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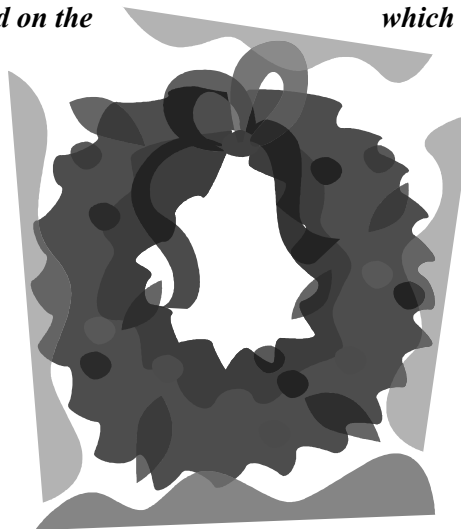
**The Town's New Website address is short and simple...
WWW.PCSP.CA**

**Please use this URL in the future, as the old URL of
www.portugalcove-stphilips.com is no longer active.**

A Holiday Message From the Mayor

Here we are at the end of 2006 and like many of you, I wonder where the time went. It is once again the holiday season, and that provides us all an opportunity to spend time with our family and friends. It is a time to look forward to what the future will bring, and an opportunity to just relax. During this time, we want to wish each of you and your families a wonderful Christmas; and peace and happiness for the New Year. We also would like to stop and reflect on our achievements over the last year.

- ✓ *Early in the Year, work commenced on the Storm Water Management plan as well as the Recreation Master Plan.*
- ✓ *Later in the summer and fall, consultants began work on the Municipal Plan Review. On behalf of Council, I would like to thank all citizens who took the time to participate directly in public meetings and by writing or calling council with feedback and comments.*
- ✓ *The Greeley Family brought Portugal Cove its' inaugural Annual, End-of-Season Regatta,*



which was a tremendous success and brought impressive numbers of visitors and spectators as well as competitors to Portugal Cove.

- ✓ *The Town also took part in the First Killick Coast Regional Summer Games with enrollment topping an astounding 230 children. The games included sports such soccer and softball, and will continue to be an annual event.*

We want to thank the many volunteers in our community, especially our volunteer Firefighters, who all contribute greatly to the quality of life in our community.

We also want to take this opportunity to say a special thanks to our staff for their dedicated hard work during the year and to wish each of them and their families all the best during the festive season.

On behalf of Council and Staff, I wish you a happy and safe holiday and a prosperous New Year.

Town Hall Christmas Closures
Dec. 22nd, 25th, 26th-29th, Jan. 1st
After Hours Emergency #: 690-8037
Snowclearing#: 690-8441

Garbage Collection For the Holidays

Garbage collection for Monday December 25th will be picked up the previous Friday on December 22nd, 2006. Collection for Monday January 1st, will be picked up on the following Friday, January 5th, 2007. All other garbage collection will take place on its' respective day.

CHRISTMAS DECORATING CONTEST

The Parks, Recreation, and Community Services Department would like to notify all resident of the Annual Christmas Decorating Contest. Members of your local council will travel throughout the community during the evening of Monday, December 18th to judge all the decorated houses. Get into the festive spirit and challenge your neighbor or family member to out do you with their Christmas lights and decorations. This contest does not require you to pre-register. However, if you do not want your house to be missed or you think we better not miss your neighbor's house, please call Dawn @ 895-8000 ext 6. Be sure to have your lights on December 18th!

Lions Eyeglasses Recycling Program



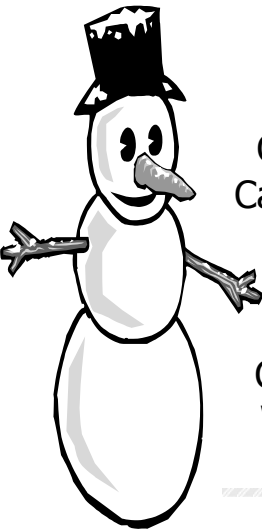
The Lions Eyeglasses Recycling Program was adopted as an official service activity of Lions Clubs International in October 1994.

However, Lions have been recycling eyeglasses for approximately 80 years. The goal of the program is to meet the demand for quality

eyeglasses in developing nations. Currently, it costs less than US.08 to provide someone with recycled eyeglasses. All glasses are sent to Calgary for distribution worldwide. Your donation will change someone's life.


Please contact Lion Fred Thompson at 895-6940 if you have eyeglasses you would like to donate.

WINTER CARNIVAL



The Town of Portugal Cove - St. Philip's will be hosting its Annual Winter Carnival from Saturday, February 17th – Saturday, February 24th, 2007. This Carnival will be filled with fun and entertainment for the whole family. Some of the activities include Adult Dance, Youth Dance, Community Bonfire, Family Bingo at the Legion, Fog Devils Game, Community Skate, a Sliding Party, and much more. If you are interested in being a member of the Winter Carnival Committee or your organization would like to make a donation to the Winter Carnival Committee, please contact Dawn @ 895-8000 ext 4. We are always open to new ideas!

A Message For Taxpayers With Overdue Accounts



This message is for all those property and business taxpayers who have tax account arrears and have **not** made payment arrangements. The 2006 taxes are long overdue. You have had ample opportunity to make

arrangements with our Accounts Receivable office and we now require your immediate **payment in full of all tax arrears**. Your failure to comply with this request for payment may result in your account being listed with a collection agency and/or further action taken. Please call 895-8000, ext. 223, to take care of this matter.



*Rainbow 50+
New Years Eve
Party*

*Where: Portugal Cove -
St. Philip's Recreation
Centre*

*When: Sunday,
December 31st, 2006*

Doors Open 8:30 pm

Dance (DJ Music) 9:00 pm

Cost: \$10.00 Single

*Wine & hors d'oeuvres will be served!! Bar
service provided!!*

*For information or to purchase tickets call
Gertie @ 895-6857 or Dawn @ 895-8000 ext 6.*

**Holiday Greetings To All From The
Portugal Cove - St. Philip's
Memorial Library**

**PLEASE NOTE UPCOMING HOLIDAY HOURS
AT THE LIBRARY:**

December 14th 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
December 15th closed for storytime function
December 19th 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
December 20th 2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
December 21st 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
December 27th 2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
December 28th 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.



*Early notice: library will be closed January
10th, 11th and 12th in the New Year.*

Seniors Party

January 6th, 2007

Royal Canadian Legion Branch 10

Time: 4:30pm.

*Jointly sponsored by the Royal
Canadian Legion Branch 10,
The Lion's Club, and
The Town of
Portugal Cove – St. Philip's.*

Community Bulletin Board



*Please review the following
information if you are
interested in posting a
Public Service
Announcement (PSA) on
the Community Bulletin
Board:*

- ✓ Any non-profit organization or service group from the community can use the sign.
 - ✓ The sign can hold a maximum of 90 characters, including spaces.
 - ✓ Messages are posted on the board on a first come first serve basis.
 - ✓ The amount of time a message can be posted before an event depends on the demand for the sign. (Minimum 1 week)
 - ✓ How quickly the PSA is posted depends on the commitments of the Public Works Department.
 - ✓ Messages will be reviewed by the Town Manager for approval.
- Anyone interested in posting a PSA, please contact Dawn at the Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department @ 895-8000 ext 4.*



**Snowclearing Regulations
Published by Authority**

Pursuant to authority delegated by the Minister of Works, Services and Transportation under the Highway Traffic Act, R.S.N., 1990, Chapter H – 3, and Amendments, and pursuant to the authority delegated in accordance with the Municipalities Act, Chapter M-24, S.N., 1999, and Amendments, the Town of Portugal Cove-St. Philip’s has made the following Regulations:

DEFINITIONS/INTERPRETATIONS:

In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires, words defined in the Highway Traffic Act, R.S.N., 1990 and the Municipalities Act, Chapter M-24, S.N., 1999 as amended or any regulations made thereunder shall have the meaning assigned by the said Act or Regulations, and the following words shall have the following meanings:

- (a) “Council” shall mean the Town Council of the Town of Portugal Cove-St. Philip’s.
- (b) “Town” shall mean the Town of Portugal Cove-St. Philip’s as defined by order in Council dated February 1st, 1992.
- (c) “Highway Traffic Act” means the Highway Traffic Act, R.S.N., 1990 as amended and any regulations made thereunder.
- (d) “Traffic Officer” in addition to its meaning in the Highway Traffic Act, includes any person designated by council as a Traffic Officer for purpose of the Regulations by whatever name or title such person is known.
- (e) “Street/Highway” shall mean any way to which the public has access, and bridges over which a highway passes, and shall also include every place to which the public has access as a parking place for motor vehicles.
- (f) “Street Reservation” shall mean the entire width between the boundary lines of a street designed or ordinarily used for vehicular traffic.
- (g) “Vehicle” shall mean a device in, upon, or by which a person or property may be transported or drawn upon a Street.
- (h) “Driveway” shall mean a clearly defined private road, way, drive, path or passage or a like opening which is wide enough, but not wider than is necessary for the passage of a motor vehicle whereby the owner, occupier or user of a property has vehicular access from a roadway to a point within the property.
- (i) “Parking Lot” shall mean a clearly defined area of land provided by the owner, occupier or user of a business premises for the use of the general public for the parking of motor vehicles.

Regulations:

- 1. During the period from November 1st, in each year to the 30th, day of April in the succeeding year, both days inclusive, no person shall park, leave or abandon any vehicle or any portion of any vehicle upon any Street Reservation within the Town:
 - a. Between the hours of 12:00 Midnight to and including 8:00 a.m.; and
 - b. At any time when there is a snowfall and for twelve hours after the snowfall has ceased.
- 2. Highway Traffic Snow Clearing Regulations (O.C. 96-136) states, “Subject to Act or regulation in force respecting the parking, drawing up or standing of vehicles in a city, municipality or other designated area of the province, a person shall not, during the period in each year that this regulation is in force, leave a vehicle unattended on a highway between the hours of 12 midnight and 8 a.m.;
 - a. Within 3 meters of the paved portion of the highway; or
 - b. If the highway is not paved, within 3 meters of the edge of the travel surface of the highway.
- 3. During the period from November 1st, in each year to the 30th, day of April in the succeeding year, both days inclusive, no person shall shovel, plow, blow or cause to be shoveled, plowed or blown any residue snow or ice from a driveway or parking lot unto any Street within the Town.

Snowclearing Damage

- 4. The Town will not be responsible for any damage caused within the Street Reservation, or at the very least, 20 feet from the road center line. This includes damage to fences, garbage boxes, trees, private mailboxes, etc.

- 5. The Town will not be responsible for damage caused by “weight of snow” or “lawn browning”.
- 6. The Town will not be responsible for damage caused to trees on private property, all trees should be properly marked and protected i.e. painted poles (minimum height of four feet) alongside trees, to mark location.
- 7. All Claims for damage must be made in writing to the Town Office no later than May 15th, of the same year, of the snow clearing period (Verbal claims will not be responded to.). Claims received after this date, will not be considered.
- 8. When making a Claim the following information should be included to enable the processing of your Claim. If sufficient information is not provided this could result in your Claim not being honored:
 - a. Time that damage occurred (e.g. 12:01 a.m., Thursday, November 1st, 2001)
 - b. Type of equipment that caused the damage
 - c. Type of damage and approximate amount in dollars of the Claim
 - d. If possible, a picture of the property before the damage was done

Penalties

- 9. Any unattended vehicle parked upon any Street within the Town in contravention of Section 1, (a) and (b) of these Regulations may be removed and impounded by Council and the cost of such removal and storage shall be recovered from the owner as per Section 172 (1), (2) and (3) of the Municipalities Act, 1999.
 - a. Before the vehicle is returned to its owner, the owner shall pay the costs of its removal and storage as determined by the Council and where those costs are not paid by the owner, that council may, after giving notice to the owner, sell the vehicle by public auction to satisfy those costs.
 - b. Neither Council nor its authorized agent shall accept responsibility for damages caused to any vehicle in the enforcement of these Regulations.
- 10. Any unattended vehicle parked upon any Street within the Town as to obstruct traffic and in contravention with Section 2 shall be found guilty of an offence and shall be liable to a fine not less than \$45.00 and not more than \$180.00 and in default of payment of a fine to imprisonment for a period not exceeding ten days and not less than two days as prescribed by the Highway Traffic Act R.S.N., 1990, and Amendments.
- 11. Any person in violation of Section 3, which states, “During the period from November 1st, in each year to the 30th, day of April in the succeeding year, both days inclusive, no person shall shovel, plow, blow or cause to be shoveled, plowed or blown any residue snow or ice from a driveway or parking lot unto any Street within the Town”) shall be liable of a fine, as may be prescribed by the Municipalities Act, Chapter M-24, S.N. 1999, Section 419 (1) and Section 420 (1), (a) and (b).
- 12. The Municipalities Act, Chapter M-24, S.N. 1999, Section 419 (1) states, “A person who contravenes this Act or a regulation made under this Act commits an offence”.
- 13. The Municipalities Act, Chapter M-24, S.N. 1999, Section 420 (1) states, “A person who commits an offence under section 419 or who otherwise contravenes this Act is liable on summary conviction;
 - a. For a first offence to a fine of not less than \$100.00 and not more than \$500.00 or to a term of imprisonment of not more than one month or to both the fine and imprisonment;
 - b. For a subsequent offence to a fine of not less than \$500.00 and not more than \$1000.00 or to a term of imprisonment of not more than 3 months or to both the fine and imprisonment.

COUNCIL’S ADOPTION

These Regulations will come into effect on December 9th, 2003, and may be cited as the Town of Portugal Cove – St. Philip’s “Snow Clearing Regulations”. Dated this 9th day of December 2003.

Norm Collins, MAYOR

Loretta Tucker, TOWN CLERK

