



Municipality of the District of St. Mary's & St. Mary's Recreation

2014 Municipal Newsletter

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The DEADLINE to have information submitted for the March issue of the Newsletter is March 19th at 4:00 p.m. Submissions can be received by fax: 522-2309 or drop off at Office 8296 Highway #7 Sherbrooke or email: council@saint-marys.ca. Subject line must read NEWSLETTER SUBMISSION. Also please note that we reserve the right to edit any and all submissions to this newsletter.

COUNCIL MEETING: The next Regular Meeting of St. Mary's Municipal Council will be held on **Monday March 10th, 2014**. The public is invited to attend.

Municipal Grants to Organizations

Any request for funding from Community Organizations for the **2014/2015 Municipal fiscal budget** must be made by application (available at the Municipal Office, and on our website www.saint-marys.ca) and submitted no later than March 31, 2014 at 4pm – No exceptions.

Incomplete applications will NOT be accepted, please contact us with any questions.

Low Income Exemption

St. Mary's Municipal Council is once again offering a **\$110.00 exemption** to be applied to your Property Tax Bill for households with incomes \$18,700 or less. Applications are available at the Municipal Office, or by contacting your local councillor. Deadline to submit is May 30, 2014. Be sure to attach copy of your **Canada Revenue Agency Notice of Assessment from 2013**

Guysborough Country Careers Nova Scotia Centre



We are located in the St. Mary's Municipal Office Building and are open to the public every 2nd and 4th Wednesday. Our office dates

for the month of March are the 12th and 26th, 2014. We look forward to assisting you!

The Guysborough County Careers Nova Scotia Centre can assist you in making your career and education decisions. Through a one-on-one session, you will gain information on what employment opportunities are available and will provided with up to date labour market information. You can create or update your resume and cover letter and apply for jobs. We offer information on educational opportunities and provide assistance with funding application for Employment Nova Scotia programs.

Please contact Dorothy Bennett or Kim Avery at 1-888-533-1906, for all your employment and career decision needs.

St. Mary's Recplex

Ice will be removed the end of March. On behalf of staff at the St. Mary's Recplex, the Municipality of St. Mary's would like to thank all residents and visitors for their support of the facility over the 2013/14 season. We value the Recplex and its important place in our community. We hope to continue to use the Recplex over the spring and summer, and we look forward to the next season!

Free Skate

Our last free skate at the St. Mary's Recplex will be March 15th, 2014. Thanks to everyone who supported our Free Skates this season. Free Skates at the St. Mary's Recplex were made possible by the Province of Nova Scotia through the Thrive Initiative. We hope to see you again next year!



2014 Volunteer Awards

Thank you to all community groups who nominated volunteers for this year's awards ceremony! The St. Mary's Volunteer Awards will be held at the St. Mary's District Lion's Hall on Saturday, **April 12th** starting at 6:00 p.m. Nominated volunteers will receive an invitation by mail in the near future. Municipal Council will be choosing one nominated volunteer from our municipality to represent our district as Volunteer of the Year for St. Mary's. This individual will be invited to attend the Provincial Volunteer Awards Ceremony and Luncheon during National Volunteer Week! For more information, get in touch with Recreation Coordinator Kerri Penney at 522-2598.



Civic Sign

Please make sure your "civic" number is visible from the road as all emergency vehicles rely very much on these so as to provide residents with prompt service. If you require a reflective white on blue sign on a post, please contact us at 522-2049.

Also Note: Sherbrooke Village Rally That Gives weekend of August 23-24, 2013 raised \$10,473.00 for the Lodge that Gives in Halifax!

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Brunch

March 4 from 11 am – 1 pm

Port Bickerton Community Centre

Adults - \$8, Children - \$5

Pancakes, Sausage, Beans, Dessert,
Coffee, Tea or Juice

Sponsored by: WINS

Come Have Lunch With Us!



The next meeting of the *St. Mary's ATV Club* will be held Thursday March 13th at 6pm. Please note this meeting will be held at the United Church Basement, Sherbrooke. There will be discussion on new trail development in the District. All members and interested riders welcome.

Join us at the Sherbrooke Village Information Centre, Building #1 on ***Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1 to 2:30 pm for a wagon ride.*** Please call to confirm availability 522-2400 or 1-888-743-7845

"Old Fashioned Christmas" has been named as one of the top festivals in the province! It's through the hard work of staff and volunteers that our event has attracted over 5,800 visitors this year and is now recognized alongside the Royal Nova Scotia International Tattoo, Celtic Colors, Atlantic Film Festival, Halifax Jazz Festival and other signature events across the province. Visit the website:

<http://www.mydestination.com/novascotia/travel-articles/722478/top-nova-scotia-festivals>

Port Bickerton Women's Institute News

Next meeting, **March 6th, 7pm** at Community Centre Quilt plans are well underway and more plans for Social Days in the works... Lot's of spring planning underway... *Come out and share your Ideas and Talents with us... Friends and Visitors always Welcome*

Port Bickerton Social Days

The Port Bickerton Women's Institute, in partnership with St. Mary's Rec will be continuing Social /Games Days at the Community Centre...

Feb.26... 1pm to 4pm refreshments served by Rec.Dept.

March 12... 10am to 3pm with Hot Meal served at Noon

April is Cancer Month and we are letting people know that during the month of April canvassers will be out collecting. The areas that we require volunteers are Sonora, Goshen, and Ecum Secum.

Collected in 2012: Door to Door \$2,866.25
Daffodil Sales \$916.50

Collected in 2013: Door to Door \$2,363.25
Daffodil Sales \$592.00



Should you have any questions regarding the St. Mary's Cancer Unit, Contact Alice Kennedy 522-2518 or Ola Laing 522-2046, members of the executive.

March 26... 1pm to 4pm with light refreshments

Bring your favorite game, hobby, ideas or a friend... Or drop in for Lunch.... Hope to see you there...

Our Social Days are becoming very successful...
The Port Bickerton WINS would like to THANK everyone coming out to enjoy our times together and our Centre...And a Special Thanks to neighbors dropping in to Help. We also want to extend appreciation to St. Mary's Rec. Dept. for their continued involvement and support...

There was a surprise Valentine Party last month and a wonderful gift to a participant.... We even had a Valentine King and Queen.... Great time was had by all...Hope to see YOU at our next gathering!!!!

Port Bickerton Community Center
Penny Auction, Cake Walk, and 50/50

March 28th

Canteen will be open
FUN FOR ALL AGES

Sponsored by the Port Bickerton Community Club

ROYAL CAN. LEGION BR. #86 LISCOMB

Next general meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 4
Please take time to attend and support your legion

ACTIVITIES:

AUCTION 45's – Thursdays at 8pm \$5

CRIBBAGE – Saturdays at 8pm \$5

Chase the Ace : Thursdays 5:30 -6:45

Winning ticket holder of the weekly 50/50 draw will cut the deck in hopes of revealing The ACE OF SPADES and winning the JACKPOT. Every week the Jackpot grows and the deck decreases by one card until the Ace of Spades is revealed. Ticket draw at 7pm

Lottery # AGD-100469-14

Benefit Potluck Supper

Benefit potluck supper at the Goshen Community Center Hosted by the Goshen Volunteer Fire Department in aid of Eddy Hendsbee who recently lost his home & belongings in a fire.

March 1, 2014 4-6 pm (Storm date March 2)

Adults - \$10 Children - \$5

Thank you for your support, monetary donations can be sent to: Goshen Fire Dept. c/o Mary Sinclair
RR#2 Goshen, NS B0H 1M0

Goshen Community Centre

Crib Night is held every Sunday at 7:00 P.M.

Admission: \$5.00 - Bring a Partner

Game & Social Day is held every Wednesday at 1pm

Everyone Welcome!

Refundable Bottle Program

The Goshen Community Centre continues to accept donations of refundable bottles and cans. Donations can be placed in the baby barn at any time. Thank you for your continuous support with this fundraiser.

St. Mary's District Food Bank

If you are in need of assistance (on-going or emergency basis), or would like information about the Food Bank please call 328-4148 and leave a message. The phone number is exclusive to the Food Bank and all calls are confidential. Boxes for donations of non-perishable food items are located in Sherbrooke at St. Mary's Hospital and Clover Farm. We would appreciate it if donors would check to make sure food items are not out of date.

Greetings from High-Crest Sherbrooke

Residents celebrating birthdays this month are:

Martha Lafford-Diaz March 24th

Congratulations Martha we will celebrate on March 11th at 1:15, we will play bingo, sing some songs, and enjoy each others company as well as cake and ice cream! Everyone is welcome!

It is with great pleasure that I announce this years Valentine King and Queen; Congratulations **King John Bennett and Queen Cecelia Grace!** May you have a wonderful year!

Seniors Luncheon

Tuesday, April 8, 2014 at the Ecum Secum Fire Hall. Starting at 12:00 p.m. Ham and Veggies. Donation Box at the door. Take out available after all others have been served.

Ecum Secum Altar Guild

Soup & Chowder luncheon and Bake table will be held Saturday March 8th starting at 11 o'clock at Ecum Secum Fire Hall.

Adults \$7 Children \$4 Children under 5years free.

There will be fish chowder, corn chowder, seafood chowder, pea soup, hamburger soup and desserts etc. proceeds for St. Barnabas Altar Guild

Chowder Luncheon

Fish, and Corn Chowder
Tea, Coffee and Dessert
March 22nd

Port Bickerton Community Centre
11:30 – 1:00 Adults \$8.00, Child \$5.00



Sonora/St. Mary's River Community Centre

A Penny Auction, Cake Walk and Sorry Game will be held at the Sonora/St. Mary's River Community Centre

Date: April 11th **Time:** 7:00 p.m.

Centre will be open on Thursday and Friday to drop off donations. Please come out and support our fundraising event.

Compass Rose Quilt Guild

Quilt show and Tea

April 26th 2-4 p.m.

Exhibit Centre

Free will donation

See what projects we've been working on while enjoying a cup of tea

Penny Auction

Benefit for Lanny Boutlier during cancer treatments

March 16 @ 2pm – Lions Hall, Sherbrooke

Donations can be dropped off at Shoppers Drug Mart

Ecum Secum Fire Hall

A Chinese Combination Plated Dinner will be held on March 22nd, 2014 at the Ecum Secum fire Hall.

Prices as follows: Adults \$12.00, Children 6-12 years 6-12 years \$6.00, 5 and under free.

Price includes Tea, Coffee, meal and dessert.

An Easter Penny Auction will be held at the Ecum Secum Fire Hall on April 5, 2014. Starts at 7pm, there will also be a lunch and a chocolate walk.

Price for penny auction is 25 cents per number

Proceeds for the Fire Department. Everyone

Welcome.

St. Mary's Shooters Association

Sat. March 22nd – Canadian Firearms Safety Course
Stillwater Community Centre, 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Sat. March 23rd – Canadian Restricted Firearms Course
Stillwater Community Centre, 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Sat. March 29th – Nova Scotia Hunter Safety Course
Stillwater Community Centre 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

To apply for these courses apply and pay online at www.hnatiuks.com

Please bring proof of registration, I.D., and lunch to courses. The Stillwater Community Centre is located at 9558 Hwy. 7 in Stillwater, Guysborough County.

For more information call 783-2820.

Also see our website www.smsa.ca for more details and

an overview of our 2014 calendar of events

Thanks – President John Day

Port Bickerton and Area Planning Association

The Port Bickerton and Area Planning Association will be hosting a Pot Luck Supper on Saturday, **March 1st, 2014** from 4-6 p.m. at the Port Bickerton Community Centre. Cost is \$10.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children 12 years and younger. Proceeds go to the lighthouse project.

Hi Everyone! My name is Bethany Dugas and I am a resident of St. Mary's Municipality as well as a student in the Natural Resource Environmental Technology Program at NSCC. I'm doing a research project on waste sorting in St. Mary's. I want to know how you are managing your waste, what's working for you and what isn't and what services you would like to see. I will be sharing the results of the survey with St. Mary's Municipal Council and with Eastern Region Solid Waste Management, so your results could help the municipality make decisions about solid waste management. In March, students of St. Mary's Education Centre/Academy will be bringing home surveys that can be completed and sent back to the school. I will also be visiting residences in person with the surveys, and providing residents with information about where the completed surveys can be dropped off. For those of you who would like to participate, the surveys can also be completed at this address online:

<http://kwiksurveys.com/s.asp?sid=0kykozr5y5bohy307684>

Thanks so much for helping out!



Please accept our sincere thanks for all who assisted during the very sudden death of my brother Ellis Nauffts of Liscomb N.S. on January 30, 2014. Thanks to St. Mary's Hospital and staff, Liscomb Fire Department, friends who phoned and sent cards. Your kindness will always be remembered - Sister Rita and Karl

Pancake, Beans and Sausage Supper

Tuesday, March 4th 4-6 p.m.

Liscomb Legion. Proceeds for St. Luke's Anglican Church. Adults \$8.00 Children \$5.00

Monthly meeting of Liscomb Fire Dept. is Monday, February 24th and March 31st. 6:30 p.m.
Training March 17th at 6:30.

Thank you!

I would like to extend a huge thank you to the Sherbrooke Village Commission, the Sherbrooke Village Development Society and the staff of Sherbrooke

Village for the wonderful retirement party. To all who sent cards, passed along well wishes, helped with the evening in any way and to those who shared this special evening with me – Thank you. Special thanks to Mark Sajavich for his kind words and Keith Gallant for hosting. A big Thank You – George Cook

Glenelg Presbyterian Church March Schedule

Sunday March 2nd 10:00 am Church Service

Sunday March 9th 10:00 am Church Service

10:10 am Sunday School

Sunday March 16th 10:00 am Church Service

Sunday March 23rd 10:00 am Church Service

10:10 am Sunday School

Sunday March 30th 10:00 am Church Service

Everyone is welcome to our services. All ages are welcome to our Sunday School.

A four week Bible study will begin Tuesday, March 25th at 10:00 am. We will be finished by 11:00 am.

A very informal bible study. We will be studying the Book of Jonah. If you have any questions please call Debbie Stewart at 522-2251 or by email at Deborah.r.stewart@bellaliant.net

The 2014 World Day of Prayer Service, "Streams in the Desert", will be held on Friday, March 7th, 7:00 PM, at Sonora Baptist Church, 1871 Sonora Road. The guest speaker is Rev. Marilyn Haugen-Strand, Anglican Parish of Liscomb/Port Bickerton. (The storm date is Friday, March 14th.)



The Community Choir, under the direction of Iris Hayes, will begin practice on Monday, March 3rd, 2014, for a sacred SPRING Concert to be held in May. If you are interested in joining the choir, there is room

for YOU! We meet on Monday evenings at 7:00 PM at Port Hillford United Baptist Church.

ANGLICAN PARISH OF LISCOMB/PORT BICKERTON MARCH SCHEDULE

Transfiguration Sunday

Sun, March 2nd -

9:30 am-Eucharist-**St Paul's**, Port Bickerton

4pm-Eucharist, **St James**, Sherbrooke (Joint with St Luke's)

Tues. March 4th

10:00 am **Highcrest** Nursing Home

Wed., March 5th

7:00 pm-Evening Prayer-**St Thomas**, Indian Harbour Lake

First Sunday in Lent

Sun.March 9th

9:30-Eucharist, **St. Thomas**, Indian Harbour Lake

11:00-Eucharist, **St. Luke's**, Liscomb (Joint with St James)

Wed, March 12th

7:00 pm, Evening Eucharist, **St Paul's** Bickerton

Second Sunday in Lent

Sun.March, 16

9:30-**St Luke** Morning Prayer

11:00- Joint Morning Prayer of St Thomas and St Paul's at **St Thomas**

Wed. March 19th

7:00 pm **St James-Maple Manor** –Evening Eucharist

Third Sunday in Lent

Sun.March 23

9:30 am-**St James** Morning Prayer –**Maple Manor**

11:00 am-Joint Morning Prayer **St Paul's** (with St Thomas)

6:30 pm -**St Luke** Evening prayer

Fourth Sunday in Lent

Sun. March 30th

11:00 am -Joint Parish Eucharist at **St Thomas**, Indian Harbour Lake

Pot Luck in Indian Harbour Lake/Jordanville Hall to follow

FAITH JOURNEYS FOR CHILDREN

An experiential Christian Education Program for children aged 5-13

When: 2 or 3 **Mondays** a month March 17, 31 April 7, 14

Where: Anglican Rectory (40 old Road Hill)

Rev. Marilyn will meet the children at the school and walk over with them.

What: stories, discussions, skits, plays, games, music and arts and crafts

Everyone Welcome

LENTEN BIBLE STUDY

March 11, 18, April 8, 15

10:00 am Rectory (40 old Hill road Sherbrooke)

2:00 pm Port Bickerton ,location TBA

INTER-GENERATIONAL BOARD GAME EVENT

Sat March 15th 1 pm-5 pm at the Rectory (40 old hill road, Sherbrooke). Bring along your favorite games and snack or beverage to share (optional) All ages welcome

For information on the parish contact Priest in Charge: Rev Marilyn Haugen-Strand

522-2510 revmarilynhs@gmail.com Check us out on

facebook: Parish of Liscomb and Port Bickerton



***Indian Harbour Lake
Pentecostal Church
March Worship & Activities***

Sunday, March 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd & 30th

11:00 am Morning Worship

Sunday, March 9th & 16th

11:00 a.m. Guest Speaker: Bruce Parsons
Sunday, March 16th
6:30 p.m. Praise & Prayer

Weekday Activities

Wednesday, March 19th

7:00 p.m. Bible Study

Friday, March 21st

7:00 p.m. Youth Group (Ages 12 – 18)
at the parsonage

All are Welcome! For more information, contact
Pastor Dave Connolly at 522-2759
or pastordave@ihlpentecostalchurch.ca

*The Baptist Congregation of Port Hillford,
Port Bickerton and Sonora*

(Members of the Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches)

We welcome you to our March worship services:

Mar 2, 11 AM – Port Bickerton United Baptist Church

Mar 9, 11AM – Sonora Baptist Church

Mar 16, 11 AM – Port Hillford United Baptist Church

Mar 23, 11AM – Port Bickerton United Baptist Church

Mar 30, 11 AM – Sonora Baptist Church

Tuesday evenings: 'Through the Bible' Study, 6:30
PM, call 522-2087 for location. For further info, call
522-2087 or email hbs.baptist@ns.sympatico.ca

(Rev. Norman Pearce)



An interdenominational **Ladies Bible Study** meets at 1:30 PM on Wednesdays at Maple Manor Lounge. You are invited to join us for the study, **NO WORRIES: Learning to Trust our Sovereign God**, beginning on March 5, 2014. Do you struggle with worries and wish you didn't? This study will help you learn how to walk in God's truth and to trust Him. For more information, contact Shirley Pearce (522-2087).