the Atlantic coast were on Ile-St-Pierre with 17. Two warblers were added to the all time Canadian Christmas Bird Count list. They were the Tennessee warbler found in the Peel-Halton region in Ontario and a black-throated green warbler, fully photographed for the record at Cape Sable Island, NS. Other highlights from Nova Scotia were an Ash-throated flycatcher at Halifax-Dartmouth, a dusky flycatcher at Wolfville, and a western tanager at Kingston.

Mr. Canning says that "house sparrow numbers are healthy enough in most of Canada, but the species continues to decline, seemingly towards extirpation, in the Maritimes." The numbers in Nova

Scotia were the lowest since the 1970s and the 30 counts in New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island only found a total of 183.

I did a shorebird survey at Conrad's Island, Lower Rose Bay on August 2. I did not have time to walk the intertidal flats for a complete count but I did see 54 lesser yellowlegs, 18 greater yellowlegs, 48 short-billed dowitchers and two willets.

Ray Biggs of Bridgewater photographed a ruby-throated hummingbird. In another few weeks these birds will be making their way in migration. Some are already on the move. David Walmark of Kingsburg also observed a ruby-throated hummingbird and some cedar waxwings. He noted feeder activity picking up. Mr. Walmark also recorded a pair of semipalmated sandpipers on Hirtle's Beach. Stephen Joudrey of Whynott's Settlement reported a hairy woodpecker at his hummingbird feeder. Many species of birds will come to the hummingbird feeder for the sugar. Mr. Joudrey also had many purple finches and American goldfinches. He photographed what appears to be

a young evening grosbeak. Diane Wile-Brumm believed she saw a field sparrow in Mahone Bay.

While observing shorebirds in the valley, Jim Wolford counted a total of 5,800 peeps, most likely semi-palmated sandpipers, one black-bellied plover, one merlin and a peregrine falcon. At the guzzle in Grand Pré, Andy Dean was pleased to see a whimbrel.

Dominic Cormier stated recorded a big movement of sooty shearwaters off of Bon Portage Island on July 23. He estimated 400 over a 40 minute period before the rain sent him packing. Mr. Cormier also had Wilson's storm petrels on the move and spotted a stilt sandpiper and 130 short-billed dowitchers.

As Don MacNeill was returning from Truro to Halifax, two sandhill cranes flew over the road ahead of him between the Shubenacadie and Milton exits.

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JAMES HIRTLE
Bird Notes

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Chester Race Week Schedule of Events

RACING SCHEDULE

Tuesday, August 11

1300 Practice Day Alpha Course –all classes welcome
 1800–2000 Skippers Welcoming Reception (by Invitation)

Wednesday, August 12

0900..... Official Opening of Chester Race Week
 0915..... Competitors meetings
 0915–0930 Alpha
 0930–0945 Bravo
 0945–1000 One Design
 1000–1015 Charlie
 1015–1030 Delta

Wednesday, August 12-Saturday, August 15 DAILY

1200..... First Signal for ALPHA
 1200..... First Signal for BRAVO
 1200..... First Signal for ONE DESIGN
 1330..... First Signal for CHARLIE BLUENOSE
 1230..... First Signal for DELTA

Thursday, August 13

0900–0945 Talk with Andreas Josenhans
 "How to Get Better Results at Race Week"

Friday, August 14

0900–0945 Talk with Andreas Josenhans
 "How to Get Better Results at Race Week"

Saturday, August 15

0900–0945 Talk with Andreas Josenhans
 "How to Get Better Results at Race Week"

REGISTRATION CHECK-IN at Chester Yacht Club

Sunday, August 9..... 1600–1800
 Monday, August 10 1200–1600
 Tuesday, August 11 1200–1600
 Wednesday, August 12 0800–1000
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Wednesday, August 12

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 0800..... Bar / Beverage Ticket Sales Open
 0840–0900 Bagpiping by Victoria Dimick
 0900..... Official Opening of Chester Race Week
 0915–1030 Competitors meetings
 1145..... Yachts ready for racing
 1600–1620 Bagpiping by Victoria Dimick
 1600–1700 Yachts finishing
 1500–1800 Music on deck by Shawn Hebb – Solo Acoustic
 1700..... Bermuda Swizzles by Goslings
 1800..... Draw for Prizes donated by Charm Jewellers, Surrette Batteries & others
 1830..... Award Presentation for Wednesday
 1930–2030 Rum Seminar by Andrew Holmes (Reservations required, space limited)
 2130–0130 Dance to the music of "HOPPING PENGUINS"
 0130..... Last Call

Thursday, August 13

0800..... Complimentary Coffee
 0900..... Bar / Beverage Ticket Sales Open
 1145..... Yachts ready for racing
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 1600–1700 Yachts finishing
 1500–1800 Music on deck by Shawn Hebb – Solo Acoustic
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 1830..... Award Presentation for Thursday
 2130–0130 Dance to the music of "ASIA & NuGRUV"
 0130..... Last Call

Friday, August 14

0800..... Complimentary Coffee
 0900..... Bar / Beverage Ticket Sales Open
 1145..... Yachts ready for racing
 1600–1700 Yachts finishing
 1500–1800 Music on deck by Road Trip Boogie
 1800..... Draw for Prizes donated by Charm Jewellers, Surrette Batteries & others
 1830..... Award Presentation for Friday
 2130–0130 Dance to the music of "HOPPING PENGUINS"
 0130..... Last Call

Saturday, August 15

0800..... Complimentary Coffee
 0900..... Bar / Beverage Ticket Sales Open
 1145..... Yachts ready for racing
 1600–1700 Yachts finishing
 1500–1800 Music on deck by Road Trip Boogie
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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Annual Folk Harbour Festival hits Lunenburg

By **EVAN BOWER**
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The 30th annual Lunenburg Folk Harbour Festival filled the town with music from August 6 to 9.

Over 40 musicians performed, and participated in workshops and discussions at the six venues spread around town.

The rain held off until Sunday, when

bandstand and wharf performances were sent to the Lutheran church and the covered Blockhouse Hill stage.

The main stage tent filled up quickly in the evenings, leaving late-comers to find creative, Fire Code friendly places to stand.

Matt Andersen was the first headliner to perform, followed the next nights by Rose Cousins, The Stanfields, and Jimmy Rankin closing out the festival on August 9.



EVAN BOWER PHOTO

Rose Cousins asked a passing ship for requests while singing on the wharf stage.

The Modern Grass, Buffy & Larry, The O'Pears and the Gawler Family all gathered together for a song at the end of their workshop on old music.



EMMA SMITH PHOTO



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Cape Breton singer Breagh Mackinnon serenades the crowd at the bandstand.



EVAN BOWER PHOTO

The Stanfields gave the audience a chance to move around at the festival's first ever Late Night Stage in the Lunenburg Curling Club.



EMMA SMITH PHOTO

Don White (left) cracked up the audience and The Stanfield's frontman Jon Landry during a performance at St. John's Anglican Church on Saturday.



EVAN BOWER PHOTO

The Sanctified Brothers invited participants of their vocal workshop to join them for a song at the Saturday evening main stage.



EVAN BOWER PHOTO

The O'Pears traveled from Toronto to sing for the first time at the festival.

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Fiddler fundraising

Youngster raises \$500 for music organization

By **EMMA SMITH**

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Ira Reinhart-Smith handed over the fruits of his labour on Friday, August 7.

For hours this summer, the 11-year-old fiddler busked outside a general store in Cape Breton to raise money for a non-profit music organization.

He met his \$500 target a couple of weeks ago.

"I felt like I had accomplished something and it was fun," said Ira, who was in Lunenburg that day for a fiddling workshop that was part of the Lunenburg Folk Harbour Festival.

He presented the money last week to Julie Lohnes, chairperson for Music for the Future. Lohnes, who's from the South Shore, spent three years teaching in Pond Inlet and saw first hand the lack of activities for kids.

"There's not a whole lot of other activities and this is just a positive way for them to express themselves instead of

what might be the alternative," she said.

In 2009, Lohnes started Music for the Future, and now, twice a year, music instructors travel to Nunavut and work with Inuit youth.

"We love the idea of youth helping youth," said Lohnes, who met Ira on Friday for the first time. "It's a big help. Every little bit helps."

Lohnes said the money will go towards buying and repairing fiddles as well as paying for instructors' travel.

Ira says he wanted to donate to this organization because it will help people learn his favourite instrument.

"Music for the Future really was showing violin music, and I thought that was kind of cool. I was playing violin and I was raising money for more violins," he said.

Since first picking up a fiddle when he was five, Ira has mastered quite a few songs and now he's looking to expand his act. His family is moving to Caledonia this summer and he's on the look out for

bandmates.

"I really like to sing, so I'm hoping I can learn how to sing and play fiddle

at the same time," he said. "I think it would be cool to start a small band or something. That would be fun."



EMMA SMITH PHOTO

Music for the Future members Juanita Swinamer, Jeff Lohnes, Greg Simm and Julie Lohnes (Lynn Feasey is not pictured) received the money from 11-year-old Ira Reinhart-Smith last Friday.



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QUILTING GROUP

Local quilters with the finished product assembled by Glennys Foster from the pieces they each made. The unveil of the piece was held at the Parkdale/Maplewood museum on August 8.

MARQUEE

Ensemble Polaris plays Adams and Knickle Wharf

Ensemble Polaris will perform on Adams and Knickle Wharf at 2 p.m. on August 15, as part of Musique Royale's summer concert series.

The group is an eclectic mix of performers from different musical backgrounds, and uses traditional instruments of folk and early music from Scandinavia, Africa, the Middle East, and Asian percussion.

The performance will play on the theme of "the sea," using old Northern sea legends as inspiration. Admission is free.

Brass band performs during race week

The Chester Brass Band will perform at the Chester Bandstand on Sunday, August 16 at 7 p.m.

The performance will follow the conclusion of Chester Race Week. Yachts will be anchored and can be viewed near the bandstand.

The event is free of charge.

Arts show supports lighthouses

An arts and crafts showcase starts in separate Queens County venues this month. The Warehouse at the Port Medway Lighthouse Park is the opening spot for the fifth annual Lighthouse Awareness Art and Craft Show.

The event hosts a special opening on August 14 at 6 p.m. with shows running daily, between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m., from August 15 to August 18.

The show moves to Coastal Queens Place in Port Mouton with a special kick-off event taking place August 21 at 6 p.m. Following the launch, shows run daily, between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. from August 22 to August 27.

Entertainment and refreshments will be made available at the kick-off events.

The public can expect to see maritime-themed art efforts, such as paintings, sculpture work, folk art and hands crafts. The fundraiser supports the Medway Head Lighthouse and the Spectacle Island Lighthouse.

More information on the shows can be found at www.lighthouseartshow.org on the internet.

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The Future includes, from back left, Nicholas Kempton, Justin Trethewey, Matthew Lohnes, Scott Doucette, Daniel Lohnes and Caleb Leary. From middle left are Danielle MacDonald, Amber Leary, Danielle Wamboldt, Tiffany Mansfield and Shelly Conrad. In front is Nick Foley.

Softball team wins national title

By **STACEY COLWELL**
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A team of local softball players returned home from Niagara Falls last week with more than souvenirs.

The Bridgewater, New Germany and Caledonia residents came back with a national title after going 8-0 at the Canadian co-ed championships.

"The most important factor for the team's success was how well the [players] rallied around each other," said right fielder Nick Foley.

"Encouragement and support was always there, even when times were stressful."

The team, dubbed "The Future," came together last year when Justin Trethewey and Tiffany Mansfield hand-picked a group to compete at the 2014 Maritime finals, which they eventually won to qualify for the Canadian championships.

"The team relied on a number of strengths at nationals," said Foley.

"We consistently demonstrated solid batting skills throughout each game. In some games, the wind was a big factor and thus pitchers were certainly challenged in throwing strikes. Our team members waited patiently at bat, which helped in getting more people on base," he added.

"Our pitcher was also challenged by windy, dusty conditions but was able to battle back many times to do her part."

He said the infield defence was aggressive, the outfielders showed great range, and terrific relays kept opponents honest on the bases.

After opening the tournament with six wins, The Future defeated the Que-

bec Dream Team 14-2 to advance directly to the championship, where they eventually met the Dream Team for a rematch following a semifinal game.

"It was important to start strong in the match and that is exactly what happened. The opposing team was young with great ball skills but struggled to keep up the momentum that they had experienced earlier with other teams. We played a solid offensive and defensive game with lots of enthusiasm," said Foley.

The Future eventually won in the final by a lopsided 27-9 score.

"As the championship game continued in our favour, enthusiasm was growing but it was still important to maintain composure to see the game to the end. We had already seen how well the young Quebec team could play so we did not want to take anything for granted," Foley added.

"With the last catch to win the game, we were pretty happy and it seemed a bit surreal that we had actually won."

Caleb Leary and Shelly Conrad were named most valuable players, according to the tournament web site, but Foley said it was a total team effort and that having players ranging from teenagers to some in their 30s and 40s made for a perfect mix.

"The diversity of ages means the team enjoys youthful enthusiasm and dedication as well as the benefits that come with more experienced players."

Having won the national title in an E division with 17 teams, The Future will next compete in the D division of this month's Maritime championships.

"If we place high enough, we will earn the right to go to nationals again," said Foley.



MICHAEL LEE PHOTO

WORKIN' HARD

Brent, left, and Taylor Dempsey of Herring Cove keep up the pace at the Canadian eliminations race for internationals in Lunenburg.



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ENDEAVOR WINS THE WILLA CREIGHTON

The Nova Scotia Schooners Association (NSSA) held its first women's schooner race last week, honouring Willa Creighton, one of the founding members of the association. Creighton won the NSSA's inaugural race in 1961, sailing out of Tancook Island. Ten schooners competed in the race on August 11, with the winner, Endeavor, passing the finish line after just one hour. Skipped by Bunch Fraser of Chester, Endeavor's crew included Caro Creighton, Willa's daughter.

Rochelle Whynott of Riverport initiated the race and personally commissioned Jeff Morrison of Fall River to design and produce the trophy. "My crew is safe, the boat is safe," she told LighthouseNOW afterward. Whynott's five-member team came last in the race. "But I finished and I'm so proud of myself," she said. The single photo shows winner Endeavor. In the double shot, left to right, are second-place winner Kathi Ann II, skippered by Michelle Stevens and Comet II, skippered by Val Doan.

SPORTS

Dayspring native participates in BIGSWIM event for charity

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A 70-year-old swimmer from Dayspring is crossing the Northumberland Strait for charity.

Ron Allen is among 54 swimmers who will cross more than 14 kilometre stretch between Cape Jourimain, New Brunswick, and Borden-Carleton, Prince Edward Island, to raise money for kids with a chronic illness or special needs so they can attend camp.

Organized by GIVETOLIVE, a volunteer organization dedicated to ending illness and disease through healthy living, this will be the fifth BIGSWIM event.

"I'm looking forward to meeting the challenge of swimming the Strait with 50-plus like-minded people, all for a great

cause," said Allen in a press release.

The Dayspring native has competed in eight IRONMAN races and several triathlons in nearly 20 years.

Last month, he biked more than 200 kilometres of the Cabot Trail in one day for GIVETOLIVE's BIG RIDE.

All funds will go to Brigadoon Village, a nonprofit recreational facility on Aylesford Lake.

ford Lake.

For every \$1,000 raised, one child will get to go to camp for one week, with the goal being to send 150 kids to camp.

The first four years have seen the number of swimmers grow to 49 last year, raising a combined \$550,000 for Cystic Fibrosis Canada and Brigadoon Village.

The BIGSWIM takes place August 16.



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CATCHING UP

Dawn Swinemar, left, and Stone Harnish paddle madly during the punt race organized by the annual Western Shore garden party, parade and firework display held in the community on August 8.

Community fair features tug of war challenge

By **KEITH CORCORAN**
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A multi-division tug of war challenge will be part of this year's annual summer festival in New Ross.

The August 21 competition starts at 8 p.m. at the New Ross Community Fair Grounds, off Highway 12. Organizers plan to have men's and women's contests and include 4-H teams in the event.

Matthew Stevens, one of the chief coordinators of the tournament, hopes the tug of war pulls people in.

"In the past, New Ross has produced some of the best [tug of war] teams in the province and the sport became a symbol of heritage and identity for the community," he told LighthouseNOW in an e-mail. "However, like other Nova Scotian communities the younger generations of New Ross began to depart over the years, and the sport of tug of war began to decline."

Stevens credits the dedication of the 4-H movement and others for rejuvenating the sport locally. For those who may not know, tug of war pegs two teams pulling at opposite ends of a rope until one drags the other over a central line.

"As this sport is not only an integral part of New Ross, but is also serving to bridge the gap between past and present, youth and elderly and ultimately provide this community a sense of hope for the future," Stevens said.

The New Ross Community Fair takes place between August 21 and 22. The two-days of the country carnival-like atmosphere highlights events such as horse and ox pulls, chain saw competitions, a children's parade, Christmas tree and wreath challenges and garden and flower competitions.

Additional information concerning the fair can be found at www.newross.ca on the internet.

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Bacteria levels still high on the LaHave

By **GAYLE WILSON**
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Fecal bacterial levels in the LaHave River continue to exceed Health Canada's Recreational Water Contact Guidelines, weekly summer monitoring conducted by the Bluenose Coastal Action Foundation (BCAF) and Straight Pipe Citizens' Group reveal.

The monitoring program analyses water for enterococcus, which is the "most appropriate bacterial indicator of fecal contamination in marine recreational waters," according to Shanna Fredericks, the BCAF's project coordinator.

The monitoring has recorded variances in the levels from week to week, but are more or less consistent with the high levels recorded last summer, Fredericks told LighthouseNOW in an email.

Fredericks said there were "several exceedances" of Health Canada's guideline, "particularly at our Shipyard's Landing and Dayspring sample sites." The group is sampling water at five separate sites along the river.

"We have collected additional samples from the Shipyard's Landing area to determine if the high bacteria counts are being influenced by an inflow pipe that drains the water from the town pond in Bridgewater," she noted.

Samples were collected from upstream and downstream of the pipe as well as directly inside the mouth

of the pipe.

"The water draining from the pipe showed extremely high levels of fecal bacteria as a result of the waterfowl in town pond; however, samples collected from upstream of this pipe were also in exceedance of the Health Canada guideline for primary contact," Fredericks went on to explain.

"This means that some of the contamination at this site can be attributed to the waterfowl in Town Pond; however, there is clearly another contributing source of fecal contamination coming from upstream, near the downtown area."

The monitors maintain that the high variability in their results can be attributed to the nature of straight pipes and their use.

"Straight pipes discharge close to the shoreline, which is where our samples are collected, and unfortunately where many forms of recreation take place," noted Fredericks.

The LaHave River Estuary essentially flushes itself over the course of 39 hours, and the monitors' samples are collected at various times throughout the tide cycle.

"Our results suggest that fecal contamination does eventually get diluted and flushed out of the estuary but still poses a significant risk to public health. Given that straight pipes are a constant source of fecal contamination, flushing and dilution provide only a temporary solution to this continuous pollution," Fredericks said.

While fecal bacteria can come from a number of sources such as agriculture or wildlife, straight pipes are believed to be the largest contributor to the contamination. Straight pipes are illegal sewage systems that discharge raw human sewage, from homes and businesses, directly into a watercourse. According to BCAF, a 1993 survey identified more than 800 straight pipes from Bridgewater to the mouth of the estuary. Although the group concedes many of those pipes have since been replaced by legal septic systems, it estimates there are likely still hundreds of them being used today.

BCAF and the Straight Pipes have shared results of their fecal bacteria monitoring with Nova Scotia Environment, local MLAs, the Municipality of Lunenburg (MODL), and the Town of Bridgewater.

"We are very pleased with the outcome of our discussions with MODL on the development of a Straight Pipe Resolution. This resolution has been unanimously recommended by the South Shore Regional Municipalities for submission to the UNSM (Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities) fall session. We look forward to seeing the issue of straight pipes receive some much needed attention at the provincial level," Fredericks told LighthouseNOW.

Results of the monitoring are posted weekly on the Coastal Action website: <http://coastalaction.org/WordPress/projects/watersheds/lahave-river-water/fecal-bacteria-monitoring>.

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With an expected turnover of \$43 million this year, RPS touts itself as a quality reinforced plastics engineering company committed to on-time deliveries and customer service.

"This is not a commodity product," Robert Hawkins, the company's president and chief executive, explained in an interview with LighthouseNOW. "This isn't something that's sold off the shelf. A customer comes to us with an application and we design the product."

Hawkins says that since 1969 the company's focus has been in providing a package customers recognize as providing added value. "And that's critical to us. If we have to compete on price, we'll die. It's as simple as that."

RPS Composites has 8,100 square metres of office, factory and warehousing space on the corner of Main Street and Fauxburg Road, not far from the government wharf. Once the site of industrial boat manufacturing dating back to the wooden boat era, the industrial spot has only been producing plastics for the past half century or so. RPS's predecessor, Atlantic Bridge Company, and its division, Paceship Yachts Ltd., moved there in 1965. They produced laminated plywood pleasure boats, with Ontario and Florida being their largest markets.

Atlantic Bridge Company was owned by two brothers, Martin and Andrew Eisenhower, two engineers based in Lunenburg who started dabbling in fibreglass in Lunenburg in 1956.

"They did it primarily to serve the marine industries, and pulp and paper was growing so they moved the operation into Mahone Bay in 1965 and that's when we started producing pipe," Hawkins explained.

Rising transportation costs in the late 1960s, coinciding with lower demand and more competition in Florida, left the owners exploring other revenue avenues. They saw a future in industrial pipe manufacturing. The company produced its first piece of fibreglass pipe

in 1965, and there was no stopping it.

Donald Rhodenizer, vice president of Canadian operations, told LighthouseNOW the company was building a variety of fibreglass reinforced plastic structures, including tanks, fire tower cabins, lighthouses and boats.

"We built the first fibreglass Cape Island boat," said Rhodenizer. "Anything we could imagine being done in fibreglass, we were doing. But pipe was the growing business for us."

Driven by the pulp and paper and hydro electric power industries, the company went on to develop two pipe systems in the late 1960's and early 1970's. The first, called P150, the first targeted the chemical processing industry in the United States. The second, A150, was a specialty erosion resistant product, targeted at the expanding flue-gas desulfurization industry. This is a process whereby limestone slurry is sprayed on flue gases coming out of coal-fired boilers to remove sulphur dioxide and other pollutants.

"It was not insignificant pioneering work at that time," notes Hawkins, who's been with the company for 38 years.

"At that point, it was still pretty early years for the use of composites in industrial piping," Hawkins explained. "Reinforced plastic was still a relatively new material." He said a lot of work had to be done to convince people this was a viable alternative to steel piping.

By the end of the decade the pulp and paper, chemical processing and power industries began to pay attention, however, Hawkins explains that even to this day there are skeptics.

"I guess because most engineers are educated in steel design and plastic, if you will, it was a new concept."

With 50 years of case histories, the RPS sales team is having an easier time confirming its advantages.

Hawkins reams off its strengths: it's lightweight, easier to handle and install, inherently corrosion resistant and able to handle a broad range of chemical environments, from strong acids to bleaches.

"Which is fairly unique compared to a lot of steel products," he added. "In many cases it provided a lower installed cost ... and in almost all cases a lower life cycle cost."

Eventually RPS got out of the boat business, selling Paceship Yacht Ltd. to AMF Corp. of the U.S., to focus on selling plastics to companies such as Nova Scotia Maritimes, Scott Maritimes, now the Northern Pulp Com-

pany and Bowater.

A booming pulp and paper industry in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Maine "created fairly significant local demand," according to Hawkins.

At the same time, the company was targeting the U.S. market and companies such as Combustion Engineering, Bayer, Dow Chemical and Dupont, which the P150 and A150 product were primarily designed for.

By the mid 1990s, though, the company was exporting the majority of its product to Europe.

"There was a huge build of flue gas desulfurization plants to clean up their coal-fired generating stations and we had a great track record in the United States for supplying for those systems. Europeans traditionally used rubber-lined steel for those applications and we were able to enter that market by offering significant cost savings and performance advantage with our A-series piping," Hawkins recalls.

To the flue gas desulfurization industry they offered a "unique product," remarked Rhodenizer. "There really wasn't a comparable fibreglass product on the market."

With the European business, the Mahone Bay company was operating at peak capacity with about 240 employees and struggling to meet the demand, so in 1995 it bought Maritime Fibreglass Fabricators, a company in Minto, New Brunswick, which was felt would have the skill set to bring RPS additional capacity.

However, the hiatus was finite, and its end not unexpected.

"The four main industries we supply to are chemical process, pulp and paper, mineral process, and flue gas desulfurization, all capital intensive industries that see big peaks and valleys in spending," explains the company's president and CEO.

Europe finished building all its scrubbers and the market was done. For the other industries RPS is able to cater to, there was more competition in Europe.

Noting that for the most part the pulp and paper industry has left Atlantic Canada, Hawkins says RPS must rely on exports, with south of the border being its traditional secondary market.

"We had to turn our mindset back to the



GAYLE WILSON PHOTO

RPS Composites President and CEO Robert Hawkins, left, and Donald Rhodenizer, the vice-president of Canadian operations, at the international company's headquarters in Mahone Bay.

United States and look for opportunities there."

There are opportunities in Canada and the U.S. and there's a lot of competition.

"We're constantly looking for things that we can add to our product offering that will differentiate ourselves from all of those lower cost competitors," Hawkins said.

"It's engineering services. It's ease of doing business; on-time delivery that we have to sell. Quality manufacturing."

To get around the disadvantage of being a long way from their customers, in 2006 the company started acquiring manufacturers in the U.S., strategically stationing itself in Virginia, Ohio, Alabama and Utah. This put them in position to take advantage of flue gas plant desulfurization spending by the Bush administration between 2004 and 2010.

Rhodenizer estimates that now about 70 per cent of the company's business is from American projects.

It has also hooked up with major international engineering companies such as SNC Lavalin, Bechtel and Fluor, which has leveraged them into markets in South and Central America, Asia and the Middle East.

RPS is currently working on a \$9 million, 18-month contract with Dupont, which is expanding its titanium dioxide plant in Mexico.

"This would certainly be one of the longest continuous running fiberglass reinforced plastics operations in North America," Rhodenizer noted.

"We also take a lot of pride in the fact that this is a head office for a multinational. It's kind of a cool thing for a small town in Nova Scotia," Hawkins added.



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CryptoQuip

This is a word substitution puzzle in which each letter stands for another. If you know that X equals C, you'll see C throughout the puzzle. Solution is accompanied by the key.

Clue Words equals L

YNJCJSY, PXCHPWXY JBL

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FXWLWR AKAEWJC, X FKEWL

NJWW XV SHRVWHQJBXJ.

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Even Exchange by Donna Pettman

Each numbered row contains two clues and two 6-letter answers. The two answers differ from each other by only one letter, which has already been inserted. For example, if you exchange the A from MASTER for an L, you get MLETR. Do not change the order of the letters.

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| 5. Indistinct | F | Canonized one | S |
| 6. Pickup of sports | C | Car's storage area | N |
| 7. Spring holiday | E | Quicker | F |
| 8. Give permission | | Allocate | I |
| 9. Windfall | U | Skeleton parts | E |
| 10. Indemnity | S | Cause harm | J |

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★★

★ Moderate ★★ Challenging
★★★ HOO BOY!

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CryptoQuote

AXYDLBAAXR
is LONGFELLOW

One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the initial and formation of the words are different. Each week the code letters are different.

JV GJC EVWPVYZA

PVFOEMEW ME JMA NCLZJ.

PCAVA ZJV UFAZ FEH MA

HVFH DCQ ZJV DLZLOV

— VLOMUMHVA

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Crossword puzzle by Walter Feener

ACROSS

- Diminutive suffix
- Heart chambers
- Shaving cream
- Persuade by gentle urging
- Hired hoodlums
- Cut out for
- A camel has one
- Family tree
- Winter garment
- Alternatively
- Served with browned butter
- Account entry
- Race track fence
- Alligator pears
- Metamorphic rock
- Canary relative
- Point ___ National Park (it's in Ontario)
- Major component of chromosomes
- Thin, narrow strip of wood
- Persian fairies
- Loud ringing of bells
- Corrode
- Plant that grows in wet places
- Make a racket
- Bass counterpart
- Chinese appetizers
- Man's name in German-speaking countries
- Divisions of geologic time
- Hollowed-out design
- Hostility
- Actress Cameron
- Competitive advantages
- Passport endorsement
- Capital of Norway
- Hypnotist's command
- Adam and Eve's garden
- Legal claim on property
- Hunts for
- Male parent of a horse

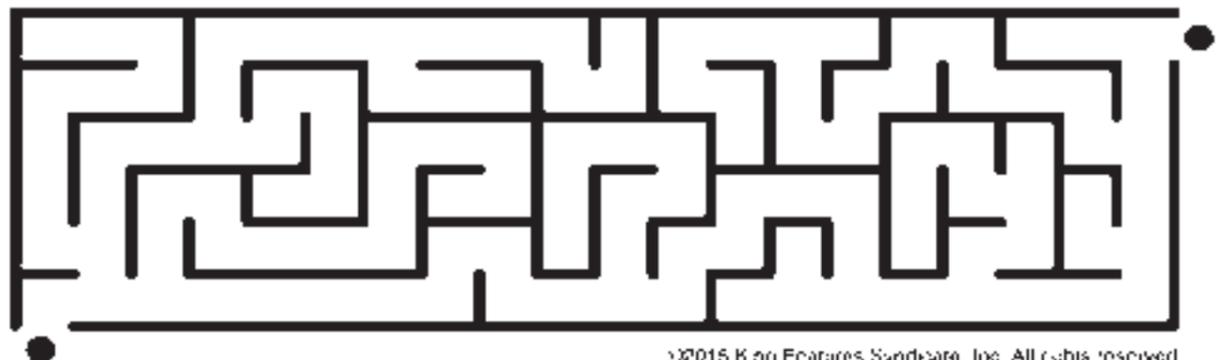
DOWN

- Reflected sound
- Series of gigs
- No longer wild

- Leaving nothing implied
- Came to an understanding
- As well
- Available space
- Lay to rest
- Provides relief from pain
- Easy to do
- Woodwind instrument
- Of wings
- Give out
- Canadian songwriter
Meissner
- Number of lives a cat has
- Motorized bicycle
- Item of value
- Of the soft palate
- Make a speech
- Strong cloth
- Just as one would wish
- Speak threateningly
- Gross revenue
- City on the Meuse River
- Without equal
- Stop consonants
- Waste material from smelting
- Dietary fibre
- Coat of arms
- Comprehends
- Move sideways
- Object of adoration
- Not yet final, in law
- Narrative
- S-shaped moulding
- Calf-length skirt
- One who takes drugs
- Having a sound, healthy mind
- "A mouse!"

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Kids' Maze



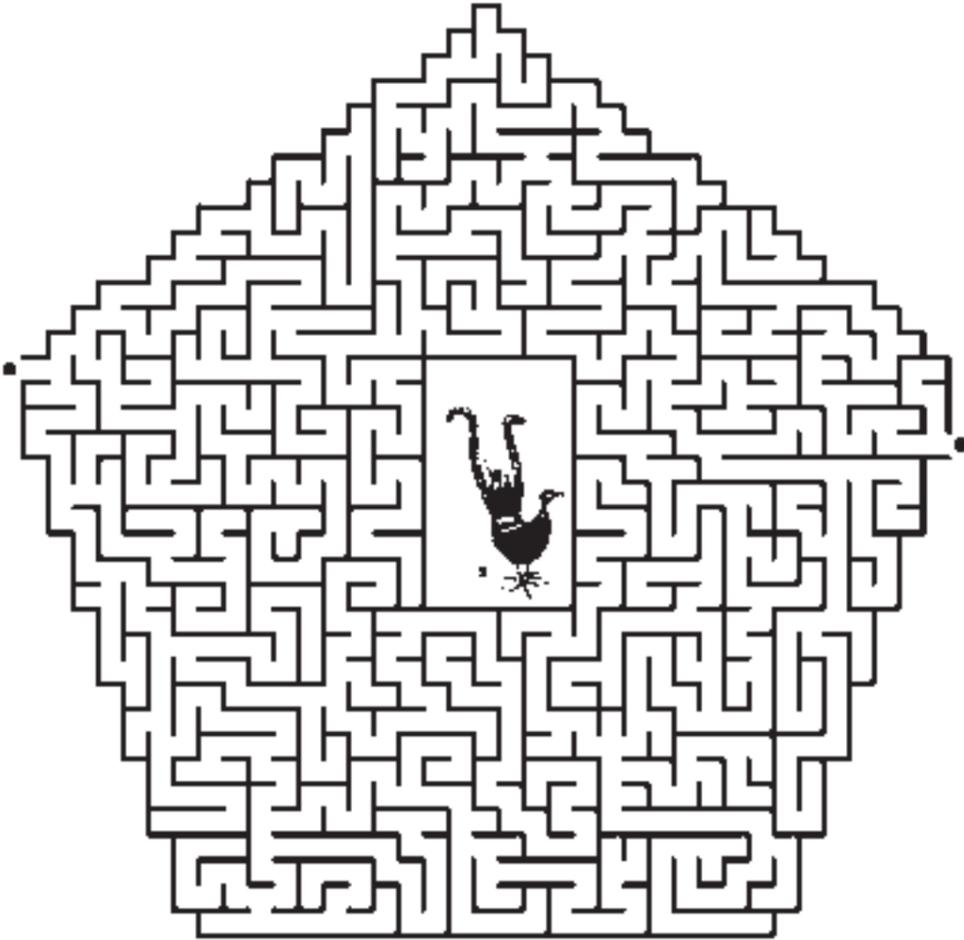
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Mega Maze

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Puzzles4Kids

by Helene Hovanec

RIDDLE SEARCH - PLACES TO LIVE

Look up, down, and diagonally, both forward and backward to find every word on the list. Circle each one as you find it. When all the words are circled, take the UNUSED letters and write them on the banks below. Go from left to right and top to bottom to find the answer to this riddle: **Where do supernatural creatures live?**

APARTMENT	A I H I G H R I S E
BARN	T P A L A Z Z O N S
BUNGALOW	E G A T T O C W D U
CABIN	L E O R I G L O O O
CHALET	A N P D T A G L R H
CONDO	H L R E N M H A M T
CO-OP	C O L A T O E G E N
COTTAGE	H O N I B A C N S E
CORNY	U T O T V O T U T P
HIGH-RISE	T R I P L E X B W N
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Riddle answer:

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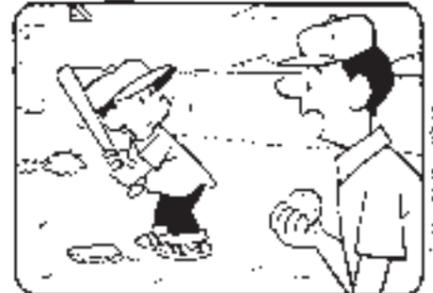


HOCUS-FOCUS

By HELEN BOYD



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



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MAGIC MAZE — LINE: SPORTS

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Find the words in the maze. Write the letters in the spaces provided.

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WEDNESDAY EVENING AUGUST 12. Table with columns for time slots (6:30-11:30) and program titles.

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Channel Guide - A - Lunenburg Co. B - Queens Co. C - Caledonia/Cherry Hill D - St. Margaret's Bay E - New Ross. Grid of channel numbers and program titles.

THURSDAY EVENING AUGUST 13. Table with columns for time slots (6:30-11:30) and program titles.

FRIDAY EVENING AUGUST 14. Table with columns for time slots (6:30-11:30) and program titles.

WEEKDAY DAYTIME AUGUST 12 TO AUGUST 18. Large grid of program listings for weekdays from 7:30 AM to 6:00 PM.

SATURDAY DAYTIME AUGUST 15. Table with columns for time slots (7:30-6:00) and rows for various TV programs including In a Name, Juicebox, Your News, Peep, Worst Handyman, 7:00 News, 7:00 News, 7:00 News, 7:00 School, 7:00 New Day, 7:00 Pickers, 7:00 Top Agent, 7:35 Off Air, 7:00 Sidekick, 7:00 Camp, 7:00 Masters, 7:00 The National, 7:00 WBZ This Morning, 7:00 Lifetime, 7:00 ColdWater, 7:00 Paid, 7:00 Limits, 7:00 Til Debt, 7:00 Laughs, 41 ER Vets, 43 Sluggerra, 44 Paid, 46 Leave It, 47 7:00 SG-1, 49 7:00 Depart, 50 7:00 Central, 52 7:00 Morning Drive, 53 7:00 SportsC, 54 Spun Out, 55 Bizou, 56 Believe.

SUNDAY DAYTIME AUGUST 16. Table with columns for time slots (7:30-6:00) and rows for various TV programs including 16x9 'The Respirator', Marilyn, Artzooka, Dinosaur T., 7:30 Juicebox, 7:00 News, 12 Paid, 14 7:00 Paid, 16 Info-Doc, 17 7:00 School, 18 7:00 New Day, 19 7:00 Garage, 20 Watchlist, 21 35 Off Air, 22 Squirrel, 23 Camp, 28 7:00 Cedar C., 29 7:00 CBC News Now, 32 7:00 WBZ This Morning, 33 7:00 Lifetime, 34 Paid, 35 7:00 Drill, 36 Paid, 37 7:00 Limits, 38 7:00 Stranger, 39 7:00 Laughs, 41 ER Vets, 43 Sluggerra, 44 Paid, 46 Income, 47 Ink, 49 7:00 Depart, 50 7:00 Central, 52 7:00 Morning Drive, 53 7:00 SportsC, 54 Pop Quiz, 55 Mouki, 56 Believe.

SATURDAY EVENING AUGUST 15. Table with columns for time slots (6:30-11:30) and rows for various TV programs including National, 8:00 News, 11:00 Tennis, 4 8:00 Rock Pop, 7 Corner Gas, 9 8:00 E:60, 12 5:00 Red Bull, 14 Jail, 16 Storage W., 17 Deal With It, 18 8:00 News, 19 6:00 Hangar 1, 20 Movie, 21 'Sand Serpents', 22 Ninja, 23 T.Drama, 28 5:00 'Footloose', 29 MarketP., 32 3:00 Golf PGA, 33 8:00 Suits, 34 8:00 Untold, 35 8:00 Hwy, 36 8:00 TMZ, 37 Movie, 38 Movie, 39 BigBang, 41 6:00 Murder, 43 Gaming, 44 Movie, 46 8:00 Bea.Flip, 47 Movie, 49 St. Wars, 50 Jays30, 52 6:00 Golf, 53 3:00 Golf, 54 8:00 TMZ, 55 8:00 Riders, 56 Sardari.

SUNDAY EVENING AUGUST 16. Table with columns for time slots (6:30-11:30) and rows for various TV programs including National, 8:00 News, 11:00 Tennis, 4 12:00 Members', 7 6:00 W5, 9 Hazelton, 12 5:00 Volleyball, 14 6:00 Bar Res., 16 6:00 First 48, 17 JFL: Gags, 18 6:00 News, 19 6:00 Hangar 1, 20 Spin Off, 21 'Seeds of Destruction', 22 Movie, 23 Rocket, 28 Movie, 29 MarketP., 32 3:00 Golf PGA, 33 Movie, 34 6:00 My Giant, 35 6:00 SeaGold, 36 Movie, 37 6:00 Defiance, 38 TIL Debt, 39 BigBang, 41 6:00 Makeover, 43 Next Step, 44 Movie, 46 Income, 47 6:00 Killjoys, 49 St. Wars, 50 5:00 Baseball, 52 6:00 Golf, 53 3:00 Golf, 54 6:00 News, 55 6:00 News, 56 Tomorrow.

MOVIES

WEDNESDAY 08/12

Evening

9:00 SHOW "#PopFan" (Thriller,2014) Chelsea Kane, Nolan Gerard Funk. A young pop star is 'rescued' and taken to seclusion by an unstable and obsessed fan. (14+)
FAM "Jump In!" (Comedy,2007) Corbin Bleu, Keke Palmer. A young aspiring boxer discovers a hidden passion for jump roping. (G)
10:00 SPACE "Shark Night 3D" (Horror,2011) Sara Paxton, Dustin Milligan. In a nightmare scenario, sharks attack vacationers at a freshwater lake in Louisiana.
1:00 VIS "English Butler Masala Chai" (Comedy,2010) Tara Joshi, Sachin Sharma. A young woman disguises her English boyfriend as a butler in her Indian father's house. (PG)
2:00 SPACE "Shark Night 3D" (Horror,2011) Sara Paxton, Dustin Milligan. In a nightmare scenario, sharks attack vacationers at a freshwater lake in Louisiana.

THURSDAY 08/13

Evening

9:00 CH "Lethal Weapon 2" (Action,1989) Mel Gibson, Danny Glover. Detectives Riggs and Murtaugh pursue South African diplomats who are smuggling drugs. (18+)
SHOW "Do No Harm" (Drama,2012) Lauren Holly, Deanna Russo. A psychiatrist kidnaps a woman who resembles her deceased daughter. (14+)
FAM "StarStruck" (Musical,2010) Danielle Campbell, Brandon Smith. A girl becomes good friends with a star while visiting her grandparents in Los Angeles.
10:00 CMT "Blue Collar Comedy Tour Rides Again" (Comedy,2004) Bill Engvall, Jeff Foxworthy. Southern comics perform separate sets where they present their redneck style of humour.
11:00 SHOW "Rise of the Gargoyles" (Horror,2008) Eric Balfour, Nick Mancuso. A gargoyle is released from beneath a church and an American professor must stop it. (14+)
1:00 CMT "Blue Collar Comedy Tour Rides Again" (Comedy,2004) Bill Engvall, Jeff Foxworthy. Southern comics perform separate sets where they present their redneck style of humour.

FRIDAY 08/14

Evening

9:00 OWN "Stranded in Paradise" (Romance,2014) Vanessa Marcil, James Denton. After losing her job, a woman embarks on a vacation she already paid for.

FAM "Descendants" (Family,2015) Dove Cameron, Cameron Boyce. The possibilities of what happens after the 'happily ever after' unfolds. (G)
10:00 TOON "Son of Batman" (Animated,2014) Batman finds out his son is being raised by the League of Assassins. (PG)
WTV "Footloose" (Comedy/Drama,2011) Kenny Wormald, Julianne Hough. A city kid moves to a small town that has outlawed dancing and rock 'n' roll music. (PG)
LIFE "The Descendants" (Comedy/Drama,2011) George Clooney, Shailene Woodley. A man takes his daughters to Hawaii to find the man his wife was having an affair with. (14+)
APT "11:14" (Thriller,2003) Hilary Swank, Henry Thomas. Many people's lives are affected when two accidents happen simultaneously. (18+)
CMT "Walk the Line" (Biography,2005) Joaquin Phoenix, Reese Witherspoon. The life of country music star Johnny Cash from his childhood to marriage to June Carter. (14+)
SHOW "Superman Returns" (Action,2006) Kevin Spacey, Parker Posey. Superman returns to Earth and comes face to face with his oldest foe: Lex Luthor.
OWN "The Descendants" (Comedy/Drama,2011) George Clooney, Shailene Woodley. A man takes his daughters to Hawaii to find the man his wife was having an affair with. (14+)
12:30 WTV "Take the Lead" (Drama,2006) Antonio Banderas, Alfre Woodard. A professional ballroom dancer volunteers to teach in an inner city school. (14+)
1:00 HIST "The Messenger" (Drama,2009) Woody Harrelson, Steve Buscemi. A Casualty Notifications Officer and war veteran falls for an attractive widow.
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12:00 WTV "Erin Brockovich" (True Story,2000) Julia Roberts, Aaron Eckhart. A legal assistant tries to bring down a company that is poisoning a city's water supply. (14+)
BRAVO "Murder by

SATURDAY 08/15

Evening

9:00 CH "Two Weeks Notice" (Comedy,2002) Sandra Bullock, Hugh Grant. A tycoon and a lawyer can't get along, until they find they can't live without each other.
9:30 FAM "The Cheetah Girls: One World" (Musical,2008) Adrienne Bailon, Sabrina Bryan. The Cheetah Girls travel to India to compete for a role in a Bollywood movie.
10:00 CNN "Blackfish" (Documentary, 2013) The consequences of keeping captive killer whales.
HIST "The Wolfman" (Horror,2010) Emily Blunt, Benicio Del Toro. A nobleman comes back to his family's estate and is bitten by a werewolf. (18+)
WTV "I Don't Know How She Does It" (Comedy,2011) Sarah Jessica Parker, Pierce Brosnan. A female executive balances her professional and personal life. (14+)
BRAVO "Wedding Planner Mystery" (Mystery,2014) Erica Durance, Andrew Walker. An event planner attempts to clear her name when she is framed. (14+)
SHOW "Tower Heist" (Action,2011) Eddie Murphy, Ben Stiller. A group of hard working men plan to rob the home of a business man that scammed them off. (PG)
LIFE "Valentine's Day" (Comedy,2010) Kathy Bates, Julia Roberts. A group of friends attempt to navigate the perils and pitfalls of Valentine's Day. (14+)
TBS "War" (Action,2007) Jet Li, Jason Statham. An FBI agent and assassin settle a score from their past. (18+)
SPACE "Primeval" (Horror,2007) Brooke Langton, Orlando Jones. A news team trying to capture a crocodile in South Africa becomes the target of a warlord. (14+)
STAR "Terry" (True Story,2005) Shawn Ashmore, Ryan McDonald. Recounts Terry Fox's unprecedented and heroic run across Canada on an artificial leg. (PG)
APT "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory" (Adventure,2005) Johnny Depp, Freddie Highmore. A poor boy's dreams come true when he wins a tour of a wondrous chocolate factory.
11:00 TOON "Ace Ventura: Pet Detective" (Comedy,1994) Jim Carrey, Courteney Cox. An unconventional pet detective is hired to find the Miami Dolphins' missing mascot. (14+)
FAM "Motocrossed" (Family,2001) Alana Austin, Mary-Margaret Humes. A 15-year-old girl poses as her twin brother to ride in an all-important motocross race.
12:00 WTV "Erin Brockovich" (True Story,2000) Julia Roberts, Aaron Eckhart. A legal assistant tries to bring down a company that is poisoning a city's water supply. (14+)
BRAVO "Murder by

Numbers" (Thriller,2002) Sandra Bullock, Ryan Gosling. Two high-school killers play a deadly game of cat-and-mouse with a determined detective. (14+)
SHOW "Tower Heist" (Action,2011) Eddie Murphy, Ben Stiller. A group of hard working men plan to rob the home of a business man that scammed them off. (PG)
SPACE "Black Sheep" (Comedy,2006) Matthew Chamberlain, Nick Fenton. Genetic experimentation has changed sheep into killers.
12:05 ATV "Killer Mountain" (Thriller,2011) Aaron Douglas, Paul Campbell. When a climbing expedition goes wrong, an experienced climber is hired to rescue the team. (14+)
12:30 LIFE "The Vow" (Drama,2012) Rachel McAdams, Channing Tatum. After a car accident, a woman wakes up with severe memory loss. (14+)
1:00 TOON "Ace Ventura: Pet Detective" (Comedy,1994) Jim Carrey, Courteney Cox. An unconventional pet detective is hired to find the Miami Dolphins' missing mascot. (14+)
COM "South Park: Bigger, Longer and Uncut" (Animated,1999) Voices of Trey Parker, Matt Stone. When the South Park boys hear foul words in a movie, their parents declare war on Canada. (18+)
STAR "Terry" (True Story,2005) Shawn Ashmore, Ryan McDonald. Recounts Terry Fox's unprecedented and heroic run across Canada on an artificial leg. (PG)
2:00 SPACE "To Be Announced" (Adventure,2005) Johnny Depp, Freddie Highmore. A poor boy's dreams come true when he wins a tour of a wondrous chocolate factory.
2:30 BRAVO "Out of Time" (Drama,2011) During a homicide case a forensic investigator learns a shocking truth about herself. (14+)
LIFE "Valentine's Day" (Comedy,2010) Kathy Bates, Julia Roberts. A group of friends attempt to navigate the perils and pitfalls of Valentine's Day. (14+)
2:45 COM "The Foot Fist Way" (Comedy,2006) Danny McBride, Ben Best. A karate instructor deals with marital problems and an obsession with a fellow enthusiast.
SUNDAY 08/16
Evening
9:00 LIFE "Mr. Deeds" (Comedy,2002) Adam Sandler, Winona Ryder. A small-town pizzeria owner unexpectedly inherits a vast fortune from a distant relative. (14+)
9:30 CH "Notorious" (Biography,2008) Jamal Woolard, Mohamed Dione. The life and death of Notorious B.I.G., whose life ended early on his way to the

top. (18+)
FAM "High School Musical 2" (Family,2007) Zac Efron, Vanessa Hudgens. The kids from the original are back with a few new faces for a summer of fun and work. (G)
10:00 WTV "We Bought a Zoo" (Comedy/Drama,2011) Matt Damon, Scarlett Johansson. A father purchases a house in the countryside that comes with a struggling zoo. (PG)
BRAVO "Man on a Ledge" (Crime Story,2012) Sam Worthington, Elizabeth Banks. The police try to talk down an ex-con from jumping off a Manhattan rooftop. (PG)
TBS "Alice in Wonderland" (Adventure,2010) Johnny Depp, Anne Hathaway. Alice returns to magical Underland and learns her destiny is to defeat the Red Queen. (PG)
11:00 TOON "Ace Ventura: When Nature Calls" (Comedy,1995) Jim Carrey, Ian McNeice. An unconventional detective travels to Africa to find a sacred bat that has gone missing. (14+)
SPACE "Blade" (Action,1998) Wesley Snipes, Stephen Dorff. A vampire plots to use a half-vampire's blood to summon a mighty Blood God. (14+)
12:15 BRAVO "Murder at 1600" (Suspense,1997) Wesley Snipes, Diane Lane. A policeman and a secret agent team up to solve the murder of a White House worker. (18+)
1:00 CMT "The Breakfast Club" (Drama,1985) Judd Nelson, Emilio Estevez. Five students with nothing in common are forced to spend a Saturday in detention together. (PG)
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LIFE "Mission: Impossible II" (Action,2000) Tom Cruise, Thandie Newton. A secret agent must stop a former operative who is preparing to take over the world. (14+)
COM "Cheaper by the Dozen" (Comedy,2003) Steve Martin, Bonnie Hunt. A father of 12 must juggle his new job and his family while his wife is out of town. (PG)
1:30 SPACE "Blade II" (Action,2002) Wesley Snipes, Kris Kristofferson. A vampire-human hybrid struggles to save the human race from those bent on destroying it. (14+)
2:30 CH "Notorious" (Biography,2008) Jamal Woolard, Mohamed Dione. The life and death of Notorious B.I.G., whose life ended early on his way to the

top. (18+)
BRAVO "Lord of War" (Action,2005) Nicolas Cage, Bridget Moynahan. An arms dealer struggles with the morality of his work while Interpol chases him down.
TBS "Duplex" (Comedy, 2003) Ben Stiller, Drew Barrymore. A neighbour turns a New York couple's dream home into a nightmare. (14+)

MONDAY 08/17

Evening

9:00 SHOW "Love Wine" (Romance,2005) Rob Andrew, Tara Goudreau. A woman returns back to her island home to run the family business. (14+)
FAM "Cadet Kelly" (Comedy,2002) Hilary Duff, Christy Carlson Romano. A young girl's mother remarries the head of the George Washington Military Academy. (G)
10:00 CH "A Serious Man" (Comedy/Drama,2009) Michael Stuhlbarg, Richard Kind. A professor's wife leaves him when he is unable to get his brother to leave their home. (18+)
1:00 VIS "A Stone's Throw" (Drama,2006) Kristen Holden-Reid, Catherine MacLellan. A mother protects her family from activists after discovering her ex-husband is targeted. (14+)
3:00 TBS "John Carter" (Action,2012) Taylor Kitsch, Lynn Collins. A Civil War veteran and a princess are held captive on Mars by 12-foot tall barbarians. (14+)

TUESDAY 08/18

Evening

9:00 CH "In Good Company" (Comedy/Drama,2004) Dennis Quaid, Topher Grace. A middle-age executive is replaced by a younger man who romances his daughter.
SHOW "The Eleventh Victim" (Thriller,2012) Jennie Garth, Colin Cunningham. Following ADA Hailey Dean as she tirelessly pursues the conviction of a serial killer.
FAM "The Even Stevens Movie" (Family,2003) Shia LaBeouf, Christy Carlson Romano. The Stevens win a fabulous trip, unaware that they are the subject of a reality TV show. (G)
10:00 VIS "A Stone's Throw" (Drama,2006) Kristen Holden-Reid, Catherine MacLellan. A mother protects her family from activists after discovering her ex-husband is targeted. (14+)
1:00 VIS "Gorillas in the Mist" (Biography,1988) Sigourney Weaver, Iain Cuthbertson. The life-story of animal rights activist and African gorilla expert, Diane Fossey.
3:00 TBS "Miracle" (True Story,2004) Kurt Russell, Patricia Clarkson. The true story of the 1980 U.S. Olympic hockey team who claimed victory over the Russians.

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FUNDRAISING FOR THE "Y"

From left, Cadence Alexander, Jordan Norwood, Joshua Button and Bryanna Hebb tend to a lemonade and fruitcup stand outside the Lunenburg County YMCA in Bridgewater on Wednesday, August 5. The crew hosted the fundraising refreshment area in support of the local "Y."



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ON THE MOVE

A farmer scoots down the road on his tractor during the recent Hubbards Parade.



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IN IT TOGETHER

Brothers Jaxson and Austin Craig ran side-by-side under the hot summer sun on Saturday, August 1, during the 24th annual Cherry Hill Fun Run. The "Beach and Back Youth Run" is organized by the Municipality of Lunenburg for kids 11 and under.

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A century of living

Family celebrates milestone birthday for Lunenburg native

By **MICHAEL LEE**
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Natalie Corkum has lived for an entire century but even she admits it's hard to believe.

"I don't feel 100," she said with a soft laugh.

The lively Lunenburg native turned 100 years old on August 8 drawing family as far away as British Columbia for the birthday festivities. She was nothing but smiles and chose to celebrate in the town she was born and raised in.

"I'm a thorough-bred Lunenburger," she said.

A celebration was held at the Lunenburg fire hall and Corkum was even recognized by the town who presented her with a certificate to commemorate the landmark occasion.

Sandra Veenstra, Corkum's daughter, said she was thrilled and blessed to see her mother reach such a milestone year. She admired her mother as a musician who used to perform for veterans at the local hospital and sing in the church choir at St. Andrews Presbyterian. Corkum's son Hugh said even though they grew up without a lot of money, everything his mother did she did for her kids.

"We had the best of everything," he said. "She gave up a lot for us."

But she didn't hesitate to ask for what she wanted.

Her late-husband was a former rum runner during prohibition, despite her protestations. One day, Corkum gave him an ultimatum: give it up and marry me or continue and end our relationship. He chose the former and eventually became the chief of police, his exploits now chronicled in the book "On Both Sides of the Law."

Looking back on the past 100 years, Corkum said the town has changed much since she was young.

She fondly remembered picking apples right in town and used to watch the cows rest under bare willow trees, despite its



MICHAEL LEE PHOTO

Natalie Corkum, centre, sits with her two great-grandchildren Oakley, left, and Peyton Veenstra, right, whom she met for the first time at her 100th birthday celebration.

PC leader demands 'giant strides' in local shared services

By **DAVE STEPHENS**
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Nova Scotia's opposition leader is growing impatient with local governments in Lunenburg County and the McNeil government over the slow pace of municipal reform.

"The current government's position is to do nothing, and meanwhile, the cost of municipal services goes up and up for taxpayers, and it gets harder and harder to live or start a business in rural Nova Scotia," P.C. leader Jamie Baillie recently told LighthouseNOW.

"I see Lunenburg County and the town [of Bridgewater] doing a lot in terms of shared services, and I'm glad they are," Baillie added. "But they need to do a whole lot more, as do other parts of the province. Ultimately the choices I see for municipal governments in the future are either giant strides in shared services and reduced cost of delivery, or amalgamation. But for [Minister of Business Mark] Furey and [Premier Stephen] McNeil to sit back and say, 'It's up to them,' they're not doing their duty at the provincial level."

Furey has repeatedly called on the five municipal governments in the county to work more co-operatively if they want him to steer any new industry this way, but he's stopped short of threatening to impose amalgamation. Baillie was more direct on that point.

"It's up to municipalities whether they're prepared to drive that forward or not. Ultimately, if they're not, it's going to be up to the provincial government or voters themselves who will force this along."

Baillie said he's also frustrated with the inability of Eastlink to provide high-speed internet service to everyone in Lunenburg County.

"I am one of those who believes that high-speed internet is a utility that we all need to have in our households. You cannot ask rural Nova Scotia to start to grow and create jobs if they're missing, in some places, one of the basic building blocks of a modern economy."

Baillie said he doesn't buy Eastlink's argument that it's not commercially viable to provide the service everywhere in the county.

"I represent Cumberland South, which is a pretty rural constituency. Seaside Communications, a Nova Scotia company, provides the high-speed service in my area, and they've been very good. We are close to 100 per cent, and when someone puts up their hand and says, 'I can't get high speed in my area,' they go in and they find a way. We have to hold Eastlink and others to the same standard."

Furey is currently meeting with Eastlink, Seaside and other internet providers to find a solution for those across the province who don't have reliable service. The real estate industry has recently complained to the government about the difficulty some agents are having selling houses that don't have high-speed service.



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Because of the harsh winter weather, people are seeing more deer around roads and towns as they search for food.



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Lunenburg woman wants crack down on people feeding deer

Province doesn't have authority to prosecute under Wildlife Act

By **EMMA SMITH**
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A Lunenburg woman who's fed up with her neighbours feeding deer says the town needs to step up and create a bylaw prohibiting it.

"People can feed all the deer and there's nothing anyone can do about it because they're not breaking any law," said Susan Pratt, who lives on Green Street. "I thought there should be some type of recourse that the town or neighbours can have."

Pratt says Lyme disease has become "endemic" on her street because of the large number of deer attracted by a couple of neighbours who feed them. Pratt sees the deer nightly. They stare her down on the road and eat her hostas.

"We just see a lot," she said. "And they forage around and they're attracted by people who feed them all the time; day in, day out in the spring, winter, fall and summer."

But Lunenburg council is reluctant to pass a new bylaw for an issue some councillors say is contained to a couple of people in one area of town.

Last year, The Town of Bridgewater ditched plans to create a feeding wildlife bylaw, while this spring, Truro cracked down on feeders by fining them \$233. Meanwhile, the provincial wildlife act contains no law prohibiting people from feeding wild animals.

"We've been talking about doing something for a long time and nothing has happened. It's a persistent problem," said Donald Sam, a regional wildlife biologist with the Department of Natural Resources (DNR).

Sam added that the power lies with local municipalities to create rules that have teeth.

"The education method may work but if it doesn't, what are you left with? You still have the problem," he said.

Pratt's main concern with deer in her neighbourhood are the ticks they carry, which can spread Lyme disease. She says she's seen an "explosion" of the disease in the small town.

When she first approached Lunenburg council in 2007, she says the disease wasn't on the town's or the province's radar.

In April, Pratt sent another letter.

It stated, "Amongst some, I was called the 'Lyme Lady' and others regarded my warnings about Lyme disease and deer as alarmist and something that at the time was unimportant in Lunenburg. Well, I cannot resist saying 'I told you so.'"

She went on to write, "No amount of education, logic and persuasion has changed my neighbour's (and others') continuation of feeding wildlife."

Pratt says she knows of at least one of her neighbors who has contracted Lyme disease.

Still, Sam says the DNR office in Lunenburg hasn't received complaints about problem deer on Green Street nor about people feeding them. Overall, he expects the number of deer in Lunenburg has increased only slightly in the last two or three years, although with the harsh winter, sightings have gone up.

So far in 2015, DNR has recorded 49 dead or injured deer in all of Lunenburg County. In 2012, that number was 24. Sam credits the increase with stressed-out deer coming closer to roads and towns in search of food.

"They were more visible for sure," said Sam. "People probably saw more deer and they definitely hit more deer in the springtime, but it doesn't necessarily mean there was more deer in the woods."

Apart from human health concerns, Sam says feeding deer brings the usually solitary animals together, where disease and bad habits can be shared. It also increases the chances that they'll be hit by cars.

In 2013, Bridgewater residents approached council with similar concerns that people were feeding raccoons. But after announcing in June 2014 that it would create a new bylaw, council backed away from the idea and instead rolled out an education plan that included a newsletter insert, social media posts and a link on the town's website.

At a July 23 general government committee meeting, Lunenburg councillors decided to send staff to speak with people who are feeding deer and provide them with DNR information.

Councillor John McGee said he'd rather the town not write a bylaw "for what appears to be for two people."

But he added that people feeding wildlife are "going to have to stop one way or another. Either you stop voluntarily or we're going to have a bylaw. So save the town some money and just stop."

The education method may work but if it doesn't, what are you left with? You still have the problem."

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Monthly Meeting, LaHave Islands Marine Museum, Thursday, August 13, 7 p.m. at the hall.

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COMMUNITY

Garden Party, Tri District Fire Rescue, Newcombville, August 22, 4 p.m. Fun for adults and kids.

The Mill Village and District Volunteer Fire Department is hosting its annual major fundraiser, "Village Fest 2015," at the Mill Village fire hall, 39 Medway River Rd., Saturday, August 15, 1 - 8 p.m. This year's event will feature: a beer tent from 1 - 8 p.m., live music, 1 - 8 p.m., canteen 1 - 3 p.m., a large silent auction, 1 - 8 p.m., and supper from 4 - 6 p.m., that will have ham, hot dishes and salads. For more information, contact 902-677-2098 or 902-677-2896.

Tuesday, August 18, Silent Auction and Dessert Night, Wesley United Church, Petite Riviere, 6 - 8 p.m. Desserts \$5. Sponsored by UCW.

TEAS

Blueberry Social, Wednesday, August 26, 11 - 1 p.m., Riverport Community Center. Sandwiches, sweets, blueberry desserts, bowls of fresh blueberries and cream, beverages. Bake table. Adults \$9. Sponsored by St. Matthew's Lutheran Church.

Yard and Bake Sale, Saturday, August 15, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. St. Barnabas Anglican Church Hall Blue Rocks. Sponsored by St. Barnabas Ladies Guild

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SUPPERS

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SPECIAL OCCASIONS



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Rickey and Susan Spidle of Rose Bay, NS are pleased to announce the 1st Wedding Anniversary of their daughter Jaylynn and son-in-law Drew. Drew is the son of Mary and John Wagner, Back Centre Road, Lunenburg. A beach side ceremony was held in Kingsburg on August 30, 2014, with baby Lexi, family and friends.



Bob and Marlean Rhodenizer
60th Wedding Anniversary

Musical evening to celebrate the 60th anniversary of Bob and Marlean Rhodenizer of Barss Corner, on Sunday, August 16 at 6:30 p.m., Bridgewater Baptist Church, 564 Glen Allan Drive. Please share well-wishes in our guest book rather than with cards. No gifts please. A donation basket will be available for anyone wishing to contribute to the Church Building Fund in their honour.

FAMILY ALBUM

Friends and Family come wish **Murray Snyder** of Conquerall Bank a **Happy Birthday** on his 75th.

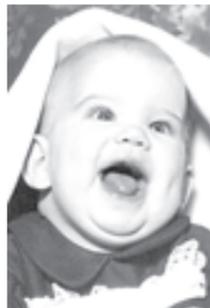
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There is a man named Roger Who lives on the North West Road, And on August 17th He will turn the Big 50. Love, Jessica and Daniel; Cassidy and Cayden



Happy 80th Birthday To a man who acts half his age (That's a good thing, by the way!) Please drop in to celebrate this milestone on Sunday, August 16, between 2 and 4 p.m., on the point, across from the Bayport family home. Spread the word, everyone welcome!



Mommie and Auntie Terri will be 40 on the 14th; Grampie Miles will be 65 on the 19th. Happy Birthday, love Ray, Ava, Charli and all our family and friends.



There was a young lady from Fancy Lake With 55 candles on her birthday cake, A daughter, a hard worker, a friend and a wife She spends spring time in the greenhouse, And winters down south enjoying the good life. Please join us in wishing her a real happy day On August 12, 54 goes away Finally Freedom 55 is here, so to help you celebrate Your friends will drink beer. So look at the bright side the situation is not dire In 10 to 20 years you may get to retire!

Happy Birthday, Rae
From your friends, Christine and Lucy xoxo

FAMILY ALBUM



Happy 90th Birthday on August 12 **Daisy Hume** at Ryan Hall. From your family.

GRADUATIONS



Ben Barkhouse Congratulations to Ben Barkhouse on graduating with honours from Central Kings Rural High in Cambridge, NS. He is the son of Boyd and Kim Barkhouse, Waterville, grandson of Martin and Josephine Walsh, Simpson's Corner, and Norma Scot and the late Ralph Barkhouse, New Germany. He is entering the Health Services Field at NSCC, Kingstech.

THANKS

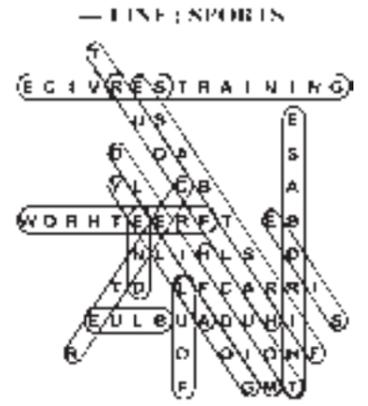
BREMNER: The family of the late Gordon Bremner Sr. of Chester, who passed away May 22, 2015, at the age of 83, would like to express our thanks for all the cards, phone calls, visits, flowers to the home, donations to charities, for the use of the East Chester hall for the reception, to everyone who helped and brought food. To the VON, home care, palliative care, niece Debby and Arnold for his appointments. Also to Rev. Dan Green for the graveside service and also Peter Gillis of Davis Funeral Home. Wife Bonna and family.

MEMORIALS

HUBLEY: In loving memory of our dear husband, father and grandfather, Eric Robert Hubley, who passed away August 9, 1996. No farewells were spoken, No time to say goodbye, You were gone before we knew it And only God knows why. We think of you in silence And often speak your name, All we have are memories And your picture in a frame. We hold you close within our hearts And there you will remain, To walk with us throughout our lives Until we meet again. Always loved, sadly missed, wife Muriel; sons Clay (Pam), Blair, Andy (Rose); daughter Donette (Harvey); grandsons Craig, Morgan, Ethan, Travis, Keith and Quentin; step-granddaughters Natasha and Anne; and step-great-granddaughters Caelyn and Carleigh; step-great-grandson Hayden.

CRANIAL CRUNCHES ANSWERS

August 12, 2015



CryptoQuip

answer
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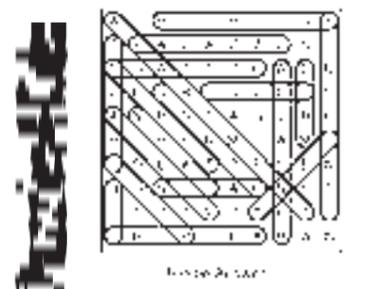
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answer
He who neglects learning in his youth, loses the past and is dead for the future.
— Euripides

Weekly SUDOKU

Answer

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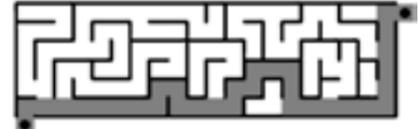
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Even Exchange

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 - 2. Fast Fast
 - 3. Beta Beta
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 - 10. Fast Fast

Kids' Maze Solution



MEMORIAMS

CONRAD: In loving memory of Elizabeth Brenda, who passed away August 13, 1985. The world may change from year to year And friends from day to day, But never will the one we loved From memory pass away. Three little words, forget me not Don't seem much, but mean a lot, To show you how much we think of you. Love, son Blair; mom, Otella; brother, Edson and families.

HOOPER: In loving memory of Pastor Jack Hooper, who passed away August 17, 2012. Death doesn't have the final say We have hope and comfort, Looking forward to the day When we'll never say goodbye again. Lovingly remembered, wife Lois and family.



FEENER: In loving memory of my brother, Rocky, who passed away August 18, 2011. For someone who meant so much And love by all he knew, Who left behind a trail of tears And precious memories too. We loved the sunshine in his smile And kindness in his heart, But heaven saw that he was tired Which meant we had to part. And now that it's his special day Dear angels, hear our prayer, Please guard him with your gentle wings And tend to him with great care. For he was someone wonderful And words just can't convey, How much we wish that he was here Once more, with us to stay. Forever loved and deeply missed each and every day. I miss you very much my brother and wish that you were still with us. I love you, your sister Wendy and brother-in-law, Al.

DEATHS

Jesse "Joyce" Murphy - 72, Mader's Cove, died July 31, 2015, at South Shore Regional Hospital, Bridgewater. Funeral arrangements under the direction of Dana L. Sweeney Funeral Home, Lunenburg.

Marie Sheppard - 58, Lunenburg, died August 2, 2015, at Fishermen's Memorial Hospital, Lunenburg. Funeral arrangements under the direction of Dana L. Sweeney Funeral Home, Lunenburg.

Audrey Jean Lewis - 70, Blue Rocks, died August 6, 2015, at QEII Health Sciences Centre, Halifax. Funeral arrangements under the direction of Dana L. Sweeney Funeral Home, Lunenburg.

Phyllis Irene Bolivar - 86, Conquerall Mills, died August 2, 2015, at Fishermen's Memorial Hospital, Lunenburg. Funeral arrangements under the direction of Sweeney's Funeral Home, Bridgewater.

Greta Pauline Richard - 87, Petite Riviere, died August 2, 2015, at South Shore Regional Hospital, Bridgewater. Funeral arrangements under the direction of Sweeney's Funeral Home, Bridgewater.

Jennie Gertrude Robar - 83, Whynott Settlement, died August 4, 2015, at South Shore Regional Hospital, Bridgewater. Funeral arrangements under the direction of Sweeney's Funeral Home, Bridgewater.

Donna Gale Greek - 67, Oakhill, died August 7, 2015, at home. Funeral arrangements under the direction of Sweeney's Funeral Home, Bridgewater.

OBITUARIES

Greta Pauline Richard

RICHARD, Greta Pauline - Age 87, Petite Riviere, Lunenburg Co., died August 2, 2015, in South Shore Regional Hospital, Bridgewater. Born in Hartford, Connecticut on July 15, 1928, she was the daughter of the late Steadman R. Conrad and Frances Pauline (Nowe) Conrad, formerly of Broad Cove, Lunenburg County. She was a former member of Emerald Rebekah Lodge No. 66, a member and Past Noble Grand of Turquoise Rebekah Lodge No. 132, member of the Jurisdictional Lodge Atlantic Provinces, a total of 60 years from November 1947 to November 2007. She was a member of Wesley United Church, Petite Riviere; a member of the Royal Canadian Legion ladies auxiliary Branch 24, Bridgewater; a charter member, past president and life member of the Petite Riviere Volunteer Fire Department ladies auxiliary, also a charter member of the Lunenburg West PCWA and a life member of the Nova Scotia PCWA. Surviving are her son, William Richard, Petite Riviere; daughter, Donna (Brian) Curley, Enfield; brother, Murray Conrad, Markham, Ont.; two grandchildren, six great-grandchildren, two nieces and one nephew. She was predeceased by husband, Ralph; brother, Courtney Conrad. There will be no visitation at the funeral home by request. Immediate family flowers only. A private committal service in the family plot in the United Church Cemetery, Petite Riviere will be held at a later date. Donations may be made to Wesley United Church, the Petite Riviere Volunteer Fire Department or any charity. Special thanks to the doctors and nurses of South Shore Regional Hospital third floor, palliative care doctors and nurses, VON nurses and homecare providers. Arrangements entrusted to Sweeney's Funeral Home, Bridgewater where on-line condolences may be made by visiting <http://www.sweeneysfuneralhome.com> or by messaging condolences@sweeneysfuneralhome.com.

Bonita Adele Croft



CROFT, Bonita Adele, 67, of Buckfield, Queens County, passed away peacefully in Queens General Hospital, Liverpool on July 24, 2015. Born in Liverpool, she was a daughter of the late Francis and Beatrice (Baker) Joudrey. Bonita was a secretary for Freeman Lumber for over 10 years. She was a member of the Greenfield Sewing Circle, the Ladies Auxiliary Greenfield Fire Department, the Jolly Ponhookers Seniors Group and the Greenfield United Baptist Church where she sang in the choir, and taught Sunday School. She was also a Brownie and Girl Guide Leader in her younger years. She is survived by her husband Douglas; her daughters, Darlene Crouse, of Waterloo; Amanda Croft (Jamie Saucy), of Halifax; her son, Dennis, of Buckfield; and her daughter-in-law, Sindy Croft, of Greenfield; her grandchildren, Allie (Jason) Veinot, Shelby Crouse, Noah Johnson, Melissa Croft and her great-grandson Ryker Veinot; her sisters, Betty Roy and Brenda Croft (David McKinnon), both of Greenfield; and many nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her sister Pat McFeters. Cremation has taken place under the direction of Chandlers' Funeral Home, Liverpool. Visitation will be Tuesday, August 11, 2015, from 7 until 9 p.m. in Chandlers' Funeral Chapel, Liverpool. Funeral service will be Wednesday, August 12, 2015 at 11 a.m. in Greenfield United Baptist Church. Rev. Wade Harvey officiating. Burial will be in Pine Rest Cemetery, Greenfield. Family flowers only, donations may be made to The Greenfield United Baptist Church, the Canadian Cancer Society or to a charity of your choice. On-line condolences may be made to <http://www.chandlersfuneral.com>.

Avalon "Abbie" James 1924 - 2015

Avalon "Abbie" Edith James - 91, Lapland, passed away July 20, 2015, in Fishermen's Memorial Hospital, Lunenburg. Born in Lapland, she was a daughter of the late Guy and Estella (Johnson) Thompson. Surviving are her sister, Pauline "Polly" Zwicker, Lapland; nieces and nephews, Gale, Lynne, Elaine, Kelly, Mark, Debbie, Karen, Robbie; and their children and grandchildren. She was predeceased by her brother, Robert "Buddy" Thompson; and nephew, Ted Zwicker. Abbie grew up loving music. She played the organ by ear as did her mother before her and she enjoyed singing the old country and gospel songs with Buddy as well as going to dances. She loved visits with her nieces and nephews and our children and grandchildren. Many of us benefitted from her sewing, knitting and crocheting abilities. She spent over 20 years as a 4-H leader teaching sewing and crafts to the members who soon came to realize that behind her sometimes stern manner, "The General" as they called her, really cared about them and how they were doing. She became a common sight at Exhibition, working in the canteen or selling tickets. She will be missed by many. The funeral was held on Friday, July 24, 2015, at the Lapland United Baptist Church with Pastor Cathy Uhlman and Rev. David Collins Carter officiating. Interment in Green Haven Cemetery, Lapland. Card of Thanks The family would like to thank Pastor Cathy Uhlman and Rev. David Collins Carter for the service of comfort and Praise; Ann Faulkner for the special music; the pallbearers; all those who sent flowers, cards and memorials; the staff at Fishermen's Memorial Hospital and Krista Corkum and staff for their kindness and respectful guidance.



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ALMOST THERE

Terry Melloy of Bridgewater heads for the finish line at the 24th annual Cherry Hill Fun Run on Saturday. The 10-kilometre run through Broad Cove raises money for the United Communities fire department.

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Lunenburg Library drafts proposal, seeks feedback ahead of move

By **EMMA SMITH**
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There's no shortage of ideas when it comes to the Lunenburg library's future home on the hill, but there's less certainty over just how those ideas will become reality.

That's because while Lunenburg town council approved the concept in April, there's still no formal plan on what it'll take to accommodate a modern library in the historic Lunenburg Academy.

"The actual details of making that move happen and finding a way to finance it – because it's probably going to have some kind of cost attached – remains to be worked out," said development coordinator Scott Burke.

Basic renovations have now begun on the Academy, but major work that's specific to the library won't get underway until a proposal is submitted and a plan drafted.

At the library's current location on Pelham Street, library staff are working on a proposal they hope to have done by the end of August. The first step is seeking input from the community.

They've got a blank floor plan stationed at the front desk so that people can see the space and pitch in ideas.

"The move is a positive thing, but if we don't consult with people and we don't know what they want, after the fact it's a little late," said Teresa Workman, com-

munications coordinator for South Shore Public Libraries.

People have said they'd like to see more nooks and crannies to read and more space between the computers and the books.

"I think the trick is to marry the good things that come from contemporary libraries with the great things that comes from cultural, older libraries. And it's possible. We just have to do it right," said Workman.

Inside the Academy, the space set aside for the library includes two classrooms, and possibly half of another classroom on the main floor, as well as the hallways connecting them. It's different than the more open space that the library has on Pelham Street.

"Being in separate rooms makes that a little tough, so we'll just have to change how we do things," said Jeff Mercer, the deputy chief librarian. "Here, it's a little easier because the desk is right in the middle and you can see everything all the time. We won't be able to do that, but that's okay."

Mercer says his team will use every inch of space that's available, including the hallways where he hopes to have rest areas and help stations.

Although Mercer said it would be nice to have a more open-concept space, the basic structure of the divided classrooms will likely stay the same, said Burke.

"There may be a few small things that



EMMA SMITH PHOTO

Teresa Workman and Jeff Mercer are looking for public input on what the community wants in the library's new location.

might be able to be done, but in many cases, the walls are load bearing walls and so to open it up that means putting beams in," said Burke. "That's a major, major undertaking."

The plans for the library will also have to take into consideration stricter load requirements necessary for walls and floors that have to support heavy books and shelves.

"I think we've got some challenges, but I think we have more opportunity than challenges," said Burke. "The purpose of building that building was to be educative, scholastic. It's a school, so it's really built

for learning and sharing of knowledge."

That's why Mercer thinks the library is a perfect addition to the community concept that's being developed in the historic building. In July, the town put a call out to businesses, groups and organizations to send in proposals to be tenants.

There's still no timeline on when the library will move in, but Burke said some of the other tenants could start to move in by early next year.

The renovation work that's happening now is in preparation for those tenants, and includes taking out the old windows and having them sent away to be refurbished.

Mercer and Workman are excited about the possibilities. Both say they would like the library to use the outside of the Academy for author readings or children's programs.

"There's 111 libraries or something like that in Nova Scotia and every single one is different and they're every size from one room up to the brand new central library in Halifax," said Mercer. "So it'll work. I don't have any doubt about that. It's just going to be a big change."

Moving the library's roughly 6,000 books, DVDs, magazines, and everything else up the street will be another challenge, but one that Mercer is confident people will help out in when the time comes.

To learn more, check out www.southshorepubliclibraries.ca.

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ALL ARE WELCOME - from near or far!

ADVERTORIAL

Driven by service

Adam and Denise Burgess win brand-new MX5 GT from Bridgewater Mazda

By Patrick Hirtle
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To use the parlance associated far and wide with the Mazda name, it literally was the perfect night to Zoom-Zoom off into the sunset.

If you happened past Bridgewater Mazda on August 5, you couldn't help but notice the energetic and ebullient crowd that was gathered for a little after-hours celebration.

The event was many things to many people, offering food and refreshments, door prizes, and providing a chance for Mazda Bridgewater, through evening emcee Eric Whynot, to reflect on national-level sales and service recognition earned two years in a row.

But, as important and fun as each of those things are, there were none more excited than Adam and Denise Burgess who, on Wednesday night, got to drive off, with their two children, Caillum and Ainsley, in a brand-new 2015 MX5 GT six-speed convertible.

The pair were the lucky winners of Bridgewater Mazda's give away of the MX5 GT after filling out a customer-sales/service survey and having their names selected.

All smiles and eyes wide with excitement, the Burgesses thanked Bridgewater Mazda and all who came out to the event, before Denise and Ainsley slipped inside their beautiful new car.

"On behalf of the entire Bridgewater Mazda staff, I want to thank everyone for coming out on this gorgeous evening -- this is a big event that we have going on here tonight and it's very exciting for

a couple of people in particular," Whynot said in his welcoming remarks.

Whynot noted that in his role in the community, he's had the privilege of working with Billy and Jimmy, in various capacities, for about six-and-a-half years, and has followed closely the evolution of Bridgewater Mazda since it opened.

It was exciting, he said, to see so many folks turn out to celebrate.

"To have something like this happen here in Bridgewater and with this family is tremendous."

In addition to the Burgess family receiving their hot new ride, the event also saw substantial gift certificates from the Knot Pub, the Grand Banker, the River Pub, and White Point Beach Lodge given away through random draws as door prizes.

Mazda representatives, including Mazda Canada regional manager of Ontario and the Atlantic Stephen Wambolt,

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Eric Whynot
Emcee

and Gordon Bowser and Todd Thomander of Mazda's Halifax branch, were on hand for the celebrations as well.

The event was, without doubt, the cul-



Adam and Denise Burgess, along with children Caillum and Ainsley, can't contain their smiles after winning a 2015 MX5 GT from Bridgewater Mazda, all because they took the time to fill out a customer-service survey.

mination of Mazda's ascension in the Bridgewater area and here on the South Shore.

Not only has the dealer done its primary job by providing great sales and service to folks on the road here at home, but those efforts haven't gone unnoticed at a higher level.

"Another thing that comes along with this dealership, and it's something that Bridgewater Mazda's Billy Sewell and I have had numerous conversations about, is the Dealer of Distinction Award that Mazda Bridgewater has won two years in a row," Whynot explained in his remarks.

"It's something we're very proud of, because it ties everything together -- both sales and service," Sewell said.

"It's not something that they always

come out publicly and acknowledge, but it's something that I want to acknowledge here tonight," Whynot added. "They should be very proud of the Dealer of Distinction Award -- a very small percentage of dealers in Canada actually get this award -- and Bridgewater Mazda has been able to do it two years in a row."

Whynot also hinted that Billy and the Bridgewater Mazda staff may not be done just yet with exciting giveaways.

"We've had so much fun here tonight, with such a great turn out, we really want to keep things on a roll," he said.

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