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If you were one of the macabre merry-makers in attendance at TripALady's Hallowe'en soiree, you'll know the musical score: throngs of happy people cutting serious rugs to the sounds of a band who have pillaged the provender of pop radio stations far away in time and wed them to the delights of Irish dance tunes from even further, to conjure temporary but profound epicenters of Eighties dance bliss.

But shadowy capes, flaming red hair, Ringo's moustache and dedicated Smurf support will all be shed this December 31st in favour of an eager eye to the arrival of the midnight hour, when revellers will, with fortune smiling, pause to gather breath and welcome 2013 with a roar! What won't change is the furious fiddle-fired footwork that will resume immediately following. This will be TripALady's fifth New Year's celebration, and it kicks off at nine p.m.

TIX: \$20 @ Box of Delights, Wolfville & Aspinall Pottery, Wolfville  
Farmers' Market INFO: 697-2271 / [bishopmountain@eastlink.ca](mailto:bishopmountain@eastlink.ca)

### UHURA

arrived with her kittens in November 2011. She is just a year and a half herself and very petite. Uhura gets along with other cats and is just waiting for the right family to come a long.



### UPDATE ON PENELOPE:

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# IKEA MONKEY SUCCESS - Simone Manley

It is after hours in a Wolfville café, and Simone Manley is hunched over a coffee table. Scattered around her are printed-off email correspondences, and several tile-sized packages, covered entirely with whimsically designed packing tape.

She reads the destinations of a few of them. "This one is going to Belgium, I've got New York, Seattle, Winnipeg, Toronto, Los Angeles. I'm getting orders from all over."

Just four nights prior to this one, Manley sold on Kijiji her first "Ikeas Homonkulus", a painting of the viral image of the Ikea monkey, in the style of the botched Spanish fresco, another internet meme.

The following morning, her ad had 7,000 hits and orders were pouring in. "I wasn't sure if George Takei had liked it on Facebook, but in a period of two minutes I had 20 orders," says Manley.

Manley disappears into the glare of her laptop to Google "Ikea monkey painting". "It's in the Huffington Post, BBC news, Global news," she says, "Oh, it's in CHBC news Okanagan. I didn't even know that until right now." And her ad is now at over 11,000 hits - she has just checked.

According to Manley, what the speed of the internet veils is how prepared she was for her "Monkey virus" to spread.

While at the Harvest Gallery in Wolfville, well-before she moved to Halifax where she currently lives, she learned how to package art for shipping and worked with gallery owner Lynda MacDonald, from whom she says she learned much about the art world.

The tiles she has been reproducing the painting on were cut and edged a year and a half ago. Just months in advance of her "Ikeas Homonkulus" going viral, she devised a wire frame to make the tiles easy to hang, with the intention of selling tile paintings online.

"I was just ready to leap on it," says Manley. "All the groundwork that I had done had made this look like an easy overnight success."

Between quips like "Rhesus Christ", and cheekily attributing the painting to "Darwinian" rather than "divine" inspiration, Manley admits she has a witty sense of humour.



Aside from the attention the painting has accumulated for Manley, it has also brought with it a sense of personal relief. "For me, this is the most authentic piece of work I've ever done. It connects the internet; it connects the memes; that multi-layered, actually fairly sophisticated joke; it all hooks up and when I think about it I can hear the universal puzzle pieces falling into place," she says. "This is for me."

Since the painting's online success, Manley has sold nearly all of her pre-existing work and has been taking on commissions. She has also been invited to be part of a cat exhibit at a gallery in Halifax in several months time, based on an earlier painting she did of the Grumpy Cat meme.

"Even when this star burns out and that monkey and botched fresco are all forgotten and people stumble upon it saying, 'What the hell is this?' it still has long lasting benefits to me," says Manley. "It's kind of the break I've been waiting for."

She smiles wryly in the half-dark of the café. "I am sad to say I'll be giving everybody a poster of a monkey for Christmas."

*Simone Manley has cards for sale at TAN Coffee in Wolfville. More of her merchandise is for sale at Plan B on Gottingen St. in Halifax. Her work can be seen at sixbysixart.ca. She can be reached at simonemanley@hotmail.com.*

~Amber Rowe

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**S**tudents at Wolfville elementary and middle schools are among the 160,000 in Nova Scotia who have access to the nutritional School Milk Program every day. The program provides students with a lunchtime serving of milk at a reduced cost to ensure they are meeting their nutritional needs. That can make a big difference in general health and school performance.

"When children eat a healthy lunch, they get more of the nutrients they need to stay active, alert and ready to learn," says registered dietitian Jesse Jollymore. "Offering milk at a

reduced price at school makes it a convenient and affordable way to add a serving of milk to a child's day."

Jollymore reminds parents that growing children need between two to four servings of Milk and Alternatives every day. However, according to the most recent Canadian Community Health Survey published in 2006, one third of children did not consume the recommended daily servings of milk products. Drinking milk at school helps children get closer to Health Canada's recommendations.

Nova Scotia pioneered the School Milk Program in 1974 and it has since spread to Prince Edward Island, New Brunswick and Ontario. The program succeeds in large part because of the commitment of school workers, parents and volunteers who help administer the program.

"We apply for the program every year and have always participated because it's a good program and because it's affordable," said Jayn Kenny, lunch co-ordinator at Wolfville elementary and middle schools. "Parents appreciate the price and there is definitely a nutritional aspect to it too."

Today, the School Milk Program remains committed to providing milk at the lowest possible price to all school children throughout the Maritimes. Parents can access information about the School Milk Program and Jollymore's tips for nutritious lunches by selecting the Maritimes' parents section at [www.milkschool.ca](http://www.milkschool.ca).

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## DIGITAL CINEMA IS THE NEW REALITY FOR CINEMAS EVERYWHERE – including the Annapolis Valley's Al Whittle Theatre

**G**one is the spinning of 50 inch film platters feeding 35mm film through an old-style projector. Digital cinema is the new reality in the film distribution industry, and a local Wolfville cinema has had to follow the trend and buy new gear to stay current. The Acadia Cinema Cooperative's Al Whittle Theatre has added new technology and upgraded it's digital projection capability to ensure first run films are available to film societies and other presenters.

The Fundy Film Society's weekly program of films and documentaries relies heavily on the theatre's projection technology. "We are really pleased the Acadia Cinema Co-op has made this investment – it guarantees we will be able to continue offering the first run international films our audience is looking for," says Bill Zimmerman, a programmer with Fundy Film.

"Now we just have to pay for it!", says theatre manager Mary Harwell. "Our not-for-profit theatre needs community support to pay for this latest improvement. We're hoping to sell enough shares by tax time to wipe out the cost for the new digital server."

There is new interest in the cinema for digital projection. Harwell announced there are new cultural programs being planned. "Live theatre and live-filmed concert events are more possible than ever before. In fact we have two new presenters developing programs specifically for the Whittle's screen."

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## Christmas Spirit

**O**n Tuesday, December 11, we were getting ready to shut down for the day when a small group of people entered our place of business in Wolfville. They came bearing gifts and supplies for our shelter. What a wonderful, generous thing to do! They gave us a little peice of paper that said we had just got RACK'ed! Random Acts of Christmas Kindness. Totally cool to have donations for the shelter! They were all smiles and said they were spending the days before Christmas making donations to various charities. The Valley WAAG Animal Shelter, located within the Wolfville Animal Hospital, was one of the fortunate recipients that night. A bit of true Christmas spirit was being shared!

- Doug Haverstock



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## SUGGESTED THEME:

*Assuming those Mayans forgot about leap years, how will your business be celebrating the Christmas, New Year and Holiday Season?*

### Oriel Fine Art Gallery

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*great deal of positive feedback, locally and beyond. Also, our series of colourful and dynamic landscape paintings (acrylic on gallery canvas based upon living in the beautiful Annapolis Valley), is coming together nicely. Watch for them to be exhibited in the summer of 2013.*

*Judith J. Leidl has been operating Oriel Fine Art Gallery in Wolfville since 1998.*

**FELTasticFashion** – Port Williams, 692-1462 / [FELTasticFashion.com](http://FELTasticFashion.com) • New Year! New Challenge! Cecilia Ho will put in full force to promote more felting handicraft to people in the Valley, as well as big cities throughout the East Coast! Flexible weekday/ weekend workshops + party services upon request.

**Inner Sun Yoga Centre** – 112 Front St. Wolfville, 542-YOGA / [yoga@innersunyoga.ca](mailto:yoga@innersunyoga.ca) / [\[yoga.ca\]\(http://yoga.ca\) • To encourage you to feel good in your body we are offering lots of great specials including all \\$8 classes the first week and Di-anne's New to Yoga class starting January 10th.](http://innersun-</a></p>
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**Sister Lotus Body Care Products, Belly Dance & Herbal Education** – 680-8839 / [sisterlotus.com](http://sisterlotus.com) • Looking forward to some joy & rest after a very busy season. It's time to recharge the battery in preparation for the next session of belly dance classes which start on Jan. 10th. See you at the market this Saturday for your last minute holiday gifts!

**boso Bamboo Boutique** – Harbourside Drive (Railtown) Wolfville, 542-7790 / [boso.ca](http://boso.ca) • We are celebrating by thanking everyone for their support as we continue to "bamboo-you" into our 5th year. Drop by to see our

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**Fundy Film Society** – 542-5157 / [info@fundyfilm.ca](mailto:info@fundyfilm.ca) / [fundyfilm.ca](http://fundyfilm.ca) • We send along Greetings for what our family calls the Winter Solstice Season (from Dec 1 [start of Advent] - Jan 7 [the Eastern Orthodox Christmas]) with all the diverse observances in-between which celebrate religious holidays. The celebration extends into February as well in order to welcome in the Year of the Snake for the Chinese New

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**LEW MURPHY'S** (Coldbrook): Open Mic w/Margie & James (20th, 27th, 3rd, 10th) 7-10pm

**PADDY'S PUB** (Kentville): The Hupman Brothers (20th, 27th, 3rd, 10th) 9pm

**LIBRARY PUB** (Wolfville): Samurai Nights w/Tony Wood & Friends (20th) 9pm

**MUD CREEK GRILL** (Wolfville): Karaoke w/Hot McKitchin (27th, 3rd, 10th) 9pm

**ANVIL** (Wolfville): DJ (20th, 27th, 3rd), Two Year's Eve w/George Wade & Fireworks FX (10th) 10pm

**PADDY'S PUB** (Wolfville): Trivia w/Graham (20th, 27th, 3rd, 10th) 9:30pm

## Fridays:

**BLOMIDON INN** (Wolfville): Jazz Mannequins (28th, 4th) 6:30-10:30pm

**SPITFIRE ARMS ALEHOUSE** (Windsor): Knee Deep (21st), Emerald Tide (28th), Jim Cochrane (4th) 8pm

**THE PORT PUB** (Port Williams): Jon Duggan (21st), TBA (4th) 8:30pm

**UNION STREET CAFÉ** (Berwick): Open Mic w/Andy & Ariana (21st), w/Billy Travis (28th), Jenny MacDonald (4th) 8:30pm

**MUD CREEK GRILL** (Wolfville): Ed McNally (4th) 9pm

**DOOLY'S** (New Minas): End Of World Party (21st), DJ Gizmo (28th, 4th) 9:30pm

**WESTSIDE CHARLIE'S** (New Minas): DJ (21st, 28th, 4th) 10pm

## Saturdays:

**FARMER'S MARKET** (Wolfville): Ann Fearon (22nd), Jack McDonald & Dennis Robinson (29th), TBA (5th) 10am-1pm

**LIBRARY PUB** (Wolfville): Irish Saturdays w/Bob and Ro (22nd, 29th, 5th) 2-4pm

**SPITFIRE ARMS ALEHOUSE** (Windsor): SWIG (22nd), Darren Arsenault (29th), Todd McCumber (5th) 7pm

**THE KINGS ARMS PUB & STEAKHOUSE** (Kentville): Marshal Lake & Murphy (22nd) 8:30pm

**LEW MURPHY'S** (Coldbrook): Brad Lewis (22nd) 8:30pm

**PADDY'S PUB** (Kentville): Mike Aube (29th) 9pm

**PADDY'S PUB** (Wolfville): Andy & Ariana (22nd), Woodscott (29th), TBA (5th) 9pm

**UNION STREET CAFÉ/WICK PUB** (Berwick): Bruce Clarke, \$10 (5th) 9pm

**ANVIL** (Wolfville): DJ (22nd, 29th, 5th) 9pm

**TOMMY GUN'S** (Windsor): TJ King Band, \$5 (22nd) 9:30pm

**DOOLY'S** (New Minas): Video Dance w/DJ Gizmo (22nd, 29th, 5th) 9:30pm

**WESTSIDE CHARLIES** (New Minas): Margie Brown Duo followed by DJ (22nd) 4-7pm, DJ (29th, 5th) 10pm

## Sundays:

**PRIVET HOUSE** (Wolfville): Live Jazz w/Ian & Steve Lee (23rd, 30th, 6th) 11am-2pm

**SPITFIRE ARMS ALEHOUSE** (Windsor): Carl Boutlier (23rd, 30th, 6th) 5pm

**PADDY'S PUB** (Wolfville): Irish Music Session (23rd, 30th, 6th) 8pm

**MUD CREEK** (Wolfville): Athlete's Night w/Ed McNally (6th) 9pm

**ANVIL** (Wolfville) Horton Reunion!! (23rd) 9pm

## Mondays:

**PADDY'S PUB** (Wolfville): w/Al King (31st), w/Angela Riley (7th) 8pm

**SPITFIRE ARMS PUB** (Windsor): The Studebakers (31st) 8pm

**WESTSIDE CHARLIE'S** (New Minas) Broken Circuit (31st) 8pm

**JOE'S RESTAURANT** (Wolfville): Marshall Lake & Murphy (31st) 8:30pm

**PADDY'S PUB** (Kentville): The Hupman Brothers (31st) 9pm

**PORT PUB** (Port Williams): Jon Duggan, \$70 (31st) 9pm

**LEW MURPHY** (Coldbrook): The Margie Brown Duo, \$15 (31st) 9pm

**KINGS ARMS PUB** (Kentville): Mark Riley (31st) 9pm

**TOMMY GUN'S** (Windsor): Darrell Meyers, \$10 advance, \$15 door (31st) 9:30pm

**WESTSIDE CHARLIE'S** (New Minas): DJ Gizmo (31st) 9:30pm

## Tuesdays:

**PADDY'S PUB** (Kentville): Levee w/The Hupman Brothers (1st) 12-4pm

**WESTSIDE CHARLIE'S** (New Minas): Levee w/Bunker & Greg (1st) 3pm

**PADDY'S PUB** (Kentville): Irish Music Session (8th) 8pm

**T.A.N COFFEE** (Wolfville): Open Mike & Donna (8th) 8pm

**THE PORT PUB** (Port Williams): Open Mic w/Ian and Steve Lee (8th) 8:30pm

## Wednesdays:

**WESTSIDE CHARLIE'S** (New Minas): Karaoke (26th, 2nd, 9th) 9pm

**THE NAKED CREPE** (Wolfville): Open Mic w/Jesse Potter (26th, 2nd, 9th) 9pm

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**Featured Artist: Brenda Macaulay** — CentreStage Theatre, Kentville. • "Through My Eyes", a wide variety of eye catching things. **INFO:** 691-1634 / facebook: Photosbybrenda

**Size Matters** — Harvest Gallery, Wolfville. Until Christmas • Size Matters: Annual Big Show of Small Works **INFO:** 542-7093 / harvestgallery.ca

**Original Art for Christmas!** — Designer Cafe, Main St., Kentville. Until Jan. 4th • Designer Cafe is celebrating the Holiday season! 6 talented local artists will exhibit an eclectic mix of artworks. The perfect one-of-a-kind gift for the Holidays! **INFO:** 365-3322 / designerkentville.com

**Small Art-Works** — The Bread Gallery, 7778 Hwy 14, Brooklyn.

Until Dec. 31st • Members of the Lushes with Brushes painters group have created a Christmas-themed show. Most work under \$250. **INFO:** 757-3377 / facebook: TheBreadGallery

**Kristiina Lehtonen** — Jacks Gallery, 450 Main St., Wolfville. Until Feb. 3rd • Etchings **INFO:** jacksgallery@gmail.com / kristiinalehtonen.com.



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**Babies & Books Drop In** — Wolfville Memorial Library 10-11am. Starts again Jan. 3rd. Newborn to 2 years. **INFO:** 542-5760 / valleylibrary.ca

**Cochrane's Walk & Talk** — Pharmasave, Wolfville 10am. No walk on Dec. 25th or Jan. 1st. Heart & Stroke walkabout program. Also Tuesdays 10am **INFO:** 542-3972

**In the Round Knitting Group** — Gaspereau Valley Fibres. 1-5pm. Also Tuesdays 6pm. No meeting Dec. 25th or Jan. 1st **INFO:** 542-2656

**Seniors Afternoon Out** — Wickwire Place, Wolfville 1:30-4:30pm. Social afternoon with peers. Also Tuesdays 1:30pm. Please note that there will be no social on Dec. 25th, 27th, and Jan. 1st **TIX:** \$5 **INFO:** 698-6309

**Beginner Tai Chi** — L'Arche Hall, 341 Main St., Wolfville 7-9pm. No class on Dec. 27th **INFO:** 542-0558

## FRIDAYS

**Yoga For Everyone (Community Yoga)** — Farmers' Market, Wolfville 12-1pm. All-levels, mats available. Also Wednesdays. Not Dec. 26th, 28th, Jan. 2nd, 4th **TIX:** \$5 donation drop-in

## SATURDAYS

**Wolfville Farmers' Market** — DeWolfe Building, Elm Ave. Wolfville 8:30am-1pm. **December 22nd Music:** Ann Fearon  
**December 29th Music:** Jack McDonald and Dennis Robinson  
**January 5th Music:** TBA  
**INFO:** wolfvillefarmersmarket.ca

**Windsor Farmers' Market** — Canoe Club Building, Waterfront 9am-1pm. Dec. 22nd is the last market of 2012! Come have a hot breakfast, shop for fruit & veggies, and browse craft items!  
**December 22nd Music:** Angela Riley  
**INFO:** windsorfarmersmarket@gmail.com

**Peace Vigil** — Post Office, Wolfville. 12-1pm

**Weekly West African Drumming Workshop** — Wolfville Baptist Church. 1-3pm. Starts again Jan. 5th **TIX:** \$5 **INFO:** 681-9870 / gscxs@stu.ca

## SUNDAYS

**Wolfville Trail Runners** — Join on Facebook for afternoon run times. Meet at the Wolfville Trail Shop. Also Mondays @ 3:30pm. **INFO:** 697-3115

## TUESDAYS

**Book in the Nook** — Wolfville Memorial Library 10-10:30am. Starts again Jan. 8th. Suggested age range: 3-5 **INFO:** 542-5760 / valleylibrary.ca

**Chaoyi Fanhuan Qigong (CFQ) Practice Group** — St. Francis of Assisi, Wolfville 7-8:30pm. Open to those with CFQ Level 1. Starts again Jan. 8th **TIX:** free will donation **INFO:** roche@eastlink.ca

**45's Card Parties** — Community Centre, White Rock 7:30pm. Starts again Jan 8th. Until April 23rd, 2013. Lunch provided, prizes available. **TIX:** \$3 **INFO:** 542-3109

## WEDNESDAYS

**Home Schooling Play Group** — 10am. All ages, email for location. Starts again Jan. 9th **TIX:** no charge **INFO:** Alisa.nguyenalisa1@gmail.com

**French Storytime/ L'heure des histoires** — Wolfville Memorial Library 10-11am. Starts again Jan. 9th. French songs, rhymes & stories. Age 3-5 **INFO:** 542-5760 / valleylibrary.ca

**La Table Francaise** — BAC, room 325, Acadia 12-1:30pm. Practice your French. Starts again Jan. 16th **TIX:** no charge **INFO:** caroline.blay@acadiau.ca

**The Wolfville Community Chorus** — Wickwire Place, Wolfville 5:30-7pm. Starts again on Jan. 2nd. New members welcome! **INFO:** 542-0649 / susan\_dworikin@hotmail.com

**Valley Youth Project** — Louis Millet Community Complex, New Minas 6:30-8:30pm. LGBTQ or ally looking for a community? Drop-in 1st and 3rd Wednesday each month. Please contact for current meeting dates. **INFO:** valleyyouthproject@gmail.com

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In the meantime, if you haven't made your end of year donation, please consider including Ross

Creek and Two Planks on your list. You make it possible for us to keep our work going.

We all wish you a happy, healthy and peaceful holiday. We will return on January 4.

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## ACADIA'S NEWEST GRADUATE PROGRAM

**A**cadia's newest graduate program, 'Social and Political Thought' (SPT), opened its doors in September 2010. From the start, the program was consciously designed to encourage interdisciplinary thinking, and is largely but not exclusively built around the three foundational departments: Philosophy, Political Science (now "Politics") and Sociology. In the first year of the two-year program, students take six courses: The SPT Colloquium (an introductory course that orients students to the program and to current research in the field), one course each in Philosophy, Politics, and Sociology, and two elective courses that can be taken with any member of the program faculty. After completing their coursework, students write a Master's thesis. In order to ensure that the thesis is appropriately interdisciplinary, students work with a supervisor and second reader, who must be from two different academic departments. The student's program culminates with a public defence of the thesis (our next defence is scheduled for January 11, 2013).

We hear a lot about the challenges that arts graduates face today, and the importance of "STEM" (Science, Technology, Engineering, Medicine) training. So a natural question might be, why Social and Political Thought?

Whether it is environmental degradation, economic crisis, violent religious fundamentalism, or managing emerging technologies and the vectors of new diseases, it seems clear that meeting the challenges of the future will require a broad interdisciplinary understanding of socio-political dynamics. The technical know-how that STEM fields produce won't be enough. And despite the hype about producing graduates ready for the job market, the reality is that the most in-demand jobs now didn't exist 10 or 20 years ago. Nor can we really be sure what kinds of problems the engaged citizens of the future will have to solve. How do we best prepare today's students for such a world of "unknown unknowns"?

Our answer is to use both classical and cutting edge social and political thinking about what are ultimately the perennial problems of human societies: justice, social order, and power. Broadly, our approach is critical and reflexive: one of the first things we do in the colloquium is engage in a discussion about the social role of the intellectual. What function does (or should) social and political thought serve in our society? One of our posters describes the program as: "For those who think about thinking."

The place of graduate programs

in a "primarily undergraduate" university is a delicate one, and SPT is unique at Acadia as the only graduate program that is not attached to a single undergraduate department or school. But as described above, SPT fits well with the liberal arts model that has traditionally been a hallmark of an Acadia education. As we evolve, the program is attracting the interest of more faculty members. In addition to the three foundational departments, the program now also has faculty from Comparative Religion, Education, and English.

New faculty members have helped make the program more diverse, although with faculty retirements, the overall size of the program is about the same as when it started. Similarly, class sizes have remained steady over the three Fall intakes thus far. The program's incoming class size has typically been 3-4 students. This is close to what we originally envisioned, and also about the limit of what is sustainable given current faculty resources. But interest in the program continues to grow, as each year the number of applications has increased. About half of our applications come from students who did an undergraduate degree in Atlantic, and half from Central and Western Canada, plus a few international applicants.



Coming from, and being exposed to, a variety of different disciplinary perspectives, students often describe the program as a demanding one. Whether in this or any other program, graduate school is a place where students who did well in undergrad have to "take it to the next level." Our students have been rising to the challenge admirably: moving on to doctoral programs, winning external awards, and presenting their work at national conferences. One exciting imminent development is a graduate student conference on "Technology, Culture, and Social Change" that the students are organizing for March 22-24, 2013. This may be the first ever graduate student conference at Acadia, and a great way to show that our new graduate program is coming of age.

*For more information about the Social and Political Thought program, see: [spt.acadiau.ca](http://spt.acadiau.ca)*

## HIST 4343: PUBLIC HISTORY

**T**he history of the Wolfville Police Department is a blank canvas that needs to be painted. The rich past of this institution deserves to be written about and shared with the community, and that is why I attempted to unearth a fascinating aspect of the department's past. The arming of the department with firearms in 1975 seemed to be an excellent place to start, as it was exciting, recent, and seemingly controversial.

I argue two events in particular were instrumental in the decision to arm: the first I call the Main Street Riot and the second the Basin View Brawl. Both incidents involved police officers becoming injured, and both saw the culprits see few consequences for their actions.

The Main Street Riot involved ten young men, between the ages of 16 and 26, who were charged with causing a riot on Main Street on July 6, 1974. The men involved were said to have been drinking at a local bar and then went to the Civic building in an attempt to free inmates. The town lockup suffered heavy damage as a result. The Basin View Brawl saw six young men brutally attack two police officers at the Basin View Recreation Centre on March 27, 1975. Police were called to the Basin View Recreation Centre to investigate an alleged disturbance. When Deputy Chief Blake Miner and Constable Everett Pearl arrived on the scene and attempted to arrest the man causing the problem, they were viciously attacked by him and five other young men. The attackers used pieces of furniture,

ash trays, and broken pool cues to attack the officers. Pearl was unable to return to work for ten days as a result of his injuries to his ankle, head, side and back. Miner was able to return to work the next day, but received injuries to his head and arm.

These incidents caused the police committee, led by Bob Wrye, to propose that officers carry firearms to uphold law and order. There is no evidence that indicates this was a controversial issue with the public. It is likely that since the RCMP were present in Windsor, New Minas, and Kentville, and they were already equipped with guns, that it was not such a huge change for the public. While crime rates did drop after this period, I argue that this was part of a larger initiative put in place by the province to get



tough on crime, and the lower crime rates that came after the introduction of guns were a result of that, rather than the arming of the police.

*This presentation was researched by Paul Wadden, a 4th-year Honours History Major at Acadia. Upon graduating, he plans to attend law school out west.*



# What's Happening from December 20, 2012 - January 10, 2013

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## THURSDAY, 20

### Girls Helping Girls —

Wolfville Farmers' Market, 6-9pm  
• In October, Pakistani schoolgirl, Malala Yousufzai, was shot by the Taliban because she advocated for the education of girls. Two teens at Horton High School, MacKenzie Pardy and Sophia Bush-Anderson, have organized an art show and sale Dec. 20th to aid Malala's cause. Paintings, drawings, sculptures, silks paintings, collages & more. All proceeds from a silent auction will go to the foundation Because I Am a Girl.

### Meeting: Community Development Committee

— Town Hall, 359 Main Street 7-9pm  
• INFO: wolfville.ca

## FRIDAY, 21 - The End of the World? 2012 Winter Solstice

### Concert: Ardyth & Jennifer

— St. James Anglican Church, Kentville 7:30pm • The Longest Night is a tradition in the Kentville area, this group has provided traditional Christmas music for all to enjoy **TIX:** \$10 at door **INFO:** 678-3123 / stjames@ns.sympatico.ca

### Service: Longest Night —

Wolfville United Baptist Church 7pm  
• All welcome, feel peace **INFO:** 542-5524 / wolfvillebaptist.ca

## SATURDAY, 22

### Middleton Unplugged —

Bean Roasted Cafe, 1-5pm • An intimate and eclectic show case of the singer/song writers that Middleton has produced over the last 25 years. Featuring: Sons of Peat, Adam Baxter, Richie Styxx, Sunwen Metler, Andrew Gillis & Corey McLean **TIX:** no charge, donations to the MRHS band program **INFO:** 825-4917 / adambaxtermusic@gmail.com

**Diary of a Wimpy Kid, Dog Days Movie** — Windsor Library 2pm • Appropriate entertainment for the whole family and a great

way to start the Christmas break. **TIX:** no charge **INFO:** 798-5424 / valleylibrary.ca

**Party: Big Deal** — Royal Legion, Kentville 9:30pm • Branch Christmas Party open to the public. **TIX:** \$6 non-members **INFO:** 678-8935 / kentvillelegion@eastlink.ca

## SUNDAY, 23

### Community Skate —

Centennial Arena, Kentville 4-5pm • KINGS Physiotherapy is sponsoring a FREE skate. Come out and enjoy the fun! **TIX:** no charge **INFO:** 681-8181 / kingsphysio@ns.sympatico.ca

### Christmas in the Valley

— The Barn @ The Old Orchard Inn 8pm-2am • COUSINS!!! KELKASHOWZ and BOYS BOYS BOYS!!! what a lineup! We have some assurance that we will also not run out of beer this year. **INFO:** jarredpgates@gmail.com / facebook: Christmas In The Valley

## MONDAY, 24 — Christmas Eve!

(For a complete listing of church services in the area, contact: officewolfuc@eastlink.ca)

### Gingerbread House Decorating

— Community Centre, Windsor 10am-8pm • Drop your kids (ages 5-12) off on the morning of Christmas Eve. Your kids will decorate a gingerbread house and participate in other seasonal activities. Register at Town Office in advance. **TIX:** \$20 **INFO:** 798-1162 / dlevy@town.windsor.ns.ca

### Service: Catholic Mass — St.

Francis of Assisi Parish, Wolfville 6:30pm & 9pm • Mass also Dec. 25th @ 9:30am & 11am **INFO:** 542-3074 / franlaw.ca

### Service: Christmas Eve Candlelight

— Wolfville United Baptist Church 7pm • A beautiful way to embrace this special evening. **INFO:** 542-5524 /

wolfvillebaptist.ca

### Service: Midnight Communion

— St. John's Anglican Church, Wolfville 11pm • A holy night with candles, carols, and communion. Dec. 25th service @ 10am. **INFO:** 542-2464 / stjohsanglicanchurchwolfville.com

### Service: Quiet Celebration

— Covenant Church, 1989 Grand Pre Road 11pm • A peaceful night at a historic location. **INFO:** officewolfuc@eastlink.ca

## TUESDAY, 25 Christmas!

### Scotian Hiker: Christmas at Cape Split

— Cape Split Road, Scots Bay 11am-3:30pm • For those who want to boost their metabolism before sitting down to Christmas supper. Meetup is at 10:30am at the Cape Split trailhead in Scots Bay (directions on website). The hike will take 2 hours each way, over inclines, roots and rocky footpath. Bring lots of water and snacks/lunch (and snowshoes!). Please check website on day of hike in case of changes. **TIX:** no charge **INFO:** scotianhiker.com

### Christmas Dinner — Lions

Club, Wolfville 4-7pm • Traditional free-range Turkey Dinner with all the fixings (Vegan Tofu option avail)! It's free but if you're able, there's a freewill offering box at the door. Please spread the word... RSVP by Dec. 20th if you can. All are welcome!!! **TIX:** no charge, food donations welcomed **INFO:** 542-5511 / pickford@ns.sympatico.ca

## WEDNESDAY, 26 Boxing Day!

### Scotian Hiker: Moses

Mountain — Mill Section, Hants Co. 10:30am-2:30pm • A good hike around Falls Lake Loop and up to the summit of Moses Mountain. This will be mostly easy/moderate walk (some inclines), but the side-

trek up the mountainside is steep and difficult. Snowshoes may be required. Bring lots of water and snacks/lunch. Approx. 10kms. Meetup: 2955/2957 Hwy 14 in Mill Section, past Martock (see website for directions). Event is weather-dependent. Please check website on day of hike in case of changes. **TIX:** no charge **INFO:** scotianhiker.com

## FRIDAY, 28

### Amadeus Guitar Duo —

Manning Memorial Chapel, Wolfville 3-4:30pm • Classical guitar concert. Music for two guitars by Teleman, Handel, Pasquini, Gerald Garcia, Dale Kavanagh and others. **TIX:** \$20 **INFO:** 542-9686 / info@amadeusduo.com

### Film: Jesus Christ Superstar

— Al Whittle Theatre, Wolfville 7-9:23pm • Experience Andrew Lloyd Webber's newly staged arena production of the rock opera sensation Jesus Christ Superstar on the big screen. All funds raised will go towards the Acadia Cinema Building fund, helping our community preserve and enhance this beautiful local building. **TIX:** Adults \$19.95 + tax Adults, \$14.95 +tax Students/Seniors @ Just Us! Wolfville or at the door **INFO:** 542-7474, ext 230 / kathy@justuscoffee.com

## SATURDAY, 29

### AXEmen Hockey

— Acadia Athletic Complex 7pm • Exhibition game VS Toronto Varsity Blues. Family Pack Night! \$24 for two adults and up to 4 youth 16 years and younger! **TIX:** \$10 adult, no charge for students **INFO:** sports.acadiau.ca

## MONDAY, 31 New Year's Eve!

(see Eat To The Beat on page 5 for more NYE options)

### Resolution Run/Walk —

Farmers Market, Wolfville 1:30-3:30pm • Come jump start your







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best year ever! Take part in the 6th annual Wolfville Resolution Run/Walk on a sidewalk course of either 3.5 or 5.0 km. This is a family friendly, non-competitive fun event in support of the local food bank. Registration: Wolfville Farmers' Market @ 1:30pm with the walk/run @ 2pm. Draw prizes and hot apple cider at the finish line! **TIX:** donation **INFO:** Susan wolfvilleresolutionrun@gmail.com

**Scotian Hiker: NYE Blue Beach Bonfire** — Blue Beach Rd, Kings County 5-9pm • Celebrate the end of another good hiking year with a 'blazing bonfire at Blue Beach'. Open to all, dependent on weather/road conditions. Please check website for directions. **TIX:** no charge **INFO:** [scotianhiker.com](http://scotianhiker.com)

**New Year's Eve Skate** — Acadia Arena, Wolfville 6-9pm • Lace up your skates and get on the ice for a fun family skate. Hot chocolate will be served by the Wolfville Scout Group as a fundraiser. **TIX:** no charge **INFO:** 542-3019 / [recreation@wolfville.ca](mailto:recreation@wolfville.ca)

**New Year's Eve Dinner & Dance** — Royal Legion, Kentville 7pm-1am • Roast Beer Dinner, music by Appaloosa **TIX:** \$20 each **INFO:** 678-8935 / [kentvillelegion@eastlink.ca](mailto:kentvillelegion@eastlink.ca)

**New Year's Eve Party** — Louis Millet Community Complex, New Minas 9pm-1am • Dance in the New Year with Rock & Roll and country tunes of the 50's through 80's with Vintage Midnight. Cold plate and party favours included in the price. **TIX:** \$30 per couple **INFO:** 681-0067 / 690-7677

**New Year's Eve Dance** — Royal Legion, Canning 9pm-1am • Music by Bev Sheffield, limited tickets sold. **TIX:** \$30 couple, \$15 single **INFO:** 582-7246 / [brian.d.hazel@ns.sympatico.ca](mailto:brian.d.hazel@ns.sympatico.ca)

**New Year's Eve Dance** — Royal Legion, Berwick 9pm-1am • Music by The Ruth Manning Band **TIX:** \$25 each **INFO:** 538-9340 / 538-3542

## Concert: Kevin Davison

— Fire Hall, Greenwich 9pm-1am  
• New Year's Eve party! Door prizes, midnight lunch buffet and a 50/50 to raise a few funds for cystic fibrosis. Special guest Josh Macumber. **TIX:** \$20 per person, available @ Avery's in Greenwich **INFO:** [kevindavison.ca](mailto:kevindavison.ca)

## TripALady New Year's Eve Dance

— Old Orchard Heritage Barn, Wolfville 9pm-1am • Dance to the sounds of a band who have pillaged the provender of pop radio stations far away in time and wed them to the delights of Irish dance tunes from even further, to conjure temporary but profound epicenters of Eighties dance bliss. Upon the arrival of the midnight hour, revelers will, with fortune smiling, pause to gather breath and welcome 2013 with a roar! **TIX:** \$20 @ Box of Delights, Wolfville & Aspinall Pottery, Wolfville Farmers' Market **INFO:** 697-2271 / [bishopmountain@eastlink.ca](mailto:bishopmountain@eastlink.ca)

## TUESDAY, 1

### New Year's Day!

**New Year's Levee** — Royal Canadian Legion, Canning 8pm • Come out and celebrate the New Year with family and friends. **TIX:** no charge **INFO:** 582-7246 / [brian.d.hazel@ns.sympatico.ca](mailto:brian.d.hazel@ns.sympatico.ca)

## WEDNESDAY, 2

**Blood Donor Clinic** — Fire Hall, Kentville 1-3pm, 5-8pm. Also Jan. 3rd • Give a Holiday Miracle. Donate Blood. New donors welcome. **TIX:** no charge **INFO:** 1-888-236-6283

**Kings County Photo Club** — NSCC Kingstec, Kentville 7-9pm • Our club is a non-profit organization established in 2005 by a group of local photography enthusiasts. Everyone is welcome to join, from novice to expert. No prior experience is necessary, just a love for photography. **TIX:** \$20 annual membership **INFO:** 542-3930 / [koszucki@eastlink.ca](mailto:koszucki@eastlink.ca)

## SATURDAY, 5

**Grow With Art: Workshop for Children** — Kingstec, NSCC, Belcher St., Kentville 1-3pm • Clay pictures, w/ Colleen Gerrits. Ages 5-14. Also, Art Works may be returned or rented at this time. **TIX:** \$2 per child **INFO:** 542-0234 / [irenehazell@hotmail.com](mailto:irenehazell@hotmail.com) / [growwithart.comuv.com](http://growwithart.comuv.com)

**AXEmen Basketball** — Acadia Athletic Complex 8pm (Women's 6pm) • VS UPEI Panthers. **TIX:** \$10 adult, (\$6 Women's), no charge for students **INFO:** sports.acadiau.ca

**Night Kitchen** — Al Whittle Theatre, Wolfville 8-10pm • Every Night Kitchen in 2012 was SOLD-OUT! See page 13 for more details. The Grapevine supports these amazing nights of talent! **INFO:** 542-3344 / [manager@alwhittletheatre.ca](mailto:manager@alwhittletheatre.ca)

## SUNDAY, 6

**Flea Market** — Royal Canadian Legion, Kentville 8am-12pm • Variety of items Help loading and unloading items Canteen available 50/50 **TIX:** \$5 per table, \$1 admission **INFO:** 678-8935 / [kentvillelegion@eastlink.ca](mailto:kentvillelegion@eastlink.ca)

**Jam Sessions** — Royal Canadian Legion, Windsor 2pm • Want somewhere to make Music? Or meet other musicians? Come out to the Jam Session for fun and friendship. 19 and over please! **TIX:** donation **INFO:** 798-0888 / [rcldr09windsor@gmail.com](mailto:rcldr09windsor@gmail.com)

**Fundy Film screens: Midnight's Children** — Al Whittle Theatre, 4 & 7pm • Based on Salman Rushdie's Man Booker Prize-winning novel, director Deepa Mehta (Water) and Rushdie collaborate on this irreverent epic as vast and beguiling as India itself. A luxurious feast of a film, it brims with romance, spectacle, intrigue, sly social commentary and uplifting optimism. See ad p. 15 **TIX:** \$8 **INFO:** 542-5157 / [fundyfilm.ca](http://fundyfilm.ca)

## MONDAY, 7

**The Spirit of Moms & Daughters** — Turning Point Coaching Solutions, Lockhartville 8-9am • A mother/daughter, 8 week bonding E-Course. Appropriate for daughters ages 5-10. **TIX:** no charge **INFO:** 684-9068 / [susan@turningpointchangestartshere.com](mailto:susan@turningpointchangestartshere.com)

## TUESDAY, 8

**Careforce Alzheimer Cafe** — Kings Riverside Court, Kentville 2-4pm • A free monthly event where those with memory loss and their families and caregivers can find recognition, information, support, and acceptance. **TIX:** no charge **INFO:** 365-3155 / [careforce@careforce.ca](mailto:careforce@careforce.ca)

**Wolfville Town Council Meeting** — 359 Main St. Wolfville 6:30-10pm • **INFO:** [wolfville.ca](http://wolfville.ca)

**Wolfville Newcomers' Club Monthly Meeting** — Farmers Market, Wolfville 7-9pm • Did you know that the oldest fossil tracks in the world can be found at Hantsport's Blue Beach? Come hear Blue Beach Fossil Museum curators Sonja Wood and Chris Mansky talk about the amazing prints that the first land vertebrates left behind as they clambered out of the sea and began their journey inland, 350 million years ago. **TIX:** no charge **INFO:** [wolfvillnewcomers@hotmail.com](mailto:wolfvillnewcomers@hotmail.com) / [wolfvillnewcomers.org](http://wolfvillnewcomers.org)





**ARIES** (March 21-April 19): Isaac Newton is regarded as one of the most influential scientists in history. But the time he spent as a member of the English Parliament was undistinguished. The only public comment he ever made while serving there was a request to close the window because he was cold. Basketball star Michael Jordan had a similar schism. In the prime of his outstanding career, he took a year off to try playing baseball, which he did poorly. After analyzing 2013's astrological aspects, Aries, I'm guessing that you should cultivate a firm intention to avoid doing what Newton and Jordan did. Keep playing to your strengths and emphasizing what you love. Don't get sidetracked by peripheral concerns.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20): In 2013, I'd like to help you cultivate an even more reliable relationship with your intuitions and hunches than you already have. You may not need much guidance from me, since the astrological omens indicate this will happen quite naturally. There's another kind of inspiration I hope to offer you in the coming months: clues about how to be "bad" in ways that will give your goodness more vigor. And when I say "bad," I'm not referring to nastiness or insensitivity, but rather to wildness and playfulness and experimentation. Here's one further service I want to provide, Taurus: helping you build a greater capacity to receive gifts, blessings, and support.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20): In the year 1900, few people believed that human beings would ever fly through the sky in machines. Most scientists thought that such a feat was impossible. For years, the Wright Brothers had a hard time convincing anyone to believe their flights were actually taking place, even though they had photos and witness reports as documentation. Although the leap you'll be capable of in 2013 isn't quite as monumental as the Wright Brothers', it could be pretty important in the history of your own life. You may also have to deal with skepticism akin to what they had to face. Be true to your vision, Gemini!

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22): In 2013, I predict you will see why it's wise to phase out an influence you have loved to hate for far too long. Uncoincidentally, you will also have a talent for purging emotional burdens and psychic debris that you've been holding on to since the bad old days. No later than your birthday, if all goes well, you will be free from a subtle curse you've been casting on yourself; you will finally be attending to one of your long-neglected needs; and you will have turned some rather gawky, half-assed wizardry into a smooth and silky magic.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22): In 2013, I pledge to help you raise your lovability. It's not that you are unlovable now, of course, but there's always room for improvement, right? And if people become even more attracted to you than they already are, then you're likely to get a lot of collaborative and cooperative work done. You will thrive as you and your allies work on projects that make your corner of the world a better and more interesting place. So what are the first three actions you could take to raise your lovability?

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): First question: Have you ever thought to yourself, "I'm afraid I will never achieve my noblest dreams or live according to my highest ideas"? Answer: There's a very good chance that in the coming year you will banish that fear from the sacred temple of your imagination. Second question: Have you ever wondered if maybe you unconsciously undermine the efforts of people who are trying to assist you? Answer: In the coming months you should discover exactly what to do to prevent such a thing from happening. Third question: Do you know the single most important question you should be asking in 2013? Answer: I predict you will figure that out sometime in the next three weeks.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): In 2013, I will be encouraging you to journey into the frontiers and experiment with the unknown. I will seek to inspire you to go in search of teachings you've needed for a long time. Are you ready for this expansion, Libra? Are you feeling a natural urge to explore

forbidden zones and discover missing secrets and mess with your outmoded taboos? As you might imagine, doing this work would motivate you to develop a healthier relationship with your fears. To bolster your courage, I suggest you find some new freedom songs to sing.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): In 2013, I will do what I can to ensure that your fiscal biorhythms are in close alignment with the universal cash flow. You should have pretty good instincts about this worthy project yourself, Scorpio. And so there's an excellent chance that your wealth will increase. The upgrade will be especially dramatic if you are constantly scheming about how you can share your riches and benefit other people with your generosity. I think there will also be an interesting fringe benefit if you maintain maximum integrity as you enhance your access to valuable resources: You will develop a more useful relationship with your obsessive tendencies.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): In 2013, I pledge to conspire with you to achieve more mixtures, connections, accords, and unifications than you ever thought possible. I will furthermore be a fount of suggestions about how you can live well in two worlds. I will coach you to create a peace treaty with your evil twin and your nemesis, and I will help you develop a knack for steering clear of other people's bad ideas and sour moods. I can't of course guarantee that you will never again experience a broken heart, but I swear I will do everything I can do to heal the broken part of your heart that you've been suffering from.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): When he was 21, the Capricorn writer Jack London set off to prospect for gold in the 1897 Klondike Gold Rush. He had a rough time there. Malnourished, he suffered from scurvy and leg pain. To make matters worse, he didn't find much gold, and returned home broke. On the other hand, he met scores of adventure seekers who told him stories of their travels. These tales served as rich raw material for his novel *The Call of the Wild*,

published in 1903. It made him famous and is generally regarded as his masterpiece. I'm guessing you will begin a similar trajectory in 2013, Capricorn. Events that may at first seem less than successful will ultimately breed a big breakthrough.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): I can't force you to seek more pleasure in 2013. I won't nag you to play harder and explore the frontiers of feeling really good. However, I will say this: If you don't plan to put yourself into at least partial alignment with the cosmic mandate to have maximum fun, you may not get the best use out of the advice I'll be offering though my horoscopes in the coming year. Please consider the possibility of ramping up your capacity for pure enjoyment.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20): The study of ancient Mayan civilization owes a lot to the fact that Americans started buying lots of chewing gum in the late 19th century. Huh? Here's the connection: For a long time, chicle was one of the prime ingredients in Chiclets, Juicy Fruit, Bazooka bubble gum, and many other brands of chewing gum. Chicle is obtained from the sap of sapodilla trees, which grow in abundance in Central America and Mexico. Over the decades, workers harvesting the chicle accidentally found many Mayan ruins covered in overgrown vegetation, then told archaeologists about their discoveries. I foresee a metaphorically comparable sequence happening in your life during 2013. In unexpected ways, you will be put back in touch with and benefit from lost, forgotten, or unexplored parts of the past.





## MIKE UNCORKED: the perfect gift

Have ever tried to find that perfect gift for someone? Each Christmas, many kids and adults ask for that perfect gift, that special item that would make their Christmas the best ever! For some it's electronics (TV's, phones, cameras, appliances) and for others it's clothing or even very extravagant presents like cars and jewelry. Each year the "perfect gift" changes; usually for kids, it's as soon as the Sears catalog comes out!

There's a lot of pressure and anxiety that goes into the hunt for those items and no one likes to disappoint others this time of year. I have been witness to Black Friday sales that result in fights and tears, I've seen and parents lose their cool when standing in front of the SOLD OUT signs by the toy racks and I have seen the treatment of customer service workers during the holidays when adults are not satisfied to the fullest. Is it all worth it? Is it all really satisfying in the end?

I remember being a kid and asking my parents and Santa for very specific toys (He-Man was my life!) and items, like an electric guitar, a drafting table, my first CD player or TV and I didn't realize the pressure of those demands on my parents until I had nephews and a niece (My Kids!) who asked those things of me. I don't stress about it, I just do my best. For the record, I am done my shopping for this Christmas and I am very proud of myself. This year, I didn't go overboard on gifts because over the last few years I've realised how much more I can give besides material items and I try to pass that idea along to others. Yes, toys and candy and clothes are fun and I do purchase those things for "my kids" because a huge part of the holidays for them ARE the

gifts they receive, but they also understand the importance of giving to others and that Christmas is about more.

My family, friends and especially my partner are terrific people this time of year because their first demand of me is my time.

They want to spend time with me and the gifts take a backseat! When my partner considers spending Christmas day afternoon together a gift, there's no debate- it's done! I think TIME is a perfect gift! People say "I don't have enough time to do this or that"... but I think there is always SOME time! One day my time will run out completely and I want to be able to look back and say that I used it as wisely as I could. Take the time to donate some clothes, food, or household items to local churches and charities. Take the time to make an extra bit of food and deliver it to an elderly neighbor or invite someone into your home who couldn't make it home for Christmas. Spend time with your family and your friends; embrace the opportunity because (if you've read the newspaper lately) family is a very precious thing that can be taken away in a heartbeat.

If you think about it everyone; time is not the perfect gift... the perfect gift for someone is YOU! Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays, Be Safe and Have Fun!

~Mike Butler



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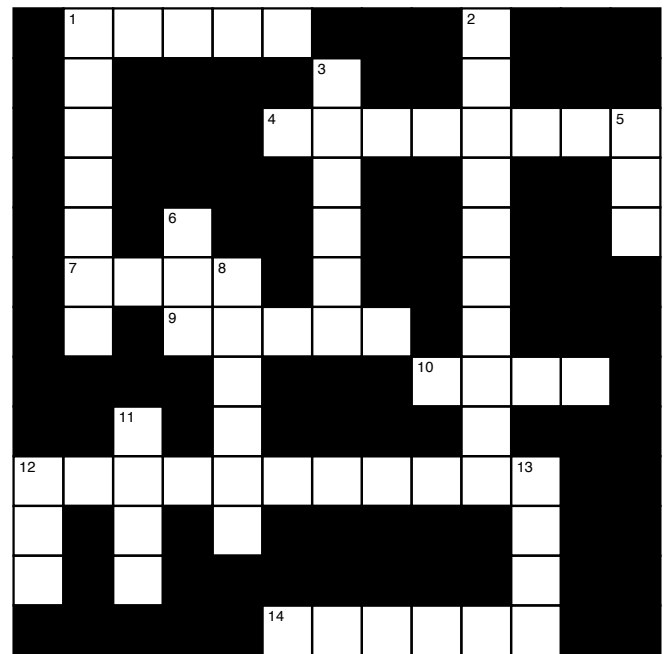
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#### ACROSS

1. How many verses? (en français)
4. You will often find these 12 in a parade
7. If you have hens and geese in a room, how many birds are present?
9. How many maids were milking?
10. How many gold rings were there?
12. How many feathered friends are there in all verses?
14. Who came after the swans were swimming?

#### DOWN

1. What were the ladies doing?
2. This style of song, when you add a new verse and repeat previous is called
3. The hens were not English...
5. How many verses involve birds?
6. The lords and ladies are in a room... how many would be without a partner?
8. This song was first published in England in 17\_\_
11. The partridge was found in this tree
12. Subtract the turtle doves from calling birds and you get this number...
13. What birds lay?



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# Ruff Stuff

Hi Billie,

*I have a new girlfriend who insists on having the dogs sleep on the bed with us...ggggrrrr...I heard this wasn't good because the dogs will dominate and not listen. She thinks they should sleep on the bed because they are well-behaved dogs. What do you think? - "Cranky in Bed"*

As a behaviourist for 15 years, when I went to clients' homes, this was one of the biggest discrepancies. Around 12 years ago, the big "dominance" theme emerged, and many trainers used the bed issue as a means of gaining dominance (or losing it) over your dog. I never agreed with this... or at least not in such a cut-and-dry manner. Your dog is not going to think he "owns" you because he sleeps with you; however, the decision as to whether or not the dog is on the bed should be that of the dog owner. The owner should have the ability to calmly and easily enforce this, and using the bed as a training exercise and a reward can be very effective. I recommend changing routine by using calm, clear commands so that if you want your dog on the bed at night - yet not while changing the sheets (or doing something else) - then you have to ability to make that decision. So, "Cranky in Bed", if the dogs listen to your girlfriend and get their own way because they are good, I suggest you follow their lead.



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## [ A Fine Kite for a Gambler ]

It appeared that Mr. Ells was deliberately using the month of December to grow overly cautious and cynical. He had been putting too much emphasis on his daily Aries horoscope in hopes of finding some direction. He had recycled all of his stale, classroom jokes and he was way down in the popularity polls with the students in room 204. Not even the Mr. Potato Head demos were drawing the usual laughs from the back row. And then there was the question of Ramona's recent hiatus.

Of course, Ramona's kite had arrived in the mail a few weeks back, but there hadn't been much contact since then. There was something about renovations to her cottage. In the meantime, Ramona's kite rested on the floor of Mr. Ells's apartment, and he

found himself staring at it in the December evenings. It was, in fact, black, pink, yellow, and gold. When completely unfurled, it was 14 meters squared and intended for kite surfing. It was also one of the only products Mr. Ells had ever seen which came with a warning label concerning the risk of decapitation.

One evening, Mr. Ells glanced back over at the kite, and thought about everything all at once. He saw the long and wasted years he'd spent without Ramona – all because he hadn't taken the chances love requires. You know the ones. Mr. Ells shuddered. He broke down for one thousand cold nights in one second flat. A particular Joni Mitchell song sliced back into his mind, and there were glimpses of dark ice marked by ice skates.

Eventually, it's hard to know how much time elapsed, Mr. Ells re-focused his ragged eyeballs and began moving. He lifted the horoscope section of the newspaper from his coffee table and crumpled it into a ball. He threw it against the wall. In the process, his eyes caught sight of a photocopied form, the kind of form teachers fill out for fieldtrips, on his desk. He grabbed the form and hurriedly began to fill in the blanks...

The children will enjoy this trip, Mr. Ells thought. They like beaches. They like kites. He then stood up, looked out into the stormy evening beyond his balcony, and felt much better about Ramona, and the chances he had to take.

- W. Ells

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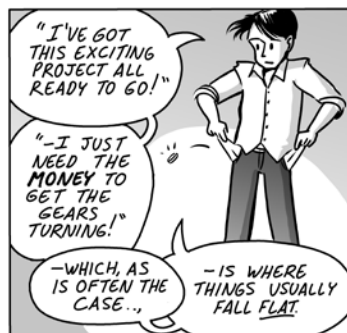
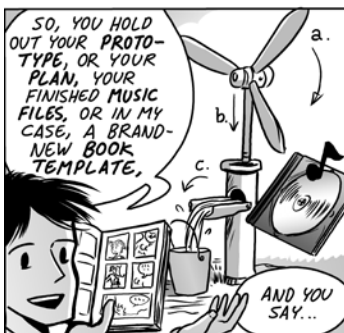
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## Who's Who: *Ralph Howard Vidito: My Laugh, My Heart, My Grampie!*

It's that time of year again. Swimming around in my head are images of a man with a round jolly face with rosy cheeks, an adorable little nose and a set of eyes with the most incredible twinkle in them. There's a magnificent laugh accompanied with a round jiggling belly and the love and spirit of Christmas is pouring out of him. No, it's not Santa ... but it's close, I am talking about Ralph Howard Vidito, my Grandfather! As a kid, the last name Vidito was hard to pronounce, so we called him Grampie Toes.

My Grampie Toes was born in Stellerton, Pictou County. He worked for the Town of Kentville for 42 years, retiring as a heavy equipment operator. He served with the Canadian Armed Forces during the Second World War and was a member of the Royal Canadian Legion, Kings Branch No.6, Kentville. He and his wife (my Nanny) Christina lived in Kentville and raised six kids, three boys and three girls, and he was the proud grandfather of eight grandchildren and later in life, some great-grandchildren came along too. For Grampie, family always came first and he loved Christmas time because the whole family gathered together and celebrated around him, the head of our clan, basking in the fun, he was the biggest kid of all!

A thousand pages could never hold the memories I have of my Grandfather. He was always there to drive me places when I needed him, he introduced me to the music of Elvis, the Oak ridge Boys, the Statler Brothers and Boxcar Willie and my love of the Andy Griffith



show, Gunsmoke, and Hee Haw can all be blamed on him too.

And anyone who knows me owes him a thank you because there's so much of him in me. He had the greatest sense of humor, always telling jokes and singing little songs (Ditties) and he made each moment count! Gramp went out of his way, everyday, to make each child and grandchild feel loved and appreciated, there was nothing he wouldn't do for us. I think back to us trying to help him in the garden, climbing over him while he was trying to watch TV or making him drive us somewhere and while some would think we were nuisances, Gramp loved every minute of it!

On December 16th, 2002 my Grampie Toes passed away, in a room filled with warmth, love and the most important thing to him, family. I write this profile ten years to the day when I said Good Bye to him, and very few days go by that he doesn't cross my mind. I know he's keeping an eye on me, sending me little messages and guiding me through and I know the things I would want him to see or hear, he's seen and heard. When "Walk of Life" by Dire Straits comes on the radio, when I catch a whiff of Brute cologne in the Pharmasave, and when my partner tells me I have a twinkle in my eyes... it's just my Grampie, saying Hello! Merry Christmas Grampie Toes! Love Always, Your Mick Finn!

~Mike Butler



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our cups are overflowing! All of the loving kindness that we continue to be shown is what keeps us going; warming our hearts, filling our bellies and helping us make it through. Cam is healing well, he looks great on the outside and he's doing so much better on the inside. We're confident that he'll be back to his old self riding around town on four, three, two wheels or one. There is so much beauty in this world and each day we can choose to add to it or not. Wolfville you have made your choice and it's beautiful! Thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

~ Melanie and Cam

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## Tide Predictions at Cape Blomidon

Source: Canadian Fisheries & Oceans  
[www.waterlevels.gc.ca](http://www.waterlevels.gc.ca)

Dec	High	Low
20	6:13pm	11:55am
21	7:10pm	12:53pm
22	7:39am	1:52pm
23	8:35am	2:49pm
24	9:28am**	3:43pm
25	10:18am	4:33pm
26	11:04am	5:18pm
27	11:47am	5:59pm
28	12:27pm	6:38pm
29	1:06pm	6:52am
30	1:45pm	7:31am
31	2:26pm	8:11am
Jan		
01	3:08pm	8:53am
02	3:54pm	9:38am
03	4:43pm	10:27am
04	5:36pm	11:19am
05	6:33pm	12:16pm
06	7:03am	1:16pm
07	8:03am	2:18pm
08	9:03am	3:18pm
09	10:01am	4:17pm
10	10:57am*	5:12pm

\* Highest High: 43.6 feet

\*\* Lowest High: 37.1 feet

Please note, there are normally two high and low tides a day