



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

# December 2012 Newsletter



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The **DEADLINE** to have information submitted for the January issue of the Newsletter is **WEDNESDAY, December 13<sup>th</sup>** at 4:00 p.m. Submissions can be received by fax: 522-2309 or email: (note the change in email): [council@saint-marys.ca](mailto: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 January 14<sup>th</sup>, 7 pm. The public is invited to attend. Visit our website for up to date information [www.saint-marys.ca](http://www.saint-marys.ca)

### Municipal Officer Christmas Hours:



December 24<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> – CLOSED  
December 27<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup> – OPEN Regular Hours  
December 31<sup>st</sup>, January 1<sup>st</sup> – CLOSED

*Stop by the office on Friday December 21<sup>st</sup> for Free Hot Chocolate and treats!*



### Transfer Station Christmas Hours:

December 22<sup>nd</sup> – CLOSED At NOON  
December 24<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> – CLOSED  
December 27<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup> – OPEN Regular Hours  
December 31<sup>st</sup>, January 1<sup>st</sup> – CLOSED

### St. Mary's Recplex Update

Recplex Facility is open for anyone wishing to book ice time or see scheduled events contact Brad Burns, Recplex Manager at 522-2646. Rates: \$125 (\$108.70 plus \$16.30 HST) hour for Minor Hockey, School \$155 (\$134.78 plus \$20.22 HST) hour for adult programs and Private Rentals

**Christmas Special: Over the Christmas vacation – book a private rental for \$125!**

**FREE CHRISTMAS SKATE @ RECPLX  
Thursday December 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm**



### Property Tax Rebate for Seniors

Please be advised the deadline for this application to Service Nova Scotia is **December 31 2012**. You are eligible to receive the rebate if you meet ALL of the following criteria: You were receiving either the Guaranteed Income Supplement (GIS) or The Allowance in January of this year. To find out if you qualify for the GIS or the Allowance, call Service Canada at 1-800 277-9914. You are living in your home at the time you apply for the rebate and continue to reside in your home and; your previous year's property taxes were paid in full. Applications are available at the Municipal Office at 522-2049

### St. Mary's District Food Bank

Give the gift of sharing! Have you ever considered giving a donation to the Food Bank in the name of a friend or relative? The Food Bank will send a gift card to whomever you choose, indicating that you have made a gift donation in their name. Money for gift cards or donation may be mailed to St. Mary's District Food Bank, PO Box 102, Sherbrooke, NS B0J 3C0. Tax receipts are available for donations of \$25 or more.

**Donations of non-perishable food items will be accepted during Old Fashioned Christmas at Sherbrooke Village, throughout the event, at various locations, including the Information and Exhibit centres.**

If you are in need of assistance, please call 328-4148 and leave a message. The phone number is exclusive to the Food Bank and all calls are confidential.

### Garbage and Recycling Collection December

Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Dec 4 ZONE 1 GARBAGE	Dec 5 ZONE 2 GARBAGE	Dec 6 ZONE 3 GARBAGE	Dec 7	Dec 8
Dec 11 ZONE 1 RECYCABLE	Dec 12 ZONE 2 RECYCABLE	Dec 13 ZONE 3 RECYCABLE	Dec 14	Dec 15
Dec 18 ZONE 1 GARBAGE	Dec 19 ZONE 2 GARBAGE	Dec 20 ZONE 3 GARBAGE	Dec 21	Dec 22 ZONE 1 RECYCABLE
<b>Dec 25 NO COLLECTION</b>	Dec 26 ZONE 2 RECYCABLE	Dec 27 ZONE 3 RECYCABLE	Dec 28	Dec 29 ZONE 1 GARBAGE
<b>Jan 1 NO COLLECTION</b>	Jan 2 ZONE 2 GARBAGE	Jan 3 ZONE 2 GARBAGE	Jan 4	Jan 5

**Zone 1: New Chester – Ecum Secum – Liscomb – Sherbrooke - Sonora**

**Zone 2: East Loon Lake – Smithfield – Denver – NewTown – Glenelg church Rd – Aspen - Goshen**

**Zone 3: Hwy 211 – Port Bickerton – Stillwater – West Melrose – Lead Mines Rd - Waternish**



Kirk United Church UCW will be hosting Christmas house tours from 1-4 PM on Dec 15th at 5 locations in the New Town, Denver and Aspen area. A Christmas Tea at the Church on Route 347, Aspen, is included in the admission price of \$8.00. Passports are available at the church or at the house tour locations on Dec 15th. Look for the balloons!

**Bethal Community Church**  
**12<sup>th</sup> Annual Christmas Banquet**  
**Friday December 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm**  
**No Charge - All are welcome**



The annual Christmas Sing fundraiser will be held at the Stormont Union Church on Sat. December 15th at 7 pm. Performers from near and far will share their favorite Christmas songs. Admission \$5.00. Merry Christmas to Everyone and All the Best in 2013!

**Why are cancer rates so high in Atlantic Canada?**

The Atlantic Path Study will help us understand. Our children and grandchildren will benefit from this knowledge. Would you be interested in registering for this study?? They are looking for 300,000 people to participate if you are between ages of 35-69 (people 18-34 can also take part but are not included in the 300,000 target). How do I take part: complete the questionnaire, it takes about half an hour. Then you visit the assessment centre where they take some physical measurements such as height, weight, blood pressure. They also collect biological samples such as toenail clippings, blood, saliva and urine. For further questions email [info@atlanticpath.ca](mailto:info@atlanticpath.ca) or to book appointments go to [www.apath.ca](http://www.apath.ca) or call 1-877-285-7284

You are invited to the **Community Choir Sacred Christmas Concert on Monday, December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2012, 7:00 pm**, at the **Indian Harbour Lake Pentecostal Church**. A freewill offering for S.H.O.P.S. (Sherbrooke Opportunities Society) will be received. Please join us-Everyone is welcome. Storm date: Thursday, Dec. 13.



**Seasons Greetings from High-Crest!**

Lucy Gammon has a birthday on December 21st, Happy Birthday Lucy; we will celebrate at our party in January.

Our Christmas Tea and Sale will be held on November 30th, at 1:30 p.m. The cost of the tea will be \$5.00, there will be sandwiches and sweets and lovely Christmas Music provided by Don Cameron. We will have a craft/gently used table (any donations greatly appreciated) and the Homebuddies will have a bake table with lots of delicious goodies!



The Christmas Tea is a special event for our residents. It is a great opportunity to visit with community and welcome friends (old and new) into their home. Hope to see you there! Christmas is fast approaching, just a reminder that you can purchase a gift certificate from our hair salon as a gift for your loved one living here.

I would like to say Thank you for the donations of a beautiful set of dishes and a Ducks Unlimited Print donated to the home on behalf of a resident who recently passed. They are both very beautiful and very generous, Thank You

**Last minute Christmas Flea Market**

**St. John's Church Hall, Necum Teuch, Hwy #7**  
**9 am-1 pm December 8, 2012**  
**Christmas tree ornaments, CD's, Books, Grabs, Lots of Gift Items, VHS movies, Puzzles, Homemade knitted socks and mitts.**

**ROYAL Can. LEGION Br. #86 LISCOMB**

Next general meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 4<sup>th</sup> - all welcome

**ACTIVITIES:**

**AUCTION 45's**-Thursdays at 8 pm \$5  
**CRIBBAGE**-Saturdays at 8 pm \$5

**CHRISTMAS IN THE COUNTRY**



Liscomb, December 8<sup>th</sup>  
 Craft and Bake Sale- 11 am-12:30 pm  
 Christmas House Tours- 1pm -4pm  
 House Tour Tea- 2pm-4 pm  
 Tickets \$7- (House Tour & Tea)  
 Available at P.O., Legion or Tours

The Christmas Penny Auction for the Ecum Secum Fire Dept. will be held on Dec. 8<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm. There will be a Chocolate walk and lunch. All are welcome!

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### **ATV Meeting**

December 6<sup>th</sup>, 6 pm Council Chambers  
ATVANS president and zone director will be present for an information session.

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### **Christmas At Bayview Baptist Church**



Join us for a **Christmas carol sing and potluck dinner** on December 14, 2012 at 5:30 pm. Bring your favourite Christmas dish to pass. All are welcomed.

On December 23<sup>rd</sup> we will have **our Christmas Candlelight service and program** at 6:00 pm. All are welcomed to help us celebrate the birth of our Saviour.

For any questions please contact Pastor David Smith at 779-2709.

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*T.O.P.S. #5098 Liscomb meets on Tuesday Evenings at the Bayview Baptist Church fellowship hall. Weigh in is from 6:00 pm to 6:30 pm and the support meeting is from 6:30-7:30 pm.*

*We are always accepting new members. If you have any questions please contact Mary Lou Cole at 347-2285.*

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The monthly meeting of the Liscomb Fire Dept will be held at the Fire Hall Monday, Nov. 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm.

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Thank you from Ian MacKeen  
Please stop dropping off cats to my barn in Aspen. I have enough, thanks.

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The St. Mary's and District Firemen thanks everyone who attended and supported the annual Firemen's Picnic on October 21. The weather came through for us and even brought the wasps and mosquitos. A special thank you to everyone who made the fundraiser a success with your donations. We hope everyone had a great afternoon. Thank you for your support, The St. Mary's and District Fireman's Association

### **The Baptist Congregation of Port Hilford, Port Bickerton & Sonora**

#### **(Convention of Atlantic Baptist Churches)**

**You are invited to these Worship Services and events:**

Dec. 2, 11 am- Sonora Baptist Church  
Dec. 9, 11 am-Port Bickerton United Baptist Church  
Dec. 16, 11 am-Port Hilford United Baptist Church  
Dec. 23, 7 pm- Sonora Baptist Church,  
Christmas Candle Lighting Service  
Dec. 30, 11 am-Port Hilford United Baptist Church  
Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am: Adult Elective on "How to Study the Bible"  
Tuesdays, Dec. 4<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm, at Port Hilford United Baptist Church: A study of the Gospel of Mark.  
For more information contact Rev. Norman Pearce, 522-2087 or [hbs.baptist@ns.sympatico.ca](mailto:hbs.baptist@ns.sympatico.ca)



### ***December at Indian Harbour Lake Pentecostal Church***

**Sunday, December 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30**  
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship

#### **Weekday Activities**

Wednesday, December 5th  
7:00 p.m. Bible Study on the "End Times"  
Friday, December 14<sup>th</sup> 7:00 p.m.  
Youth Group (Ages 12 – 18) at the parsonage

#### **Special Christmas Events**



Monday, December 10th - 7:00 p.m.  
Community Choir Sacred Christmas Concert  
Storm date: December 13th  
Monday, December 24<sup>th</sup> – 7:00 p.m.  
Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

All are Welcome! For more information, contact Pastor Dave Connolly at 522-2759 or [pastordave@ihlpentecostalchurch.ca](mailto:pastordave@ihlpentecostalchurch.ca)

***The congregation of Indian Harbour Lake Pentecostal Church wish all a blessed Christmas filled with the peace and hope of Christ whose Birth we celebrate.***

#### **Country Harbour Gun Club**

**Dec 2<sup>nd</sup> – Christmas Prize Bingo at 2:00pm**

**Dec 8<sup>th</sup> – Holy Trinity Anglican Church will be having a Penny Auction, Cake walk and Lunch 12-2:00pm Admission is \$5.**

**December 15<sup>th</sup> –Country Breakfast 8:30am-10am Adult \$6 Children \$3**

## ***St. Mary's Pastoral Charge***

### **The United Church of Canada**

**Sundays in December...** 9:30am at Bethany, East River St. Mary's, 11:00am at St. John's, Sherbrooke and 7:00pm at Kirk Memorial, Glenelg.

**Friday, December 14...** Christmas Open House, 7:00pm at The Manse, Aspen.

**Wednesday, December 19...** Service of Light and Holy Communion, 7:00pm at Bethany, East River St. Mary's.

**Monday, December 24...** Old Fashioned Christmas Eve Service, 7:00pm at Historic St. James Church in Sherbrooke Village. Live Outdoor Nativity, Carolers in Period Costume, Hot Apple Cider & Cookies beginning at 6:30! Everyone is welcome!

**Sunday, December 30...** No Services.

For more information or to inquire about Sunday School, Youth Group or Bible Study, please phone our minister, Derek Elsworth, at 833-2920, visit us on facebook or on our website at

[www.stmaryspastoralcharge.blogspot.com](http://www.stmaryspastoralcharge.blogspot.com)

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### **Adoption Announcement**

It is with great JOY and thankfulness that we announce the adoption of our son- "Quintan Josiah Mailman" A brother for Courtney, Stefan & wife Vikki, and Caleb-devan, on November 29<sup>th</sup>, 2012. A heartfelt thank you to our family, church family and friends who supported us, encouraged us and prayed for us during our journey with Quintan. Your prayers, kindness and listening ears sustained us through many a difficult day. We thank the Lord, most of all, for answering prayer, for sparing Quintan's life, for helping him to walk and achieve the milestones he has. Quintan is truly a miracle and gift from God that we all cherish. - Blain and Elaine Mailman

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### **Melrose Oldster's Club**

45's: Tuesdays at 1:30pm and Saturdays at 7pm  
Cribbage: Wednesdays at 7pm

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### **Lions Hall Sherbrooke BINGO – Wednesdays at 7:45pm**

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An Evening of Photography in the Village  
Come and learn about night photography. Thursday Nov 29<sup>th</sup> from 5-8pm- Meet at the Village Court House. Photographing in the street after dark allows us to take advantage of colorful lights and unusual angles and a myriad of reflections. This workshop includes 3 hours of shooting. Cost is \$20 includes a photography book resource. Make sure you bring a tripod. Call 522-2598 to register



## **Goshen Community & Recreation Centre**

Thank you to everyone who donated items and came out to buy at the auction held on Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup>. It was a huge success. Thank you to all who attended the Remembrance Week Service. It was great to see so many attend.

Games Day is held every Wednesday starting at 1:00 at the Community Centre. Everyone Welcome.

Crib Night is held every Sunday night at 7:00 in the Community Centre. Bring a partner. \$5.00



Two years ago the Troy Hudson Memorial Playground required equipment being replaced due to new regulations and standards for public playgrounds. The support from governments, local organizations, businesses and the people from Goshen and all the surrounding communities who generously donated in so many ways made the new playground equipment a reality. The new Troy Hudson Memorial Playground is open and the children have been enjoying it. To anyone who assisted in any way during this project, a heartfelt thank you from the Community Centre and Playground Committees.

**Are you unemployed, need assistance looking for work or wanting to increase your employability Skills?**



**An Employability Skills Training Program** will be offered in this area and run from January to the end of March 2013. It will include skills development in the following areas:

Job searching/Resume writing, First Aid/CPR, Hospitality/Customer Service/Super host, WHMIS, Food Handlers, Computer, Portfolio and more. Training allowance, childcare and travel expenses may be provided for qualifying participants.

**If you or someone you know may be interested in this program or require assistance with employments searching give us a call at 1 888 533-1906**

***One of the most glorious messes in the world is the mess created in the living room on Christmas day. Don't clean it up too quickly. ~Andy Rooney***



