

# The Canning Gazette

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## HAPPY 2012 TO ALL

Dear Friends:

So here we are again, facing forward in a brand new year. It's always intriguing to look back and ahead as one year gives over to another. 2012 looks like a drift of freshly fallen snow, unmarred by tracks or clumps of slush or other detritus, while 2011 resembles the gunk left over in spring as snowdrifts recede. Let's hope 2012 is a year of good things, as opposed to some of the losses and sorrows of the past year.

While I was working on this issue of the Gazette, Kings County was shaken with a loss as the former Wandlyn, now known as the Pineview Inn and Girasole Restaurant, was destroyed by fire. This results in the loss of more jobs in Kings County, but happily no one was lost in the blaze, and a couple of firefighters sustained non-life-threatening injuries. Earlier in the week, friends of mine had lost their Inn to a similar fire in Saint John, New Brunswick, and of course we all know about White Point near Liverpool.

What these and other fires do for me is prompt me to remind people to have working smoke detectors throughout their businesses and properties. Have adequate insurance, and a fireproof lockbox or safe in which to store valuable papers and other items. Most of all, make sure you've planned escape routes and meeting places for everyone in your family or business. Buildings can be replaced. People cannot.

As a journalist, I spend a great deal of time reading, both print publications and



*Eagle Watch weekends will soon be upon us, which of course means the amazing community meals will be happening. From pancake breakfasts in Sheffield Mills to bean suppers in Kingsport, Eagle-watch is great family fun.*

online material. Recently I saw something that I really liked, that is evolving as a practical offshoot of the Occupy movement that swept around the world last fall. Many people complained that movement was too broadbased and that there wasn't enough emphasis on what individuals could do. But what I saw that I thought we could grab onto was a simple motto. "RE-Occupy Main Street. Buy local. Pay cash."

Seven simple words. What if we were to do more of this? Shopping locally, paying cash rather than relying on plastic that makes money for big banks and corporations like Visa? Encouraging new businesses to set up in our community, and supporting them? We could make a lot of positive

changes if we'd focus more on getting what we need from local businesses, and spending less on plastic junk we think we want from the bigbox stores.

That's my goal this year. Not a resolution, which fall quickly by the wayside, but a goal to be worked toward. To rework my own purchasing habits as much as possible, and to encourage everyone to think local, and help RE-occupy Main Street. We could make our wonderful community that much better. Will you join me?

*Cheers, jodi*

### District 1 Strategic Plan

The Canning Village Commission is pleased to inform the public that the District 1-Canning and Area Strategic Plan

has been completed. Many representatives from Canning and surrounding communities spent several meetings compiling input on how to improve our area for ourselves and visitors alike. A huge thank you goes to Jennifer Weisner and Steven Kerr from Kings Regional Development Agency who mediated this planning process. Highlights are as follows:

**Vision:** A vibrant and self-renewing community which unites surrounding communities through the celebration of our assets: natural beauty, arts, recreation, entertainment, agriculture, tourism, culture, heritage, lands, residents and businesses.

**Mission:** To invigorate and enthuse the community at large to generate input,

support and assistance in making this a great place to live and drive to, not drive through.

Goals: - To be a full service community - To engage the business community - To build an inviting downtown core and inviting surrounding areas - To protect, celebrate and promote our assets

The complete Strategic Plan is available at the Village office or online at [canningnovascotia.ca](http://canningnovascotia.ca)

We are now looking for volunteers to sit on Committees to assist in moving forward with the Strategic Plan at the Action Item level. If you are interested in helping out in any way, or would like more information, please contact the following individuals: Volunteerism/Youth Committee: Gloria Porter - 582-3827; Business Association: Peter Wilson (CAPRE), 582-1280; Tourism/Culture/Heritage: Lynda Lockyer, 582-1307; Marketing/Communications: Chris O'Neill, 582-3842/582-3910

A huge thank you goes out to all those who participated in the sessions – the Village appreciates all of your input!

### Updates on Glooscap Arena

As we head into the last year Arena fundraising at least from a government perspective, we can take a look at the achievements we have made to date. \* There is a shiny red Ice-resurfacers which is giving the ice in Canning as good a finish as any Arena in the Valley.

\* There is a new Tractor Storage facility that not only houses the new Olympia, but also is a base for a new electrical and heating infrastructure for the Arena.

\* There is a de-humidifying system that has provided a much dryer interior. I don't think anyone misses the constant drip of water on those warmer days and nights.

\* There is a new bleacher, pro-



As soon as the ice goes out this April we will begin preparations for a new Board and Glass System and also new dressing rooms. The latter we may not be able to finish right away depending on how far our money goes.

When we look back at our original goals when undertaking this work we could say we fell a bit short. But we should look at the glass as being half full as opposed to half empty. A paved parking

pane heating system that allows those who dislike the cold to be a bit warmer while watching hockey or skating.

\* There is a new washroom facility for guys and girls.

\* There is a brand new shiny roof that should extend the life of our facility for many years forward.

lot, an extension on the arena, canteen and warm room renovations may not happen. However many improvements have been made and the life expectancy of the Arena looks much better now.

Thanks to all in the local community who have supported our upgrades financially or with your volunteer time.

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BY MICHAEL COYLE

As many will know, I have been living in Delhaven and practising law locally for about 25 years. For most of that time I was a partner in the Kentville law firm Muttart Tufts Dewolfe & Coyle where I practised civil litigation, criminal and employment law. In recent years, after doing further graduate studies at Dalhousie, I was working as a lawyer and advisor in the public sector in Halifax and, for the last few years, as Legal Counsel and Chief Negotiator for the Nova Scotia Nurses' Union.

Tired of the long commute, I have now returned to private practice here. My new firm is called MVC Private Law and I focus on helping people, businesses and organizations to resolve their differences outside of the Court system through mediation and private arbitration.

I also advise and represent private clients, and provide second legal opinions, on employment law, negotiations, contract disputes, government relations, insurance law, criminal and human rights cases and the like.

I have always been active in our community, having served for many years on the boards of Apple Tree Landing, the Kid's Action Program and the Annapolis Valley District Health Authority. I currently volunteer at the Valley Community Learning Association.

In addition to being a lawyer, I am also a Professional Agrologist (P.Ag.) and

I have a special interest in agricultural law and policy.

I can be reached by email at michael@mvc-private-law.ca or by phone at 582-3430.

**From the Library**

Happy New Year to everyone, especially to our valued volunteers. We welcome our newest volunteer, Ashley Burns who works at the Library on alternate Saturdays. Our winter hours are Tuesday and Thursday 2:00 - 5:00; Friday and Saturday 10:00 - 1:00.

Feel free to call the Library at 582-7699 to check to see if we are open on a school "snow day" and bring the family in for a story time. Tea and sweets will be served between 2:30 - 4:00 on Thursday, January 26th, weather permitting. Please drop in for a chat and check out the book shelves for something new to read over the winter months. We still have many books for sale at very reasonable prices. The 2012 Historical Calendars are available at \$12.00 each. The funds raised from the sale of the calendars helps keep the Library open, so please consider purchasing one for yourself or as a gift for someone.

We hope to see you at the Library!

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## CANNING PRINCESS 2012

The Canning Princess Committee is looking for volunteers to sit on the committee to support our Princess in this year's Apple Blossom Festival. If you are interested please contact Lynda Lockyer at 582-1307 or email llockyer@xcountry.tv.

## Sheffield Mills Eagle Watch 2012

Saturday January 28, Sunday, January 29, Saturday February 4, Sunday February 5  
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Join us in Sheffield Mills to experience spectacular bald eagles during the 2012 Eagle Watch!

As always, there are plenty of activities happening for Eagle Watch--visit [www.eaglen.ca](http://www.eaglen.ca) for full details. Mornings are the best times for eagle viewing, and food is normally put out for the eagles between 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. at the corner of Middle Dyke and Bains roads. Remember--eagles are wild animals, and may not choose to feed at these times. They can often be spotted throughout the area at other times, as well.

Stop by the Sheffield Mills Community Hall for a delicious pancake and sausage

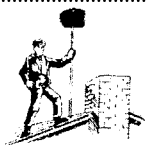
## Village of Canning Apple Blossom Princess 2012



If you're interested in becoming a candidate to be this year's Princess, contact us for details, rules, and schedules. Deadline to apply is March 18, 2012. You must be at least 19 and not older than 23 by December 2012.



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*Our community is a happenin' place, so if you have LOCAL events you want to announce, please contact Ruth Pearson at the office: 582-3768 or email [jodi@xcountry.tv](mailto:jodi@xcountry.tv). To avoid disappointment, please note that the Gazette normally comes out about the 21st of the month when planning your notices.*



*Come out to the annual Sheffield Mills Eagle Watch to enjoy great community meals, entertainment, and of course, watch the fantastic eagles that hang out around our communities.*

breakfast, live music, eagle exhibits and a map of eagle viewing areas.

Visit [www.eaglen.ca](http://www.eaglen.ca) for more Eagle Watch weekend events and complete schedule.

**PUBLIC SKATING TIMES** at Glooscap Arena.  
Tuesday 10:15-11:15, Sunday 12:45-1:45.  
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**BLOMIDON ESTATE WINERY'S ICEWINE FESTIVAL.** Come and enjoy great fun at our award winning winery.

Try the Blomidon Icewine Shootout February 4 & 11, 12:00 pm to 3:00 pm Cost:\$5.00 Combining two great Canadian exports, Ice Hockey and Icewine for this charity fundraiser. Your target is to be the top shooter of the day to win an Icewine gift basket.

Savour the Flavours on February 5, 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm, Cost \$10.00 per person Join winemaker, Simon Rafuse as he pairs the sweetness of chocolate and the salty of pâté with two Icewines.

Pruning the Vines February 12, 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm. Cost: Complimentary. Ever been curious about what happens between the vines in February? Join us for a pruning presentation in the vines!

**EAGLE WATCH WEEKEND SOUP, CHOWDER, CHILI LUNCHEON,** Variety of Cakes for Dessert. 11:00am-1:30pm Saturday January 28th, First Cornwallis Baptist Church (at the corner of Middle Dyke & Route #341 in Upper Canard) \$7.00 Adults \$3.50 Children under 12. Proceeds for the Youth Mission Trip to Bolivia.

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(at the corner of Middle Dyke & Route #341 in Upper Canard) \$7.00 Adults \$3.50 Children under 12. Proceeds for the Youth Mission Trip to Bolivia.

**EAGLE WATCH BAKED BEAN SUPPER** Sat Jan 28th, Lloyd Memorial Centre, 11-4 featuring Homemade Baked Beans, Brown Bread, assorted pickles and relishes, Tea & Coffee, Desserts. Price is 9.00 adults, 7.00 children under twelve. Takeout is available.

**ST. PATRICK'S DAY** is coming up. Do you have an event or organization that would like to have Irish Dancers? We love dancing for our community. For more information, please call 582-1786 or email [info@tirnanogacademy.com](mailto:info@tirnanogacademy.com)

**VALLEY GARDENERS CLUB** will meet at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, Feb 13th in room 2101, Kingstec campus of NSCC in Kentville.



# The Big Build Lottery

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#### Ticket Prices

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Laura Budde will speak on the topic "New Cultivars and Overlooked Plants for our Gardens." As a proprietor of Glad Gardens in Waterville, Laura is knowledgeable in both greenhouse and field cultivation of plants. Bring your favourite garden catalogue to share with fellow gardeners. Ev-

everyone is welcome, and new members are always encouraged.

**FROM LEE'S SHOP:** We would like to say a huge thank you to all who supported Lee's Shop in 2011. We are looking forward to getting in more exciting products in 2012.

January will be our month to celebrate and canvas the area for Chrysalis House, the shelter for women and children. Lee has supported Chrysalis House through the Giant Chrysalis House Christmas Stocking Project for 10 years. This is one of the ways Lee gives back to his community. We canvas the community for donations and deliver it to Chrysalis House each year which is greatly received and appreciated. If you have something to donate just drop it off at Lee's Shop. We are open Monday to Saturday 1:00 - 4:00p.m.

January is also Alzheimers Month. Lee's Shop is proud to carry a book of poems called Come With Me Into

Alzheimer Disease written by Bob Taylor. Bob was born in Kentville and was diagnosed at age fifty-five with early onset Alzheimer Disease. He was able to express through these poems his fears and frustrations. They offer the reader a clear understanding and appreciation of the pain and struggles of living with Alzheimers. It is an excellent resource for family and professional caregivers.

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### **Arlington United Baptist Church**

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**Canard Trinity United Church** Worshipping together at 1315 Highway #341 worship and Sunday school 10:00 A.M. Rev. Gloria Churchill 579 1936

### **Canning Baptist Church**

Sunday Service, Sunday School 10am Social 11 am Rev Don Rafuse 582-3227

### **Centreville Baptist Church**

Sunday Worship: 10:30 AM Sunday School: 10:55 AM 678-1946 Senior Pastor: Marc Potvin

### **Emmanuel United Church Kingsport**

9:00 am Sunday worship services.

### **First Cornwallis Baptist Church**

Sunday Worship and Kidz Worship 11:00am. 582-7364

### **Gibson Woods United Baptist Church**

Bible Study 10 am Worship Service 11 am Pastor Stephen Gough 252-1578

**Pereaux Baptist Church:** Sunday School 9:45, Worship 11:00. Co-pastors Rev. Gary Manthorne (542-5627/582-3058), Rev. Mark Parent (582-1313).

### **St. Lawrence Roman Catholic**

Saturday Mass 4 pm Catechism 10-10:45. Father Larry Pitcher 542-3074

### **St. Thomas & St. Michael Anglican**

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**Union Church of Scotts Bay** Sunday School 10 am, Service 11 am. Contact person Tina Kennickell 582-7626.

### **Valley Cornerstone Assembly**

Morning Worship, Sunday School 1030 am, evening 7 pm.

## Classes at Ocean Spirit Studio

**W**ith Valentines Day around the corner and the traditional gifts of chocolate, wine, flowers being purchased, why not this year add a gift certificate from Ocean Spirit Studio? Such a unique gift will bring a smile to your special sweetheart, along with good health that will last a life time. Go to [www.oceanspiritstudio.com](http://www.oceanspiritstudio.com) for all the details and contact information.

We are pleased to have Michelle Fahie, jewelry designer of Ocean Gem Creations displaying and selling her pendants which are made with hand picked Nova Scotia sea glass. These pendants are one of a kind and beautiful set with gold, silver and black wire. All pendants are \$10.00.

Carol French will be offering a beginner class on Tuesday and Thursday mornings at 9:00am cost is \$80.00 On Monday and Wednesday evenings offering Body Pump starting at 5:30 cost \$100.00. For both classes you need to bring your own mat, beginner class 1-3 pound weight and evening class 3 to 7 pound weights. These are no impact classes and run for an 8 week session. Starting on February 1 for Body Pump at 5:30 and February 2nd for the Beginner class. Will need 8 people to make these classes a go and no drop in fee.

The first person to register on line will receive a free yoga mat for the beginner class.

The first person to register on line for the Body Pump class will receive a free yoga mat or a free session for the class. The second person to register for the Body Pump class will receive either the mat or session. For all returning January students as a thank you, if you bring a new person to the studio for either one of the yoga classes your name will go in for a draw to win two complementary yoga classes. Happy Valentines Day.

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## Ross Creek Centre Events

**O**n Sunday, January 29th, come celebrate YOUR birthday at Ross Creek Centre for the Arts!

The seventh day of Chinese New Year is known as Everybody's Birthday. This year, students from Acadia University will join Ross Creek in planning this wonderful community celebration! Savour delicious dim sum and Chinese loose leaf teas. Write your name in Chinese brush calligraphy, and enjoy a variety of art and exciting cultural activities!

Admission is \$5 per person, or \$15 per family. Preregistration for this day is suggested but not required. Food items are only \$1 to \$3. Rides to the centre are also available for a nominal fee.

Contact Victoria at [programs@artscentre.ca](mailto:programs@artscentre.ca) to register, for more information, call 582-3842 or watch [www.artscentre.ca](http://www.artscentre.ca).



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**H**appy January 4-H er's! Hope you all had an amazing holiday. Here is some news for you:

Speeches and Demos: Remember to start thinking about your speeches and demos for this 4-h year! This year they will be held on March 18th.

Our next meeting will be on February 13th at the Sheffield Mills Hall, and don't forget to bring a food bank item for Glooscap Elementary.

This 4-H year is off to a great start. So fair we have 26 members registered and there are many new members to the club!

Congratulations to Harrison for winning our December potluck center piece competition! He won 2 Empire theatre gift cards for his homemade cowboy boots.

Our last meeting that was on January 7th was a huge success! Many people showed up to our bowling meeting and we had a lot of fun!

Until next time...

### Canning & District Recreation Commission

**T**he Polar Dip held on January 1st 2012 was a great success! Thanks to all those who came out and participated, we had a lot of fun. A special thanks to the Canning & District Volunteer Fire Department who were there in case of an emergency and to provide first aid.

The After School Program at Glooscap Elementary is underway and going great! Primary and grade ones are on Monday from 2:15 – 3:15, Grade two and three are on Wednesday from 2:15 – 3:15, and the grades four and five are on Tuesday from 2:15-3:15. For more information please contact the school at 582-2010.

The Basketball program for grades four

and five runs on Tuesdays from 3:20 -4:30 with NKEC students being the coaches. Program will continue to run for 8 weeks, until February 28th 2012. For more information please contact the school at 582-2010.

Fitness classes at Lloyd Memorial Center in Kingsport are continuing to run everyday throughout the week. Classes run on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday mornings from 9am – 10am with Christine Heap and on Tuesday and Thursday evenings at 6:30pm-7:30pm. Feel free to drop in on any class for \$4 a session. Some mats are available at the center for those that don't have one, make sure to bring a water bottle and lots of energy with you!

Do you want to get more active but are unsure of how to do so? Why not try walking; it's a low impact activity that has great benefits for your health and wellbeing. If you are interested or need some more motivation join us on Tuesday and Thursday evenings at 6:30pm outside of Glooscap Elementary to begin walking. There is also a weekend walking date on Sundays at 9:00am outside of Glooscap Elementary as well. If the weather is bad then we will postpone the walk until the next day.

For more information please contact Julie Sheffield at 582-3602. If there is snow on the ground then snowshoeing is an option for Sundays.

For any more information on programs, events, or anything you would like to see drop by our office at 9845 Main St just past the monument, look for the green sign hanging above our door. Check out our website [www.canningrecreation.com](http://www.canningrecreation.com) and like us on

Facebook (you can do so from the website) for updated information and related links. As always feel free to call us at 582-2033, or e mail [canningrec@ns.sympatico.ca](mailto:canningrec@ns.sympatico.ca).

### From Apple Tree Landing

**H**appy New Year from all the staff at Apple Tree Landing Family Education Centre! Everyone here had a wonderful holiday and we are excited for 2012. Our Christmas Angel Tree had another successful year! We were able to support more than 20 children with the help of our staff and families! A special thank you goes to Greg and Melissa Lee for making especially generous contributions!

Save the date Saturday, April 7th as we will be hosting our annual Spring Fair. As always, this will be a great family event with games, canteen, auction, dessert auction, Easter egg hunt and a visit from a special guest! What a great way to spend your Easter Saturday with the whole family!

We are currently taking registrations for all programs from 3 months to 12 years. If you are interested in booking a tour or registering your child please contact Melanie at 582-3086

### Lost Dog? NSLDN can help

**R**ecently, you might have noticed a sign outside a home on the 358 to Scotts Bay. It announced that the owners were missing a couple of hus-

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kies from their home. What a huge relief it was when a local man, Greg MacLellan of Scotts Bay, found the dogs and was able to help reunite them with Lydia, their worried owner.

Although the lost dog sign was helpful in letting people know there were dogs missing from Lydia's home, one of the tools that also helped bring the dogs home was the Nova Scotia Lost Dog Network. This group of volunteers has been operating for just over a year, helping to find lost, stolen, or otherwise missing dogs



and get them back to their owners. Equally importantly, they let people in the Network know when a dog has been found. How often do we see signs on bulletin boards, looking for a lost pet, and the sign has been up for months while the pet has since been found? It's hard to know which to keep an eye out for.

The Nova Scotia Lost Dog Network harnesses the power of the Internet as a means of sharing information. As its founders, Ann and Heather Morrison and Janet Chernin, realized, the Internet is a great way to spread information, and to track missing animals.

The organization relies on Facebook, Twitter, and its website at [NS.LOSTDOGNETWORK.COM](http://NS.LOSTDOGNETWORK.COM), to share information about missing dogs around the province. And, as the successes that scroll through my Facebook Feed, and the experiences of the happy Husky owner can prove, the system works!

Although personally, I'm not a dog person, but as the owner of a number of beloved cats, I know how much any companion animal or pet means to those who love their animals. I can well imagine how upset Lydia was

when her girls went missing, and I was so very glad to find out they were safely back home.

Even the most caring and responsible of owners can have escapees. Dogs can break leashes, gnaw their way out of kennels, jump over fences designed to keep them in, any number of other misadventures.

The NSLDN helps to spread the word about missing animals, keep their statuses updated, and ultimately sees many lost animals reunited with their owners. In their first year of operation, they saw 470 dogs find their way home again. And that, dear friends, is a very good thing.

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