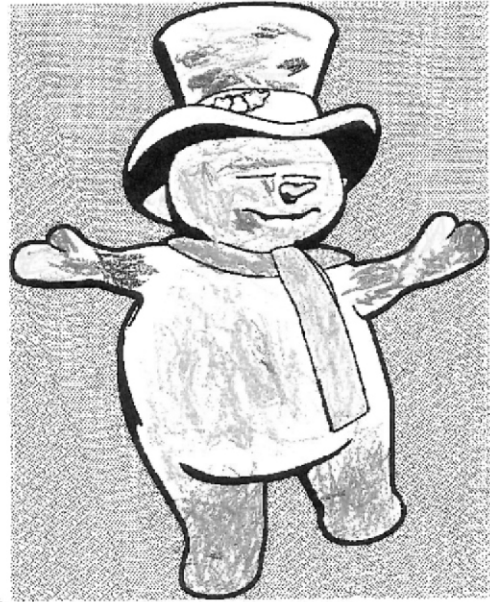


## Winners of the Christmas Coloring Contest



Evan Scott won the Snowman coloring contest



Emily Whalen won the Manger Scene coloring contest

## Town Hall Contacts 895-8000

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Town Clerk	ext. 8
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Recreation & Community Services	ext. 4
Library	ext. 6
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Local residents enjoyed the Seniors' Party put off by the Legion, the Lions Club and the Town of PCSP.

## Valentine's Dance Live Band

**ONE TOO MANY**  
Saturday, February 13, 2010  
PCSP Recreation Centre

**\$10 ticket**

**Come have fun and support local talent**

**For more information contact Bev Sharpe at  
895-3196**

# What's going on

in Portugal Cove - St. Philip's

On-Line [www.pcsp.ca](http://www.pcsp.ca)

January 2010

*On behalf of Council and Staff we wish you and yours a very  
Happy New Year and a safe and prosperous 2010.*

## Santa Claus Parade and Tree Lighting

On December 13<sup>th</sup> the Town had its annual Parade and Tree Lighting. Everyone was bundled up warm for the event, as it was a chilly day. We were lucky to have so many groups wanting to be involved with this year's event. After the parade many people warmed up in the Recreation Center with Hot Chocolate and Tim bits. The Celtic Fiddlers performed for an enthusiastic crowd. Santa completed our event with his magical tree lighting.

Special thanks to: PCSP Volunteer Fire Department, the RNC Mounted Division, the CLB, Miss Teen NL, the AIDS Committee of NL, Gladney's Buses, Newfoundland Power, Crime Stoppers, Memories Forever, Canada Post, the PCSP Beavers & Cubs, and the Royal Canadian Air Cadets Sqn 905 Viking Paradise and the many Community Volunteers who made this event possible



**House Decorating Competition:** This years winners were Jennifer Churchill and Ken Taylor 1805 Portugal Cove Rd. Special thanks to all those who registered.



Portugal Cove - St. Philip's Beavers & Cubs atop a float at the recent PCSP Santa Clause Parade in December.



**Card Competition:** This year our Card Competition theme of 'Christmas by the Sea' made for an exciting number of entries. It was a difficult decision for the Council to choose from all the wonderful cards that were submitted. This year's winner was Justin Hibbs.



### **New for 2010 - Seniors Discount**

Seniors in receipt of the Guaranteed Income Supplement (GIS) may be eligible for a 20% Property Tax reduction on the Property Tax portion of the invoice for their principal place of residence in the Town of Portugal Cove-St. Philip's.

The calculation for the 20% reduction will be applied prior to the 5% early payment discount (if applicable) or when calculating payment plans. This discount does not apply to any vacant lands or summer residences, it only applies to your principal place of residence.

In order to qualify for the 20% discount, you must be the assessed owner or joint owner of the property and occupy it as your principal year round place of residence and you must be in receipt of the Guaranteed Income Supplement under the Old Age Security Act. You will be required to complete and sign an 'Application for Senior Citizen's 20% Discount' each year.

The applications are available at the Town Office or on our website (look in the Tax Structure tab under the Town Council). When you submit your application we will need the entitlement letter confirming you are in receipt of the Guaranteed Income Supplement attached to it. The following are instructions to help you obtain your letter prior to completing your application:

### **INSTRUCTIONS**

Have your Social Insurance Number ready and call Service Canada at **1-800-277-9914**.

Once the recorded voice starts, **press "0" to speak to a Service Canada Agent**. You will hear a short message and then a service agent will take your call. Tell the agent you need an **entitlement letter confirming that you are in receipt of the Guaranteed Income Supplement**.

When you receive the letter, attach it to the application to be processed at the Town Office.

If you have any questions, please call 895-8000, Accounts Dept. or press '0' for assistance.



*Local residents attended the 2010 Seniors' Party at the Legion on January 9.*

### **WinterFest 2010 February 20-28<sup>th</sup>**

**Come and join us for some exciting events in your community.**

Some of the new things for this year is our First Annual Snowman Competition. Get out with your family and use your creativity. We will be also hosting a tie-dye and movie night for the young people in our community on Friday the 26<sup>th</sup>. The Du Cats will be back to perform on Saturday the 27<sup>th</sup> of February. Many more events are also on the schedule. If you are interested in hosting and event please contact the recreation department at 895-8000 ext 4. Full schedule of events will be sent out to all residents so keep yours eyes on your mailbox.

### ***HAPPY 90th BIRTHDAY Grace Mitchell January 16th***

If you know someone in the community who is celebrating a milestone birthday or anniversary call 895-8000 and let us know! We'll put it in our next newsletter.