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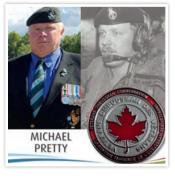
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MICHAEL PRETTY Honoured with National Veterans Ombudsman Commendation

We are delighted to announce that local veteran, Major (ret) Michael Pretty, has been selected for a national Veterans Ombudsman Commendation. The intent of the Veterans Ombudsman Commendation is to recognize and honour the exceptional dedication, hardwork and selfless motivation of an individual or group's contribution to Canada's Veterans and their families.

His research has led to finding thousands of graves across the world of Newfoundlanders who served in various foreign wars, as well as creating an annual fundraising gala, trips abroad, and a website to sell memorabilia in which all the funds are used for the creation and instalment of new headstones for each of these unmarked veterans. You can read more of Michael's work and watch a brief video by scanning the QR code.





Congratulations to **SITAYE PENNEY** for Winning the Curling Canada Heart Award!



PCSP resident Sitaye Penney received the Curling Canada Heart Award for introducing a program for International students and the Association of New Canadians

for a 'Try Curling' group session, followed by the opportunity to join an 8-week Learn-to-Curl program!

"A sense of belonging is everything!" said Sitaye "You need to see yourself in a sport in order to feel that it is a possibility for you"



Super Sweet tweets

Sam Paterson @SamPatersonEDU - 21h

couldn't be more proud of all our athletes! Special congrats to Freya and Nathan for winning their age group

David Baldwin @davidhaldwin33 + Dec 13 Tis the season @BrooksideInt! Love to see our families this evening at our first Christmas concert in a long time. We've missed you @



We gave our buddy readers a little introduction to our # some homemade cards for @PCSPLions to give to our local seniors for

MS DAWE'S CLASS @HDDawe - Dec 8

It's an honour to celebrate those who give back to their communities, like

Mr. Jackman, originally from Bell Island, is a veteran of the air force and received his 65 year service pin from the @RoyalCdnLegion in @PCSi

Thank you for your service.







A wonderful Remembrance Day ceremony in @PCSPnl. Moving & well attended. @GavinmWill laid a wreath in commemoration of Nflders at the Battle of Monchy le Preux accompanied by @PCSPFire. @davidbrazil10





When you see a vehicle wrapped in police, fire or caution tape that was involved in an accident, it means the vehicle has been checked by first responders. Sometimes tow trucks aren't available, so this way first responders can respond to other calls. @PCSPnl #nltraffic

We had our Cross Country awards ceremony today at @BrooksideInt. I Big thanks to @NLAthletics and all the awesome @PCSPnl families who

Paradise Soccer Club @PYSAInfo

With a 4-2 loss to NS, we will play PEI for 7th place. Game time 4PM NL time Monday. Goals by Nolan and Harding.



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The parade has begun! Tune in to our Facebook page to catch the live



PWCCavaliers @pdubcav

Curling Canada Heart Award Recipient!! Sitaye Penney: REMAX Centre St. John's Curling Club-Introduced a program for International students and the Association of New Canadians for a Try Curling group session, followed by the opportunity to join an 8 week Learn-to-Curl program

8:15 PM · 2022-10-27 · Twitter for iPhone











Town of PCSP @PCSPnl - Dec 4

stream. Merry Christmas! 🎄

Super proud of our Brookside elementary choir and our amazing teachers, Ms. Dawe and Mr. James on representing Brookside so well at the Delta Hotel and singing at the Festival of Trees. Awesome job!



Kimberly and Todd Churchill receive 2022 HUMAN RIGHTS AWARD

Kimberly and Todd Churchill of Portugal Cove - St. Philips, were recognized this Fall with the 2022 Human Rights Award for their advocacy work for Deaf children in the province by The **Newfoundland and Labrador Human Rights** Commission. The Human Rights Award is presented annually in celebration of International Human Rights Day. They both have been very vocal advocates for the past six years for the rights of Deaf children, like their own son Carter, to receive an education equitable to that of hearing children, particularly in their first language, American Sign Language (ASL). As a support to other parents of Deaf children, the Churchills founded the nonprofit organization Children's Language Acquisition Support System Inc. Congratulations on being the receiving the 2022 Human Rights Award! You can



learn more about their award and their continuing work by scanning the QR code



Library Donation in Memory of JOAN WHITE

The PCSP Women's Institute presented books in the memory of Joan White to our PCSP library. Joan White was a librarian for over 20 years, and was a dedicated and enthusiastic member of the Women's Institute group, she will be greatly missed.



Partners for the ARTS FESTIVAL

The 3rd Annual Partner for the Arts Festival was a huge success! Thank you to everyone who supported, organized, and came out to support our local arts community.











PCSP LIONS CLUB Win Club of the Year!

Congratulations to the PCSP
Lions Club for winning the Club
of the Year in District N4 – this
includes all clubs from Gander East.









WINTER PARKING BAN

Residents are reminded that during the period from November 1st, 2022 to April 30th, 2023 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 between the hours of 12:00 midnight to and including 8:00 am; and at any time when there is a snowfall and for 12 HOURS after the snowfall has ceased. Vehicles left on the roadway may be subject to a ticket or be impounded at the owner's expense.



WASTE COLLECTION 2023

Residents can look forward to a new Waste Collection schedule mailout in early January 2023. Further information can be found on our website **pcsp.ca**



Thank you to our PUBLIC WORKS CREW Christmas Event Assistance!

Thanks to the Town's Public Works staff for their assistance with this years Christmas events. Thanks to their great teamwork, our events were able to run smoothly and keep everyone in the community safe.











Recreation Calendar WINTER 2023



Winter Fitness and Programs! SIT & FIT, ADULT FITNESS, YOGA, ZUMBA, POUND, PLAYGROUP

Stay tuned for complete details on programming to be released in early January.

Storytime in the Library! WINTER STORYTIME HAS A NEW TIME

Storytime will take place on **Tuesdays** from **10:30am – 11:30am** (Starting Jan 17th, 2023.)

Save the date for registration:

Resident registration opens January 9th via eServices at 9:00am, and non-resident registration (if space allows) opens January 11th.

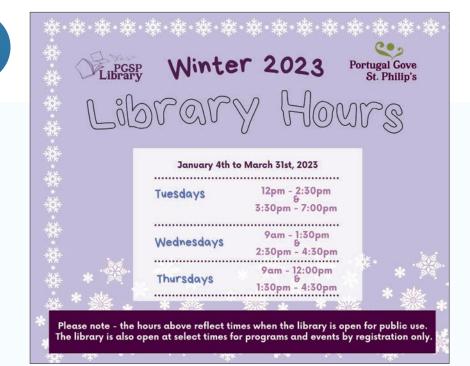
SENIORS PICKLEBALL (50+)! TRY OUT THIS COMMUNITY FAVOURITE SENIORS' ACTIVITY

Pre-registration required – no drop ins.

Pickleball sessions start Monday, January 16th. Sessions are Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays @ 1pm - 2:30pm until the end of March.

Register via eservices, spaces are limited.

Resident registration opens January 9th via eServices at 9:00am, and non-resident registration (if space allows) opens January 11th.















To everyone who helped make the Town's Holiday events a success this year! Thank you to our volunteers, community groups, staff and residents for bringing holiday magic - we couldn't have done it without you!





A special acknowledgement to Eddie Sharpe and his team for making an unforgettable show for our Annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony, and thank you to the PCSP Volunteer Fire Department for keeping all of the events safe!

See you in 2023 for more magical events!





How to be SEPTIC SMART

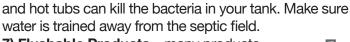
Do you have a septic system? Do you know how to maintain it? Here are some tips for maintaining the health of you septic system:

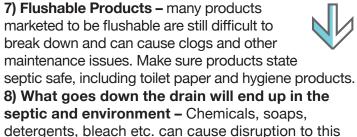


- 1) Proper maintenance is important regular inspections can help with leak detection and it is recommended to pump out your septic system every 3-5 years.
- 2) Landscaping plants with shallow roots should be planted near the drain field. Plants with larger root systems can cause structural damage to your tank and field lines.
- 3) Keep it clear It is not recommended to park or build anything (i.e. Sheds, patios etc.) over your drain field.
- 4) Accessibility know where and how to access your tank for pumping and maintenance. Also consider adding a riser to easier access with minimal or no digging.
- 5) Bacteria Septic systems have good bacteria which play an important role in digesting organic waste. Many things that go down the drain can have a negative impact on this. There are products such as septic pills and powders that can be used as supplements to boost the anaerobic bacteria.
- 6) Water leaky taps, pipes, and draining of pools etc. can lead to large or unnecessary volumes of water going into your tank. This can actually drown your field and chlorine in pools

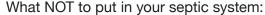












good bacteria and end up in the environment.

- **Fabric softeners**
- **Medications**
- **Bleach**
- **Antibacterial soaps**
- Dish and laundry detergents with phosphates and surfactants
- **Drain cleaners**
- Fats, oil, and greases
- Hygiene products that contain oils, fragrance phthalates, phosphates and surfactants
- Latex and plastic products
- Chemicals, oils, and paints



HERITAGE COMMITTEE Year in Review

2022 was a Great Year for the Heritage Committee!

- 1) Progress in the St Bartholomew's Cemetery Restoration Project.
- 2) 5 new story boards are nearing design completion.
- 3) A street naming policy that ensures new streets consider our heritage.
- 4) Family History Club continues to meet biweekly
- 5) Assisted to host the Queen's Jubilee High Tea at Murray's Pond with the Lieutenant Governor of NL.
- 6) The ever-popular Ugly Stick workshop with the Mummers Festival was a roaring success.
- 7) Renaming of Summerwood Playground to Howie Meeker playground. Stay tuned for unveiling ceremony.
- 8) The Town archive and artifact collection continues to grow with donations from residents.
- 9) "Wharf to Wharf" heritage walk that focuses on stories and lore of our community. Summer students spent the summer planning and then doing a series of guided walking tours. The walking tour includes stories of "She Jack", Soldiers Pond, Kate Christopher's Cabin, The sitting Rock, The White House, Haunted Goat Cove Road bridge, Drummer's Hole, May Pole, The Dock and so many more.

We look forward to all that's ahead in 2023! If you are interested in joining the Heritage Committee, or have any heritage questions contact the Town's Heritage and Environment Coordinator Julie Pomeroy Sparrow at julie.pomeroy@pcsp.ca















Fire Safety During Winter Storms

Winter storms are a regular part of the season in this province. Being prepared before, during and after the storm can make a big difference and help keep you and your family safe.

- Test your smoke alarms at least once a month and install carbon monoxide alarms.
- Plan two ways out of the house in case of emergency and keep the exits and driveway clear of ice and snow.
- Make sure your house number is easily seen from the roadway.
- Be ready for power outages and use extreme caution if you use candles.
- · Be aware of winter weather and watch for bulletins.
- Check on your neighbors and others who may need help.
- Generators should be used outdoors and away from windows and doors.
 Never run a generator in your garage.
- Stay away from downed wires and report them to authorities asap.
- Be ready for loss of heat, and if you use an emergency heat source, keep flammable items at least 1 meter away.
- Never leave a portable heater running when you are not in the room.
 Turn them off when you go to bed.
- Keep chimneys clean and free of debris like creosote, nests, snow and ice.
 Have your chimney cleaned and inspected at least once a year.

IMPORTANT REMINDER:

There are more home fires in winter than in any other season. Half of all home heating fires happen in December, January and February.

As you stay cozy and warm this winter season, be fire smart!



NATIONAL FIRE PROTECTION ASSOCIATION

The leading information and knowledge resource on fire, electrical and related hazards

Help Keep our Community Safe with SCHOOL BUS SAFETY TIPS





As winter weather conditions are upon us once again, all drivers are reminded to use extra caution when behind the wheel. Here are some tips to help keep everyone safe:

- Drivers are required to stop when any school bus has its red stop signs flashing and wait until the stop sign has closed
- **2.** Parents and passengers, please wait for the bus to come to a complete stop and for its stop sign to be flashing before moving to board the bus.
- 3. When yellow lights are flashing prepare to stop
- **4.** A "School Zone" means the portion or length of highway between the two posted signs indicating a school zone, in PCSP the posted speed limit in School Zones are 30 km/hr.
- **5.** Drivers travelling in both directions in all traffic lanes (this means single, double, triple lanes on either side) must come to a complete stop when the school bus has its red lights flashing and stop sign out.

Did you know? You can be fined between \$500 - \$1,200 for illegally passing a school bus and speeding in a school zone can lead to vehicle impoundment and fines from \$400 - \$1,800 and up to six demerit points (Source: gov.nl.ca)

Did you know? There are over 500 students who attend daily classes in PCSP and use the school bus to get to their classes safely.

Did you know? Every school bus has danger zones! The danger zone is the 10 foot area around the bus in every direction. The most dangerous areas of the bus are the front of the bus and the right rear tire area.

Did you know? You can report unsafe driving around school busses with the RNC's online reporting tool



Clearly number your home so first responders can find you, your loved ones & your neighbours in an emergency.

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Message the Portugal Cove-St. Philip's Lions Club to Sign Up For Safety today!

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\$30 includes a two-sided reflective sign post & full installation on your property. Even if you already have a civic number sign on your property, where is it located? On your garbage box? On a pole or a tree? On your door? You might know where it is, but first responders don't. In an emergency situation, they need to be able to find you quickly and easily. When you sign up for safety, your reflective number sign will lead first responders straight to you or your family when you need them.

Message the Portugal Cove - St. Philip's Lions Club on Facebook or call Lion Suzette 895-0472 to Sign Up for Safety today!

JANUARY 2023

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|--|---|-----------------------------------|--|--|----------------------------|---|
| 1 Town Office Closed | 2 Family History Club PCSP Lions Club Meeting | 3 Town Office Closed | 4 Library Public Hours PCSP Lions Club Meeting | 5 Library Public Hours | 6 | 7 Hiking/Walking Club |
| 8 | 9 Women's Institute | 10 Library Public Hours | 11 Library Public Hours | 12 Library Public Hours | 13 | 14 Hiking/Walking Club |
| 15 Friends of Music (Group Music Session) | 16 Seniors Pickeball Family History Club Women's Institute | 17 Library Public Hours | 18 Library Public Hours | 19 Library Public Hours Seniors Pickleball Kickboxing | 20 50+ Club Cards/Darts | Legion Branch 10 Veteran's Appreciation Dinner & Dance Hiking/Walking Club |
| 22 Friends of Music (Group Music Session) | 23 Public Council Meeting Seniors Pickleball Women's Institute | 24 Library Public Hours | 25 Library Public Hours Seniors Pickleball | 26 Library Public Hours Seniors Pickleball Kickboxing | 27 50+ Club Cards/Darts | 28 Hiking/Walking Club |
| 29 Friends of Music (Group Music Session) | 30 Seniors Pickleball Family History Club Women's Institute | 31 Library Public Hours | | | | |

| FEBRUARY 2023 | | | | | | | | | | |
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| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY | | | | |
| | | | 1 Library Public Hours Seniors Pickleball | 2 Library Public Hours Seniors Pickleball PCSP Lions Club Meeting Kickboxing | 3 50+ Club Cards/Darts | 4 Hiking/Walking Club PCSP Lions Club Meeting | | | | |
| 5 Friends of Music (Group Music Session) | 6 Seniors Pickleball Women's Institute | 7 Library Public Hours | 8 Library Public Hours Seniors Pickleball | 9 Library Public Hours Seniors Pickleball Kickboxing | 10 50+ Club Cards/Darts | 11 50+ Club Social Hiking/Walking Club | | | | |
| 12 Friends of Music (Group Music Session) | 13 Seniors Pickleball Family History Club Women's Institute | 14 Happy Valentines Day! Library Public Hours | 15 Library Public Hours Seniors Pickleball | 16 Library Public Hours Seniors Pickleball Kickboxing | 17 50+ Club Cards/Darts | 18 Hiking/Walking Club | | | | |
| 19 Friends of Music (Group Music Session) | 20 Seniors Pickleball Women's Institute | 21 Library Public Hours Public Council Meeting St. Lawrence Parish Pancake Night | 22 Library Public Hours Seniors Pickleball | 23 Library Public Hours Seniors Pickleball Kickboxing | 24 50+ Club Cards/Darts | 25 Hiking/Walking Club | | | | |
| 26 Friends of Music (Group Music Session) | 27 Seniors Pickleball Family History Club Women's Institute | 28 Library Public Hours | | | | | | | | |







St. Philip's Veterans Appreciation **Dinner & Dance**

SATURDAY, JANUARY 21, 2023 / 7PM

Free for Veterans. For tickets call the Legion at 895-6521

LEAGUE DARTS

Mixed League: Tuesday Night Men's League: Thursday Night (Teams) Womens League: Sunday Night

Call the Legion for more information. Can't wait to see you all there!

If you're looking for a place to host your next event, please don't hesitate to call us @ 895-6521. We have great rates and our hall has A/C and an outdoor deck. Please be advised that the Legion has been designated as a SCENT FREE building. We respectfully request your cooperation. Thank you. Always accepting new applications.

The Legion needs you!



Royal Canadian Legion Branch 10 Portugal Cove -St.Philips is sponsoring

Veterans Appreciation Dinner & Dance

When: Saturday Jan 21 2023 Time: 7 PM

Free for Veterans . Tickets will be \$ for your guest For Tickets call the Legion @ 895-6521



FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK @ Royal Canadian Legion Branch 10

LEGION REPRESENTATIVES CONTACTS:

President - Philip Thorne 749-0204 Service Officer - Bud Churchill 685-7644

ST. LAWRENCE PARISH

The St. Lawrence Parish is hosting a **PANCAKE NIGHT** on Tuesday. February 21st, please visit their Facebook page for more details. CARD GAME - Tuesday, January 24 8pm and Tuesday, February 21 8pm. \$5.00 admission, please bring your own cards and baskets. **AFTERNOON CARDS –** everyone welcome every Wednesday from 2pm to 4pm. Begins in 2023 on Wednesday, January 11th Admission is \$2 **THRIFT STORE -** Thrift store hours are 10am – 5pm on Saturdays. Anyone wishing to drop off items for donations, drop off times are Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6:30pm until 8:00pm. Any questions, please call Rev'd Bob Earle 740-3995 or email parishofstlawrence@outlook.com

PLAYGROUP at St. Lawrence Anglican Church resumes on Wednesday, January 11. Come along between 10:00 and 11:30 for a free playtime. Open to kids under 5. For more information, call Pam at 743-8488

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

The Women's Institute St. Philip's Branch began in January 1991 and now has over 40 members. The Women's Institute is nondenominational and non-partisan, and are open to women of all ages. The Women's Institute is resuming group meetings in early 2023, with new members welcome! More information will be available on the PCSP website, pcsp.ca in the New Year.

50+ CLUB **CARDS/DARTS**

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Start the year with joining the Rainbow 50 Plus Club. Fun, Laughter, Friendship and Socialization is what they're all about. If you are 50 up to 95 years, come join the fun. The club meets every Friday at the PCSP Rec Centre 2-4pm for cards/ darts, For more info, contact Paula 730-6033, Rebecca 895- 2343, Viola 895- 2577.

SCHEDULE FOR REOPENING AFTER CHRISTMAS:

IANUARY

Cards/darts, 2 - 4pm Jan. 13th Jan. 20th Cards/darts, 2 - 4pm Jan. 27th Cards/darts, 2 - 4pm

FEBRUARY

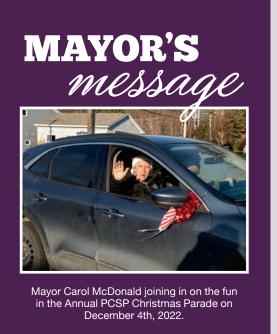
Feb. 3rd. Cards/darts, 2 - 4pm Feb. 10th Cards/darts, 2 - 4pm Social Feb. 11th

. Cards/darts, 2 - 4pm Feb. 17th Feb. 24th Cards/darts, 2 - 4pm



FRIENDS IN MUSIC GROUP

The PCSP Lions Club "Friends in Music" program enables music lovers in the community to get together and play their instruments, sing, or just sit back and enjoy. Each week, talented local musicians volunteer to lead, while chords and lyrics are projected on the wall for participants to follow along. Some participants are people from the community who live alone, and this program enables them to get out of the house and see other people. This initiative is offered free of charge. For more info please call Lion Debbie 895-3137.



A new and exciting year is upon us. It is my new years' wish that we share an eventful year of opportunity and joy. Your town has a busy winter planned bringing you events to lighten these winter months.

In December council adopted a new Strategic Plan to function as a road map for council for the next 5 years. I would like to thank all those who provided a wealth of knowledge and ideas during our consultation process. Your commitment to your community's well-being is to be applauded. I invite residents to visit the Town's website at www.pcsp.ca to view the outline of our Strategic Plan. Working with our residents is, and will continue to be, a major priority for this Council. We hope to continue to hear from you for further town growth.

I would like to congratulate our residents who have pursued projects to better our society and their recognition from recent awards as outlined in this edition. Major (ret) Michael Pretty, Sitaye Penney, and Kimberly and Todd Churchill, I thank you for your work and for raising the bar for us to better our community.

While covid-19 continues to play a part in our day to day lives, especially in these winter months, I remind residents to do their part to keep yourselves and loved ones healthy and safe. I am humbled and honoured to serve as your mayor and look forward to this new year of opportunities.



The Chamber of Commerce would like to highlight activities that continue to be vast undertakings that would have been impossible to achieve without countless volunteer hours:

Acquisition of a portion of the property known as the HR Parish. The 10 acres of land that we and the Arts, Health and Wellness and Heritage (AWH) Committee will spearhead a cultural centre and more and on January 21st, 2023 we're holding a public consultation Design Charette We invite all to attend - your voice matters! Killick Coast Agriculture Strategic Plan: Thanks to Federal funding, we were able to develop a 5-year agriculture strategic plan alongside provincial agricultural experts. This is essential to understanding how to improve food security, enhance the success of our farmers and other agri-businesses, increase employment and more.

We're thrilled at the growth we see in PCSP, thank you again for your support

Thank you,

Tara Lehman

Executive Director, PCSP Chamber of Commerce



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Connects at www.pcsp.ca



For more information visit: **www.pcsp.ca**



WE LOVE TO SHARE!

Send us your photos, community events, good news stories, and any information you would like to share with the PCSP community. The deadline for the March – April edition of the Tickle Newsletter is 4:30 pm Friday, February 3rd, 2023.

► Contact Stephen Quinton at Stephen.quinton@pcsp.ca or phone 895-8000, ext. 271