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This winter's month of February was definitely a challenge for most people. With the snow banks so high, it was hard to get any more to the top. I had eye surgery and was not allowed to bend or lift. The weekend of the 'big' snow, my next-door neighbour snowshoed to my door, made sure that I was OK, and then shoveled a path to the street for me. What a wonderful neighbourhood and town I live in.

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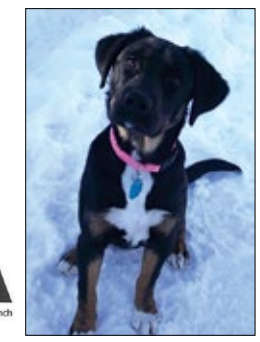

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Who is your favourite author?
What's the latest NS book that you've read?
Where do you do most of your reading?
How do you support literacy and literature in the Annapolis Valley?

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My favorite author? There are so many, but Richard Paul Evans would be one of them. What's my latest NS book? Well, Pamela Callow from Halifax is a great mystery writer and they're all set in Halifax. I mostly read in my living room in my favorite chair.

I support literacy and literature by having a wide selection of books for everyone and I help people who are having a hard time getting back into reading by spending time with them to pick out the right book that will get their attention quickly. Kids who do not like to read are a big challenge, but I ask them what their interests are and go from there. I find a lot of kids are turning to historical fiction these days. I feel that my used bookstore is well organized and very clean so that people like to spend time in it. I have lots of chairs around the store to sit and take your time finding that special treasure. That's the pull of a good used bookstore…you just never know what you will find!

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Wolfville Children's Centre — *17 Earnscliffe Ave., Wolfville, 542-5087 / wolfville.childrencentre@ns.aliantzinc.ca / nsnet.org/wolfvillechildrenscentre* • WCC has several authors that are favourites of the children. Sheree Fitch and Robert Munsch are two that come to mind immediately. As well, Holly Carr, has contributed her artwork to a wonderful children's book, What is Pink. Reading to children in the early years (even before they are born) gives children the love of language and the important first step toward reading on their own!

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valleystorytime.wordpress.com

March 15, 2015: I'm Back!

Caldecott picture-book looking is over, and I am now back to talk about picture books to use in storytime! If you want to read a bit about my Caldecott experience, I've posted that over on the ALSC blog. And I've also got a post about Beekle there as well. Now, on to the new stuff…

www.5down.org

March 14, 2015: Text(books) I used to babysit a lot as a teenager. We were three sisters (with two years between, and then a 4 years younger brother). One of us was always available. We were a hot commodity. One of the places I remember babysitting was the home of University graduates. They had loads of large, impressive-looking textbooks. I recall gazing at them and thinking "someday, I will have shelves with loads of large, impressive-looking textbooks."

storystudions.blogspot.ca

March 16, 2015: Duck

I wish I knew more about genetics and inherited traits. If I did, I might be able to explain why the first word my granddaughter Beatrix (Bebe) spoke, when she was barely one year old, was "duck!" Of course, there are a few clues close at hand…

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February 26, 2015: Revisiting a Children's Lit class – 35 years later…

I had a chance to visit a Canadian Children's Literature class yesterday at Acadia University. I took a Kids' Lit class at Acadia back in 1980; a specifically Canadian course didn't exist then. As I told the students yesterday, we couldn't have had an author in to visit the class because the people who wrote the books we studied were all long-dead…

avrlfeedyourmind.blogspot.ca

March 16, 2015: Sneak Peak!

We are working on something really fun here at AVRL. They are called "Be Fit" Physical Literacy Kits. We all know how important it is for kids to have access to books and language at an early age, but sometimes we might forget how important it is for kids to be active, even as toddlers or infants…

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Temperance in a Teacup

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During the run, there will be a Silent Auction AND you can also purchase as many $25 tickets as you wish to enter a draw to win a Golden Ticket - *free admission for two to ALL CentreStage events in 2016!* A Golden Ticket draw will be held at each of our three "Temperance meetings". We're including a Lotto Tree this year as well. A $5 ballot gives you the chance of winning all the lotto tickets on the tree and taking them home with you on the night you attend.

Call Lana Churchill at 902-542-2186 for more information or to reserve tickets for the "Temperance meeting". Reservations can also be made at 902-678-8040. If attending the present play, tickets can also be obtained from Front of House at intermission.

The play (um, "meeting") is directed by Nancy Henry and Davina Melanson. Musical Accompanist is Masami Suzuki. Cast in Alphabetical Order: Bob Cook, Mike Jorgensen, Carla MacKenzie, Bob Melanson, Davina Melanson, Valerie Rafuse, Heather Rushton, Bryen Stoddard

Come and join us for a "cuppa" in April!

See poster on page 24

HERE AND AWAY: Library Usership

by Pamela Swanigan-Graves

Figures below are for number of library memberships and population served. Canadian statistics are for 2012. Statistics for other countries are for 2009-2012.

Nova Scotia: 298,369 library memberships, population of 938,183 (1 out of 3.2 people)

PEI: 55,585/141,551 (1 out of 2.56 people)

BC: 2,192,300/4,404,212 (1 out of 2 people)

Ontario: 5,133,356/12,003,905 (1 out of 2.34 people)

Alberta: 1,424,299/3,267,894 (1 out of 2.3 people)

Manitoba: 510,739/999,933 (1 out of 1.96 people)

Quebec: 2,588,933/7,536,665 (1 out of 2.91 people)

Northwest Territories: 15,736/43,439 (1 out of 2.76 people)

United States: 170,911,558/318.9 million (1 out of 1.86 people)

Australia: 9,999,492/23.13 million (1 out of 2.31 people)

Sweden: 2,753,208/9.5 million (1 out of 3.45 people)

Poland: 8,915,894/38.53 million (1 out of 4.32 people)

United Kingdom: 35,600,806/62.28 million (1 out of 1.75 people)

Singapore: 2,660,924/5.47 million (1 out of 2.05 people)

Russia: 56,160,300/146.6 million (1 out of 2.61 people)

Sources: *Michael R. Brundin and Alvin M. Schrader, National Statistical Profile of Canadian Libraries (2012); Online Computer Library Center.*

The British Library in London is the national library of the United Kingdom and is the largest library in the world by number of items catalogued. The Library's collections include around 14 million books, along with substantial holdings of manuscripts and historical items dating back as far as 2000 BC.

Source: Wikipedia

VALLEY COMMUNITY LEARNING ASSOCIATION

Dear Grapevine Readers,

The Valley Community Learning Association (VCLA) is a non-profit organization that addresses the learning needs of adults who require assistance achieving their personal learning goals. We work with individuals and groups to provide educational programs, advocacy, and information. We believe we can build stronger communities through adult learning. Our guiding mission is to help adults reach their learning goals.

For a relatively small organization we think we are having a significant impact in our community. In the past year, over 250 adults enrolled in our programs. Learners come to us for many reasons. For example, they come to get help in such areas as math, reading, and writing to prepare for their GED or apprenticeship exams after working on math for the trades. Others come to work on basic literacy in order to prepare for entrance into the Commercial Safety College to be trained to drive trucks and run heavy equipment.

These are only the easy-to-measure results of our programs. Many other adults have experienced the more qualitative improvements that come with increased literacy, such as becoming better able to communicate with their children's teachers and help with homework, becoming more involved in their communities as volunteers and voting citizens, and in the case of the over 60 immigrants in our 'English as an Additional Language' program, improving their English so they can put down roots in the Valley and put their skills to work.

VCLA knows that many working people struggle to keep up with the demands of an ever changing work world. That is why we offer programs in the evenings as well as flexible daytime hours for working people to improve their reading, writing, math and computer skills. We also know that many adults make the decision to improve their education when their own children get ready to start school. That is why VCLA is present at every Early Years Screening and Pre-Primary Registration day at Valley schools to talk to parents about what we can do to help.

At VCLA we strive to ensure that all adults in the Annapolis Valley have the literacy skills they need at work, at home, and in their communities. We ask you for your support to help us with our annual fundraiser, the Literacy Mile. This year the 'Mile' will take place Saturday, May 9 from 1-3 pm in front of our Learning Centre in Kentville at 49 Cornwallis Street. Your donation will assist us to provide training for volunteer tutors, buy books for learners, and generally provide for all of the things that are not covered by our government partners. Donations in excess of $20 are eligible for a charitable tax receipt.

For more information about our work, please go to our website at vcla.ca, or contact me directly at lihv@eastlink.ca

Sincerely,
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RECIPE | Roasted Moroccan Carrot Salad

Jenny Osburn, Union Street Café

Confession – this salad was invented in my Nova Scotian kitchen, far away from the twisted streets and minaret calls of Morocco. I believe that in a cold Canadian winter you should never let worry about authenticity get in the way of something really delicious.

Roasted Moroccan Carrot Salad:

Ingredients:

- 12 Carrots *(use assorted colours if you can)*
- 1 Red Onion, sliced
- 3 tbsp Olive Oil
- 1 tsp Salt
- 2 tbsp Lemon Juice
- 1 clove Garlic, minced
- 1 tsp Cumin, toasted in a small frying pan until fragrant
- 1/2 tsp Sriracha Hot Sauce *(or not)*
- 1/4 tsp Cinnamon
- 2 tbsp Parsley
- 2 tsp Honey
- Pomegranate Seeds and Chopped Cilantro for garnishing, optional

Directions: Preheat oven to 400 degrees. Peel carrots and cut into 1/2" pieces. Place in a large bowl with the onion, olive oil and salt. Toss to coat the vegetables and spread onto a baking sheet. Roast for 35-40 minutes, stirring occasionally, until carrots have softened and are beginning to brown. Meanwhile, whisk the lemon juice, cumin, optional hot sauce, cinnamon, honey, and parsley until combined. When the carrots are ready, scrape them back in the bowl with all of their oil and toss with the dressing while still warm. Serve salad right away or chill until cold and serve garnished with the pomegranate seeds and cilantro.

THE ROOT RESTAURANT REVIEW

Submitted by Scott Campbell

In the interests of brevity...OMG!

The Root Restaurant in Coldbrook might be the newcomer to the Valley restaurant scene but you would never know it from the incredible food and service. My party and I arrived – unannounced – and were quickly seated and asked what we would like for drinks. The impressive drink menu included everything from a fun Salted Caramel Martini to lots of local choices of beer and wine including Nova 7, Sea Level Brewing Pale Ale, Grand Pré L'Acadie, and more.

But when the food arrived – Wow! The entire menu looked enticing but, alas, we couldn't have everything. What we did have was amazing. Two of us had the Southern Fried Chicken and Waffle - fried chicken topped with bacon, drizzled with honey and served on a waffle with a side of your choice. Are you kidding me?! I got a side of onion rings but the original cole slaw (with pumpkin seeds and cranberries) is awesome too.

I couldn't eat all mine but eagerly asked for a container to take my leftovers home. My lack of capacity might have been due to the three kinds of appetizers we tried – Buffalo Wings, Sweet & Spicy Bacon Wrapped Meat Balls, and the Roasted Garlic Parisian Loaf. They were all good but you really need to do yourself a favour and get the Roasted Garlic Parisian Loaf. Trust me.

So, for an awesome night out – bring friends, definitely bring an appetite, and give The Root Restaurant a try.

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therootrestaurantcoldbrook.com

ROOTLOCAL.CA:

By Cheri Killam

Cheri Killam is delighted to be married to Michael Caplan; thrilled to be called Mommy by Max, Solomon, and Clara; and proud to be practising law with the good people of Nathanson Seaman Watts in Kentville. Cheri loves to read and run (usually not at the same time) and she loves to blog. Check out her new blog at www.5down.org.

FARM GIRL PRESERVES

Our latest trip to the Wolfville Farmers' Market involved only Clara and me, but she was more than up to the task of choosing from the wide array of goodies on offer at Farm Girl Preserves. FGP features pickles, relish, chutneys, and jams in expected and unexpected combinations. Clara was of the opinion that pushing the envelope was the best idea. She sampled a couple and settled on three jars of joy.

My parents came to visit last night and, as per usual, Clara was still eating. "Why on earth is the meat on her sandwich purple?" asked my mother. Clara said "it's beet relish!" Chipotle Beet Relish, actually, lovingly prepared by the Farm Girl herself, Vicki McNamara. Mike had made delicious sandwiches with roast beef, goat cheese, and this relish. We all loved them, including the kids. I offered a bite of the relish to my parents, who tried to demur, but I bullied them into trying it anyway. They were both pleasantly surprised. Can I say they relished it? I had to. It is an odd combination that works surprisingly well. Vicki told me she had worked with a chef to find the right balance between the smokey chipotle and the earthiness of the beet. I found that both kept their fully unique flavour, but complemented each other in just the right kind of harmony.

A big favourite with our kids was an offering Vicki says is always the pick of kids who stop by her booth for samples. The cheekily named Mustard Rings 'n' Strings is just like those mustardy pickled onions your mother used to make (or maybe it was just my mother?) but the onions are sliced into...rings and strings. My kids loved the name and the flavour. They are a creamy, tangy, crunchy, yummy side dish with a lot of visual appeal: the vivid yellow made a beautiful addition to the purple meat sandwiches. If you love mustard pickles, you will love these. The strings and rings make them less prone to rolling off your plate, which is always a great feature.

Our final sample was the most unusual combination of all. Pumpkin Marmalade is a really cool concept. It is made with oranges, ginger, and lemon (in addition to the pumpkin, of course). I asked Vicki how she'd come up with such a crazy combination. She shrugged, smiled, and told me she had a lot of pumpkins. Profusion is the mother of creative concoctions?

My favourite way to eat this delectable marmalade is warmed and used as a nacho chip dip. It is important, after all, to have options with storm chips. It is also yummy on toast with some butter. It's similar to the most standard style of marmalade but with a twist - the pumpkin gives it a mellow, smooth, and rich flavour. I really think Paddington would approve.

Farm Girl Preserves are available at the Wolfville Farmers' Market and you can 'like' her on Facebook and follow her on Twitter.

For the Health of it: ARE YOU FEELING DIRTY?

Seasonal Health Secrets of Chinese Medicine
Submitted by Devorah Fallows R.Ac., Wolfville, oceanbayclinic.com

It's okay. There's no need to feel guilty or bad. You're not 'Dirty'! However, no amount of fasting or detox dieting will suddenly make up for a year of bad eating habits. Many people think Spring is time for a dietary "detox" that often involves some sort of fast. When patients ask me about these diets, I explain that as the season changes, all that's required of us is to gently shift our eating – we can simply begin to lighten & freshen up. Start using shorter cooking times & higher heat. Flash cooked stir fries are good at this time. As a practitioner of Chinese Medicine, I like to help patients get excited about building health & preventing illness by following the natural rhythms of the heavens & earth.

It might not feel like it, but Spring is here – Happy Chinese New Year! Though we Valley folk may be buried under a thick blanket of drifting blowing snow, the amount of sparkling sunshine we get increases every day. The shift in season is not just about the outside temperature or how much snow there is or isn't on the ground, it's about light. The amount of the sun`s yang energy we're exposed to is increasing & the days are getting longer. Our bodies are receiving the message to awaken & reach upward (the previous message of winter was to store & hibernate). Bulbs deep in the frozen ground are cracking open & getting ready shoot up.

Cleaning & fasts are very popular in the Spring. Chinese medicine theory doesn't support this approach however. Why put unnecessary strain on your body's organ systems? Let the idea of 'Spring Cleaning' apply to sweeping your house & sorting out cupboards – a great way to celebrate Chinese New Year. Spring's a time of upheaval & intensity when Wind is a potent force. The 'Liver' (meridian & functions) is especially vulnerable right now, and susceptible to the effects of wind, both external & internal. Some symptoms of internal wind include: dizziness, headaches, cramps, itching, spasms or emotional turmoil. Communicable diseases & pathogens that involve internal wind (high fever, spasms & convulsions) are particularly powerful at this time of year.

A main idea in Chinese Medicine is that "Good medicine prevents disease, while poor medicine treats disease". Prevention is the key, and can take many forms. As viruses and bacteria are continually mutating, we need to consider that vaccinations are just part of maintaining health. Adequate rest, eating, dressing & living in harmony with the season and your constitution, are all necessary.

My closing thoughts for Spring & Chinese New Year: Roll with the energy of the changing season. Spend some of your reading week enjoying doing nothing! Avoid things that weaken your immune system. And embrace health through prevention.

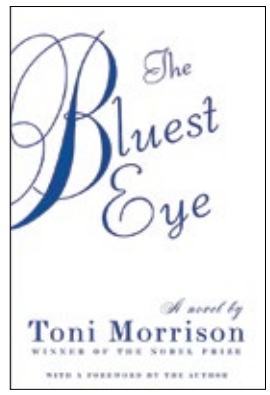
Devorah Fallows says "Eat & Be Well!"

MIKE UNCORKED

Spring into a Good Book

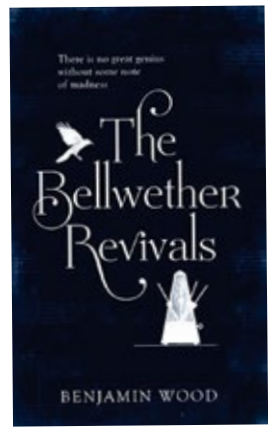
Mike Butler

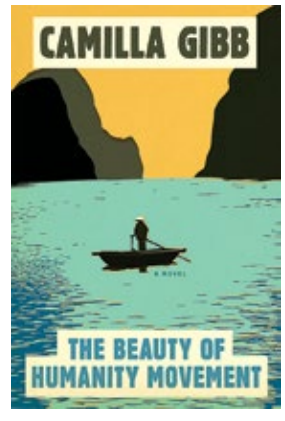
Well, I'm not sure if you noticed but in the last issue of the Grapevine, there was no Mike Uncorked article present. I have decided to submit my articles every second issue to allow room for other submissions. Unless something URGENT comes up that I need to communicate to the public, look for me in two issues' time.



It's March 11, it's plus 8 outside, it's sunny and the snow is melting… I swear it feels and smells just a bit like spring! As soon as the winter starts to disappear, I contemplate my spring reading line-up of books. I am a BIG believer in reading, passing along books to others, and encouraging people of all ages to read. Please take note of these novel ideas and treat yourself to a nice piece of literature this spring.

First, on March 26, 27, and 28, the 48th Annual Book Sale, put on by the Canadian Federation of University Women (CFUW) Wolfville, will take place at the Wolfville Lion's Hall on Elm Ave. This event always makes my MUST-DO list because it's fun and supports great causes. Doors open each day at 9am and there's no admission fee. There is a large selection of books in many categories, as well as magazines, jigsaw puzzles, CDs, LPs, and Videos. Get your reading material here at wonderful prices! Proceeds from the sale support many local organizations including the Annapolis Valley Regional Library, Annapolis Valley Science Fair, Flowercart, Valley Music Festival, Acadia's S.M.I.L.E. Program, Kings Kikima Grannies, Valley Hospice Foundation, and the Wolfville Food Bank. Some of the proceeds also provide a $1500 CFUW Award in Women's Studies at Acadia and $500 for the Grace MacLeod Rogers Prize.





Now, some reading recommendations: I am a huge fan of Toni Morrison and this spring I am going to revisit some of her classic pieces - *Beloved*, *The Bluest Eye* and *Sula*. I also recommend *Love, Paradise and A Mercy*. Recently I read three novels that had a Toni Morrison-esque feel to them - *The Girl with Glass Feet* by Ali Shaw, *Glow* by Jessica Maria Tuccelli, and *Clover* by Dori Saunders, all fantastic reads! For the more serious reader, I would choose *The Bell Wether Revivals* by Benjamin Wood, *Practical Jean* by Trevor Cole or any of the offerings from author Tatiana de Rosnay including her latest, *The House I Loved*. Other great reads include *February* by Lisa Moore, *Far to Go* by Alison Pick, *Dreams of Joy* by Lisa See, or *The Beauty of Humanity Movement* by Camilla Gibb set in contemporary Vietnam.

In the true story category, a wonderful book that I received for Christmas called *Wild* by Cheryl Strayed was turned into a film starring Reese Witherspoon. I also recommend *My Week With Marilyn* by Colin Clark, *A Single Man* by Christopher Isherwood, and *Vanessa and Virginia* by Susan Sellers.

If you want to dive into something different, pick up any of Chuck Palahnuik's works like *Damned*, *Doomed*, *Fight Club*, or *Tell All*. For something scary, pick up Josh Malerman's *Bird Box*. And for something hilarious I recommend Shalom Auslander's *Hope: A Tragedy* or his acclaimed *Foreskin's Lament*. You'll think hard and laugh out loud for days.

Check out these superb selections: *The Book of Salt* by Monique Truong, a historical novel set in Paris that's filled with intrigue and betrayal; *Clara & Mr. Tiffany* by Susan Vreeland, which tells a love story set during the 1893 Chicago World's Fair; and Caroline Pignat's *Greener Grass*, set in Ireland in 1847 during the great famine. This last novel was the winner of the Governor General's Award for the Literary Arts.

I push strongly for young adults to read so here are a few titles to keep them busy. Check out *The Fault of our Stars* by John Green; *Horton's Miraculous Mechanisms* by Lissa Evans; or Philip Roy's dazzling fourth volume of the Submarine Outlaw Series, *Ghosts of the Pacific*. Or drop by your local bookstore and pick up newly-released yet very inexpensive editions of such classics as *Wuthering Heights*, *Jane Eyre*, *Sense and Sensibility*, and *Pride and Prejudice*.

Some other classic reading on my list for the spring would be *A Room with a View* by E.M. Forster, *To Kill a Mockingbird* by Harper Lee, or even a classic play like *Death of a Salesman* or *Streetcar Named Desire*. Grab some friends, head to the park, pick parts and pour through a Shakespeare play together like *Hamlet* or *Taming of the Shrew*.

Visit Box of Delights Bookstore, Rainbow's End, or the Odd Book in Wolfville; Reader's Haven in Windsor; or Books Galore in Coldbrook for all your reading needs. Enjoy the CFUW sale and enjoy all your novel ideas!

IN REVIEW: Recent Events, Happenings and News

By Emily Leeson

On March 12, Terry Pratchett, acclaimed creator of the bestselling Discworld series (and our copy editor's favourite author) passed away. His books have been published in 37 languages and many have been adapted for stage and screen. Pratchett was awarded a knighthood for services to literature in 2009. The final tweet posted on Sir Terry's Twitter account reads "The End".

More than just books: The Annapolis Valley Regional Library is offering Computer Tutorials in Kentville, Kingston, and Port Williams. Book a one-hour slot for personalized assistance with your own equipment, or use theirs. Visit www.valleylibrary.ca/calendar for more information.

April 2 will see the release of Dennis Lee's first new children's collection in more than a decade, *Melvis And Elvis*. This new collection will feature more than thirty new poems. Lee is well-known for his bestseller *Alligator Pie*.

The Acadia University Library system has been partaking in 'Throwback Thursdays', or 'TBT' as those-in-the-know refer to it, via their Facebook page. On March 12, Facebook: Acadia University Library featured an article from *The Athenaeum* circa 1983.

Trying to read local? Valley Family Fun has compiled a list of Valley authors, primarily those geared towards kids. You can start your book list at: valleyfamilyfun.ca/index.php/resources/local-authors

Watch out for a new Dr. Seuss book coming out this summer. Random House Children's Books will publish *What Pet Should I Get?*, a newly discovered unpublished text with illustrations written by Dr. Seuss. Our suggestions: The fish that comes with the dish and a wish, or the dog who likes to jog, even through fog and smog. Or a chicken, named Ralph.

Wolfville School's Lego Robotics Team, Robo Lobo Wired, have been invited to St. Louis, Missouri for the FIRST Lego League (FLL) World Festival in April. They are looking for community support and fundraising at www.wolfvillerobotics.myevent.com

On March 28, Acadia students will take to the streets of Wolfville in their fifth annual March Against Hunger Food Drive! Food and monetary donations will be collected and given to the Wolfville and Area Food Bank, which serves clients in Wolfville, Grand Pre, Greenwich, Gaspereau and Port Williams. Visit Facebook: March Against Hunger Food Drive - 2015 for more info.

SHOW ME YOUR INK

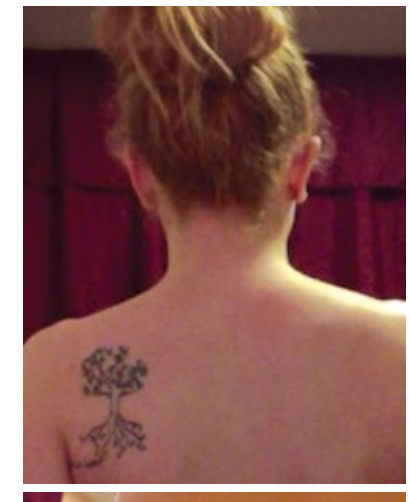
Submitted by Donna Holmes

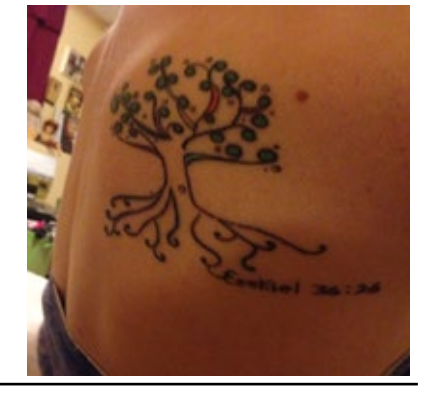
Tattoo Artist: *Tattoo shop in Calgary that no longer exists*

Tattooee: *Natalie Heembrock, Acadia Student*

Natalie drew this tattoo herself and it includes text that reads "Ezekiel 36:26". Natalie doesn't consider herself to be deeply religious, but she did join a youth group at a local church in Calgary, Alberta when she was 13. At that time she had been a very sad and angry person who had closed herself off from the world. The St. Martins Anglican youth group changed all that and became a second family to her. For Natalie, the bible verse referred to in her tattoo reminds her that everyone can change. "I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit in you; I will remove from you your heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh."

Photo Credit: *Donna Holmes*





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HUMANS OF THE ANNAPOLIS VALLEY

"There's pressure from my parents to do better in school. To work harder. To try harder. School's expensive. They act like I don't know that already."

Sarah, 20

Submitted by Linnea Swinimer

FLIGHT OF THE DODO

Submitted by Garry Leeson, Harmony

When my four-year-old son, Brenden, asked me if the airplane we had been building together would really fly, I guess I should have said no. But he was having so much fun dreaming about taking off in the clumsy wooden biplane we had put together out of scrap lumber that I didn't have the heart to tell him it was just for pretend flying.

The craft, when finished, was about five feet long with a wingspan of six feet enclosing a tidy little cockpit just big enough to hold one small boy. There were no controls and all the instruments were just crudely drawn on a cardboard dashboard but that didn't seem to register as a practical detriment to a wide-eyed kid. The idea that he would someday take flight persisted and since we were in the backwoods and isolated from other children, particularly older ones of the sort that liked to debunk things like Santa Claus, there was no one around to dash his hopes.

I had originally planned to mount the airplane on some wheels so I could tow him around while he fantasized about flying but by the time I finished building it, winter had set in so instead I opted for skate runners. We had a fairly big pond behind our house and after the ice became thick enough, I shovelled a series of runways and we took the plane, I had taken to calling it the Dodo, out for some preflight tests. As I spun around dragging him as fast as I could run, I did elicit some giggles and laughs out of him but I could tell that he expected a lot more. He wanted to really fly. I put him off after that first attempt saying that I couldn't get up enough speed myself to make the plane take off but I had another idea.

We had two large dogs, Bussy, a Samoyed and Boo, a mutt Boarder Collie, and they were both broken to harness so I told Brenden that the next day I would hitch the dogs to his plane and maybe they might move him fast enough to get his plane airborne. Actually the dog team normally included a billy goat named Toggle as well, but I didn't think he would do too well on the ice. We had a wonderful time the following day with the dogs yapping and dashing around but once again the Dodo failed to take flight. After the second disappointment I decided that if the project were to continue then I would have to come up with a better solution. Brenden and I were sitting looking out the window on an especially windy day when the idea occurred to me.

"What we need is a sail on your airplane," I said. Not knowing that sails were not standard equipment on aircraft, Brenden immediately agreed. I mounted a mast near the front of his airplane and was planning to use a large sheet of clear plastic as a square sail. We had to delay testing the new improvement for a while because Andrea declared it was time to get some groceries so off we headed to Ilslley's General Store in Aylesford. When we got there the town was all abuzz with the news that a huge nearby cranberry bog was totally frozen over. There were miles of clear ice exposed and everyone was gearing up for a skating party. We headed over to the bog and one look told me that Brenden and I had found our Kitty Hawk. A quick trip back home to load his airplane in our old pickup and we were on the way down the mountain again.

All the kids clustered around us as we unloaded the Dodo and slid her onto the ice. There were those who scoffed but as Brenden settled himself into his seat in the plane, checked his instruments, adjusted his flying helmet and pulled down his goggles (they were actually of the swimming variety!) people could see that he meant business. The wind had come up so I towed the plane a considerable distance out on the ice before I unfurled the sail. When I did, the little craft immediately got away from me, took off and continued to build up speed hurtling its way through crowds of skaters and proceeding for about a half a mile further before the wind changed and directed it to a soft halt in a snow bank.

After catching up with him I decided, in the interest of safety, that I'd better act as co-pilot on subsequent flights. Towing the airplane for about two miles upwind before setting sail again, I found myself a seat on the fuselage behind him before letting Brenden and the wind take over. Over and over again I dragged the little plane back to the starting position and each free ride on the way back seemed more wonderful than the last. We stayed at our game until sunset and then, by the light of a huge bonfire, we loaded the Dodo for its trip home.

Wedged on the truck seat between Andrea and me a sleepy Brenden looked up at me and said, "We really did fly, didn't we, Dad?'

$50,000 MATCHING CHALLENGE!

Submitted by Rose Spicer, Landmark East School

Landmark East School rang in the new year with a big boost to their fundraising efforts. The Johnson Scholarship Foundation confirmed a Matching Grant Partnership with the school for 2015. The Foundation will match, dollar for dollar, all donations to the Landmark East Student Bursary Fund up to a maximum of $50,000.

The Johnson Scholarship Foundation and Landmark East School have a long history of working together to help young people with learning
differences reach their full potential. Over the course of 13 years, the Foundation has invested in excess of $1.65 million in bursary funding and spearheaded a campaign to establish the school's endowment fund.
(www.johnsonscholarshipfoundation.org)

The new matching opportunity will be promoted as an added incentive to inspire giving from long-time supporters and attract new donors in 2015.

FOR THE LOVE OF BOOKS

Submitted by Mitzi Dewolf

So about a hundred years ago I thought, "What am I going to do with my life?" I was working at Canadian Tire in inventory management for my father. I knew that wasn't going to keep me interested for too long. My husband worked for the railroad (we know what happened to that). I had two kids, twins, Cole and Celia. I was in my mid-thirties. Life was… well, life. What could I do?

I loved books (doesn't everyone?) and thought I knew what people would enjoy reading (doesn't everyone?) so I opened a bookstore in Kentville. Imagine my surprise when I realized I knew very little. I had read all the classics, contemporary works, every kind of genre, Robertson Davies, Alice Munro, Margaret Atwood, Stephen Leacock…..etc. etc. I had haunted the libraries and local bookstores, but it wasn't enough! I had no idea what was out there - so very much - and I was missing it.

Having a bookshop was a dream come true. I could order anything I wanted. I could read anything I wanted. I forgot that first, I had to pay for the books; second, I had to get people into the store and sell the books; and third (the really big one), I no longer had time to read. It took me three months to choose something for myself. I was overwhelmed and overworked. I finally selected Douglas Adams' *Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy*. It was a perfect introduction to my new world - funny, irreverent and not too serious.

A couple of years later we bought The Box of Delights Bookshop in Wolfville from Hilary Sircom. Had I realized how quiet Kentville was, I probably wouldn't have continued on my quest. But continue on I did and I'm happy to say that twenty years later, bookselling has afforded my family a living (albeit a meagre one). We've met so many interesting people over the years (customers and staff). My husband Bob and I continue to look to the future, entertaining new ideas regularly. With our soon-to-be new partner and friend, Hilary Drummond, we hope to realize that future… and best of all, I still love books.

HOME IS WHERE YOUR BOOKSHOP IS

Submitted by Hilary Drummond

In 1995, four years after she purchased The Box of Delights Bookshop in Wolfville (from a different Hilary-with-one-"l"), Mitzi DeWolfe hired me to organize the children's section downstairs for a few hours every Saturday. Looking back, I imagine she thought it would be sweet to see a child recommending books to other children, and of course she was absolutely right. What she probably didn't expect was that twenty years later we would go into partnership at the very same bookshop. The previous Hilary being an illustrious bookseller, these recent developments led to the very local neologism "a bookend of Hilarys". But collective nouns are only significant to bibliophiles, and not to be taken seriously.

It was Mitzi who launched me on a career that, though immensely varied, held one continuous narrative thread - books. That is, I see books as both physical and imaginary vessels of storytelling. What I mean to say is, after Mitzi left my teenage self alone every weekend in a room that had both zero actual windows and yet thousands of "windows" into other worlds, I was drawn to any occupation requiring a capacious knowledge of words.

Speaking of words, I use "career" in a loose sense, and it is perhaps more accurate as a composite of "carom" and "veer", which describes perfectly the manner in which I moved between jobs and countries over the years. I wore more hats than Bartholomew Cubbins: researcher, teacher, editor, copywriter, librarian… but most frequent (and most comfortable) was the mantle of bookseller. Over time, six different bookshops have been generous enough to lightly line my pockets. Mr. Mason says that "bookselling is not really a job; it's a vocation" and that "for anyone who might not know the difference between a job and a vocation, a vocation is a job where you don't earn enough to live on". But there is only one bookshop where I feel truly at home, and that is the beautiful Box of Delights.

Photo: James Skinner

"We shall not cease from exploration," wrote Mr. Eliot, "and the end of all our exploring will be to arrive where we started and know the place for the first time". This is a quote that my friends must tire of hearing - I use it so often, but it never ceases to be the truest thing I've ever heard. So if you are a friend (as so many of you readers are), expect to hear it again soon - perhaps even the next time you visit us at the bookshop on Main Street. To my dear friend Tell-Me-A-Mitzi, who is doubtless affectionately rolling her eyes at my boundless enthusiasm, I give thanks for both starting me on this book-lined path and for inviting me to return home. It's not Barcelona, Paris, or Santorini, but it's ours. That being said, we hope that you, dear readers, think of it as yours as well. Treat our little shop the way we've always seen bookshops - as gateways welcoming you to all imagined worlds.

SOME OTHER SHADES

Submitted by Jim Gow, Wolfville

"Writing" proclaims Tristram Shandy, "when properly managed is but a different name for conversation. As no one, who knows what he is about in good company, would venture to talk all;– so no author, who understands the just boundaries of decorum and good breeding, would presume to think all: The truest respect which you can pay to the reader's understanding, is to halve this matter amicably, and leave him something to imagine." In Shandy's case (the postmodern novel published before there was anything modern to be post about), a smorgasbord of oddity is laid before the reader to provoke committed participation, and the effects of our combined banter are ultimately satisfying.

As with any work of art, literature is at its best engaging our imaginations with a journey beyond our selves. An experience simultaneously visceral and ecstatic that broadens the self by enabling it to see through the eyes of another. We read not to confirm our own life and opinions, but to confer with those of others. Especially superheroes! Gilgamesh, Odysseus, Dante and Tintin - entering the mythic world on our winged La-Z-Boy we may begin to soar. "Art is a symbol, because man is a symbol" (Oscar Wilde, writing in prison).

Every age, every moment, relies upon its artists to perform their duty as guides to this other world within us and beyond. To do that they struggle to know, form, and represent timeless media meaningfully now. Authors wrestle with words. Composing East Coker at the beginning of WWII, T.S. Eliot enlists wartime terminology to address the effort and responsibility of writing: "Each venture is a new beginning, a raid on the inarticulate with shabby equipment always deteriorating in the general mess of imprecision of feeling, undisciplined squads of emotion. And what there is to conquer by strength and submission has already been discovered once or twice, or several times, by men whom one cannot hope to emulate – but there is no competition – there is only the fight to recover what has been lost and found and lost again and again." These veterans of the logos too should be saluted, as they themselves acknowledge those who have gone before them.

Reading examples of literature representing and readdressing the fundamentals of human experience we discern common threads linking the authors, an amicable and unavoidable plagiarism of sorts. They know that any idea, pattern or emotion dear to them is not new to the world, so they cannot help but refer to the ongoing conversation that preceded them even as it inhabits their innermost being. The best of these wear their debts openly and as a badge of honour. When criticizing plagiarism, Montaigne plagiarizes; in the preamble to The Anatomy of Melancholy, Robert Burton anticipates his critics' charges of theft, to which he delightfully responds: "I do not deny it, I have only this of Macrobius to say for myself, 'tis all mine and none mine". Unsurprisingly, when Tristram speaks against plagiarism he is pilfering verbatim from Montaigne and Burton. Reading and writing now, in the Annapolis Valley, we are part of the great conversation.

ON READING

Submitted by Kate Andrews-Day

I've been thinking a lot about reading recently - unsurprising given I volunteer at a bookstore, but specifically about the importance of it. For me, reading is more than a pleasure, it's a necessity. I feel the kind of restless anxiety from going too long without reading that most other people feel from a lack of exercise or fresh air. It is a way to recharge and recalibrate my brain, a way to relax. When I open a book, it is a way to enter into the mind of someone else for an hour or two. By stepping back from myself I can see everything from a new perspective.

Books have been a huge part of my life. From *The Very Hungry Caterpillar* and *The Paperbag Princess*, to my discovery of the Beat poets at the age of sixteen and to my recent obsession with modern classics of Australian literature, the books I have chosen to read have shaped my identity, and my life, in very real ways. Without *On the Road*, I never would have found myself living in a bookstore in Paris, on my own, in a foreign country for the first time. Without *A Room of One's Own*, I wouldn't have realised that writing was something I really wanted to do. Without *Out of Africa*, I'm not sure I would have learnt the true meaning of the word fortitude. And if I didn't understand a character's motivation, the emotion behind a lingering gaze, or a long, tense silence, I knew that one day I would. I knew I could return to these worlds and know them differently and better - not because they would change but because I would.

Have you ever read a line in a book and had to look up from the page and take a deep breath, because that sentence, that collection of words printed in black ink on a piece of paper, struck you right in the gut? There is power and magic in that, and there it sits, on your bookshelf, waiting patiently, never aging or diminishing. The key to understanding yourself a little better. A portal into the hearts of the people you love but can't quite relate to sometimes. In this way, books make us feel less alone. They can make us question the path we're on and help us make decisions to understand what we want or need. They can challenge us to change and show us how we can.

I think reading is the most important skill there is. We should read widely and voraciously. We should read everything! Books about places we've never been and perspectives we don't understand; books about people we'll never meet from places we will never go. There is no better way to realise afresh how wonderfully alike we are, and how beautifully diverse too. So, as spring approaches and life gets busier, don't forget to make some time to read. You never know where you might end up.

A FRIGHTENING EXPERIENCE

Submitted by Dorothy Robbins, Wolfville

Perhaps I have led a charmed life or have had someone watching over me – or maybe because I did not marry until late in life and had no children of my own, I have trouble recalling any serious incidents which were really frightening or life changing. When I was only two years old my mother and I were in an accident that could have been very serious but thankfully a major crisis was prevented because of a very calm horse. I remember nothing of the incident except what I have been told and the story goes like this.

We drove from our home at Chipman Corner in a buggy pulled by Babe, our horse, to Kentville. We picked up a family friend en route, Auntie Kitty. As we were passing a garage in town – I think it was in the area where the Drive-Thru Tim Hortons now operates – a man inside the garage was attempting to crank a car. When the car started it began to move, so he jumped into the driver's seat and instead of putting his foot on the brake he hit the accelerator. Of course the car shot backwards into our buggy which, as luck would have it, was just passing.

Apparently the only thing which saved us was that Babe did not panic and take off at a wild speed, but stood calmly as the car hit us. Mother, who was holding the reins was forced out onto the pavement and suffered, what was at that time called, 'water on the knee'. I also fell out of the buggy and received a horseshoe-like cut on my cheek as I hit the curb. I think Auntie Kitty held onto her seat but a dozen eggs held in her lap suffered a smashing defeat!

With blood all over and probably me screaming, I was taken to our own doctor's office (Dr Burns) on west Main Street. He was by no means a surgeon, but cleaned out the dirt as much as possible, put in stitches, and off we went.

I have absolutely no recollection of any of this, nor what happened to the horse and the buggy – I think Dad was called to the rescue, hopefully he was not on the road that day. The scar was quite obvious while I was growing up and although I soon forgot all about it, questions would often be asked as to what had happened. Several people (some of them doctors) told me I should have plastic surgery to repair the scar but to me that seemed quite unnecessary. And now, 90 years later, I can just feel the scar.

Young Dorothy Robbins, late 1920's

Rob Brezsny's FREE WILL ASTROLOGY

Horoscopes for the week of March 19th

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ARIES *(March 21-April 19)*: You're entering a time and space known as the Adlib Zone. In this territory, fertile chaos and inspirational uncertainty are freely available. Improvised formulas will generate stronger mojo than timeworn maxims. Creativity is de rigueur, and street smarts count for more than book-learning. May I offer some mottoes to live by when "common sense" is inadequate? 1. Don't be a slave to necessity. 2. Be as slippery as you can be and still maintain your integrity. 3. Don't just question authority; be thrilled about every chance you get to also question habit, tradition, fashion, trendiness, apathy, and dogma.

TAURUS *(April 20-May 20)*: By 1993, rock band Guns N' Roses had released five successful albums. But on the way to record their next masterpiece, there were numerous delays and diversions. Band members feuded. Some were fired and others departed. Eventually, only one original member remained to bring the task to conclusion with the help of new musicians. The sixth album, Chinese Democracy, finally emerged in 2008. I'm seeing a similarity between Guns N' Roses' process and one of your ongoing projects, Taurus. The good news is that I think most of the hassles and delays are behind you, or will be if you act now. You're primed to make a big push toward the finish line.

GEMINI *(May 21-June 20)*: The anonymous blogger at Neurolove.me gives advice on how to love a Gemini: "Don't get impatient with their distractibility. Always make time for great conversation. Be understanding when they're moody. Help them move past their insecurities, and tell them it's not their job to please everyone. Let them have space but never let them be lonely." I endorse all that good counsel, and add this: "To love Geminis, listen to them attentively, and with expansive flexibility. Don't try to force them to be consistent; encourage them to experiment at uniting their sometimes conflicting urges. As best as you can, express appreciation not just for the parts of them that are easy to love but also for the parts that are not yet ripe or charming." Now feel free, Gemini, to show this horoscope to those whose affection you want.

CANCER *(June 21-July 22)*: You have recently been to the mountaintop, at least metaphorically. Right? You wandered out to the high frontier and ruminated on the state of your fate from the most expansive vista you could find. Right? You have questioned the limitations you had previously accepted, and you have weaned yourself from at least one of your devitalizing comforts, and you have explored certain possibilities that had been taboo. Right? So what comes next? Here's what I suggest: Start building a new framework or structure or system that will incorporate all that you've learned during your break.

LEO *(July 23-Aug. 22)*: According to the international code of food standards, there are 13 possible sizes for an olive. They include large, extra large, jumbo, extra jumbo, giant, colossal, super colossal, mammoth, and super mammoth. If I had my way, Leo, you would apply this mind-set to everything you do in the coming weeks. It's time for you to think very big. You will thrive as you expand your mind, stretch your boundaries, increase your territory, amplify your self-expression, magnify your focus, and broaden your innocence.

VIRGO *(Aug. 23-Sept. 22)*: "Half the troubles of this life can be traced to saying yes too quickly and not saying no soon enough," proclaimed humorist Josh Billings. That's an exaggeration made for comic effect, of course. (And I think that some of life's troubles also come from saying no too much and not saying yes enough.) But for you, Virgo, Billings' advice will be especially pertinent in the coming weeks. In fact, my hypothesis is that you will be able to keep your troubles to a minimum and boost your progress to a maximum by being frugal with yes and ample with no.

LIBRA *(Sept. 23-Oct. 22)*: Your mind says, "I need more room to move. I've got to feel free to experiment." Your heart says, "I think maybe I need more commitment and certainty." Your astrologer suggests, "Be a bit more skeptical about the dream lover who seems to be interfering with your efforts to bond with the Real Thing." I'm not sure which of these three sources you should heed, Libra. Do you think it might somehow be possible to honor them all? I invite you to try.

SCORPIO *(Oct. 23-Nov. 21)*: "Without your wound where would your power be?" asked writer Thornton Wilder. "The very angels themselves cannot persuade the wretched and blundering children on earth as can one human being broken on the wheels of living." Let's make that one of your ongoing meditations, Scorpio. I think the coming weeks will be an excellent time to come to a greater appreciation for your past losses. What capacities has your suffering given birth to? What failures have made you stronger? What crucial lessons and unexpected benefits have emerged from your sadness and madness?

SAGITTARIUS *(Nov. 22-Dec. 21)*: "Creating is not magic but work," says Kevin Ashton, author of the book How to Fly a Horse: The Secret History of Creation, Invention, and Discovery. In other words, inspiration is a relatively small part of the creative process. Over the long haul, the more important factors are self-discipline, organized thinking, hard work, and attention to detail. And yet inspiration isn't irrelevant, either. Brainstorms and periodic leaps of insight can be highly useful. That's a good reminder as you enter a phase when you're likely to be more imaginative and original than usual. I expect creative excitement to be a regular visitor.

CAPRICORN *(Dec. 22-Jan. 19)*: The fictional detective Sherlock Holmes was a good Capricorn, born January 6, 1854. In the course of Arthur Conan Doyle's 60 stories about his life, he revealed his exceptional talent as an analytical thinker. His attention to details was essential to his success, and so was his expertise at gathering information. He did have a problem with addictive drugs, however. Morphine tempted him now and then, and cocaine more often, usually when he wasn't feeling sufficiently challenged. Let this serve as a gentle warning, Capricorn. In the coming weeks, seek more relaxation and downtime than usual. Focus on recharging your psychic batteries. But please be sure that doesn't cause you to get bored and then dabble with self-sabotaging stimuli.

AQUARIUS *(Jan. 20-Feb. 18)*: English is my first language. Years ago there was a time when I spoke a lot of French with my Parisian girlfriend, but my skill faded after we broke up. So I'm not bilingual in the usual sense. But I do have some mastery in the language of music, thanks to my career as a singer-songwriter. Having raised a daughter, I also learned to converse in the language of children. And I've remembered and worked with my nightly dreams every day for decades, so I speak the language of dreams. What about you, Aquarius? In the coming weeks, I bet you'll be challenged to make more extensive use of one of your second languages. It's time to be adaptable and resourceful in your approach to communication.

PISCES *(Feb. 19-March 20)*: Do you need a reason to think sharper and work smarter and try harder? I'll give you four reasons. 1. Because you're finally ready to get healing for the inner saboteur who in the past has undermined your confidence. 2. Because you're finally ready to see the objective truth about one of your self-doubts, which is that it's a delusion. 3. Because you're finally ready to stop blaming an adversary for a certain obstacle you face, which means the obstacle will become easier to overcome. 4. Because you're finally ready to understand that in order to nurture and hone your ample creativity, you have to use it to improve your life on a regular basis.

Homework: See what you can do to influence an institution that influences you. Report results at FreeWillAstrology.com.`

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1. What was the first book printed by movable type?
2. When is the earliest that mnemonic symbols were written?
3. What was early parchment made from?
4. Who began making the first books in the 1st century BC?
5. What was the first book printed in English?

ANSWERS:

1. Gutenberg Bible, 2. 7th millennium BC, 3. Animal skin, 4. The Romans, 5. The Recuyell of the Histories of Troye

TIDE PREDICTIONS at Cape Blomidon

Source: Canadian Fisheries & Oceans. www.waterlevels.gc.ca

MAR	High	Low
19	12:33pm	6:43pm
20	1:23pm	7:32pm
21	*2:11pm	7:56am
22	2:59pm	8:44am
23	3:48pm	9:32am
24	4:38pm	10:21am
25	5:30pm	11:12am
26	6:26pm	12:06pm
27	7:25pm	1:05pm
28	7:52am	2:06pm
29	8:53am	3:08pm
30	**9:53am	4:07pm
31	10:47am	4:59pm
APR	**High**	**Low**
01	11:36am	5:46pm
02	12:19pm	6:27pm

there are normally two high and low tides a day

* Highest High: 45.9 feet ** Lowest High: 36.4 feet

LOCAL LYRICS LOTTO

Submitted by Donna Holmes

Identify the song and songwriter(s) of the lyric fragment below. YOU COULD WIN A FREE CD from the artist(s). Our most recent winners, Stew & Deb Harris, correctly guessed the last Local Lyrics Lotto answer was 'The Woodstove' by Andy & Ariana and they won a copy of their CD.

THIS WEEK'S LYRIC FRAGMENT:

Will the winter never end
Snow keeps fall-falling down
Be nice to see the sun again
Feel the green grass on the ground

Don't know the name of this song or who wrote it? Look for the answer printed somewhere (upside down) in THIS issue of the Grapevine. Email your answers to donna@grapevinepublishing.ca by Friday, April 10, 2015 at NOON. The winning submission (chosen randomly from all correct answers submitted by deadline) will be contacted by email and listed in our next issue along with the next set of Local Lyrics.

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ACADIA PERFORMING ARTS SERIES PRESENTS
Christine Tassan et les Imposteures

Submitted by Peter Smith, peter.smith@acadiau.ca

The Acadia Performing Arts Series presents Christine Tassan et les Imposteures on Saturday, March 21 at 7:30pm at Acadia University's Festival Theatre (504 Main St., Wolfville). The quartet is Christine Tassan, guitar; Lise-Anne Ross, guitar; Martine Gaumond, violin; and Blanche Baillargeon, bass.

Tireless explorers of the Gypsy Jazz world, this original four-woman band offers a new show that sparkles with invigorating ingredients - subtle harmonies and modern inflections mixed with a tangy jazz base, an assortment of brilliant songs, a pinch of Cuban flavours, a hint of Argentine tango, a dash of poetry, and a great deal of comic charm. What a wonderful way to welcome spring!

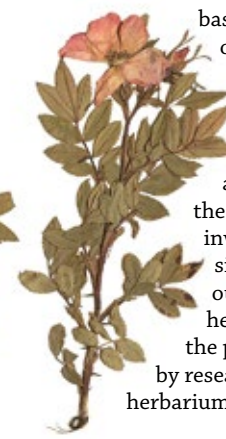
The group's tour of Eastern Canada was coordinated by the Atlantic Presenters Association of Charlottetown. Tickets are $26 for adults, $20 for students. For more information or to buy tickets, visit the Acadia University Box Office in person, by phone at 542-5500 or 1-800-542-TICK(8425), or online at http://boxoffice.acadiau.ca.

WHAT'S GROWING AT THE HARRIET IRVING BOTANICAL GARDENS:
Preserved Plants

Submitted by Melanie Priesnitz, Harriet Irving Botanical Gardens

Did you know that Acadia University has the largest herbarium in Atlantic Canada? The E.C. Smith Herbarium at the KC Irving Environmental Science Centre contains over 200,000 preserved specimens, including vascular plants, bryophytes, lichens and fungi. Collections date back to the 1800s with new additions each year. Herbaria serve as museums and contain permanent plant records, providing researchers valuable data on geographic range, biodiversity, plant identification and classification.

The E.C. Smith Herbarium was the first Canadian herbarium to have a digital database with scanned images of the collection. These scanned records can be viewed on our website. This is an invaluable tool for researchers, botanists and naturalists all over the world. The public are invited to visit the website and search through our digital archives. The herbarium itself is closed to the public and can be accessed by researchers upon request at herbarium.acadiau.ca.



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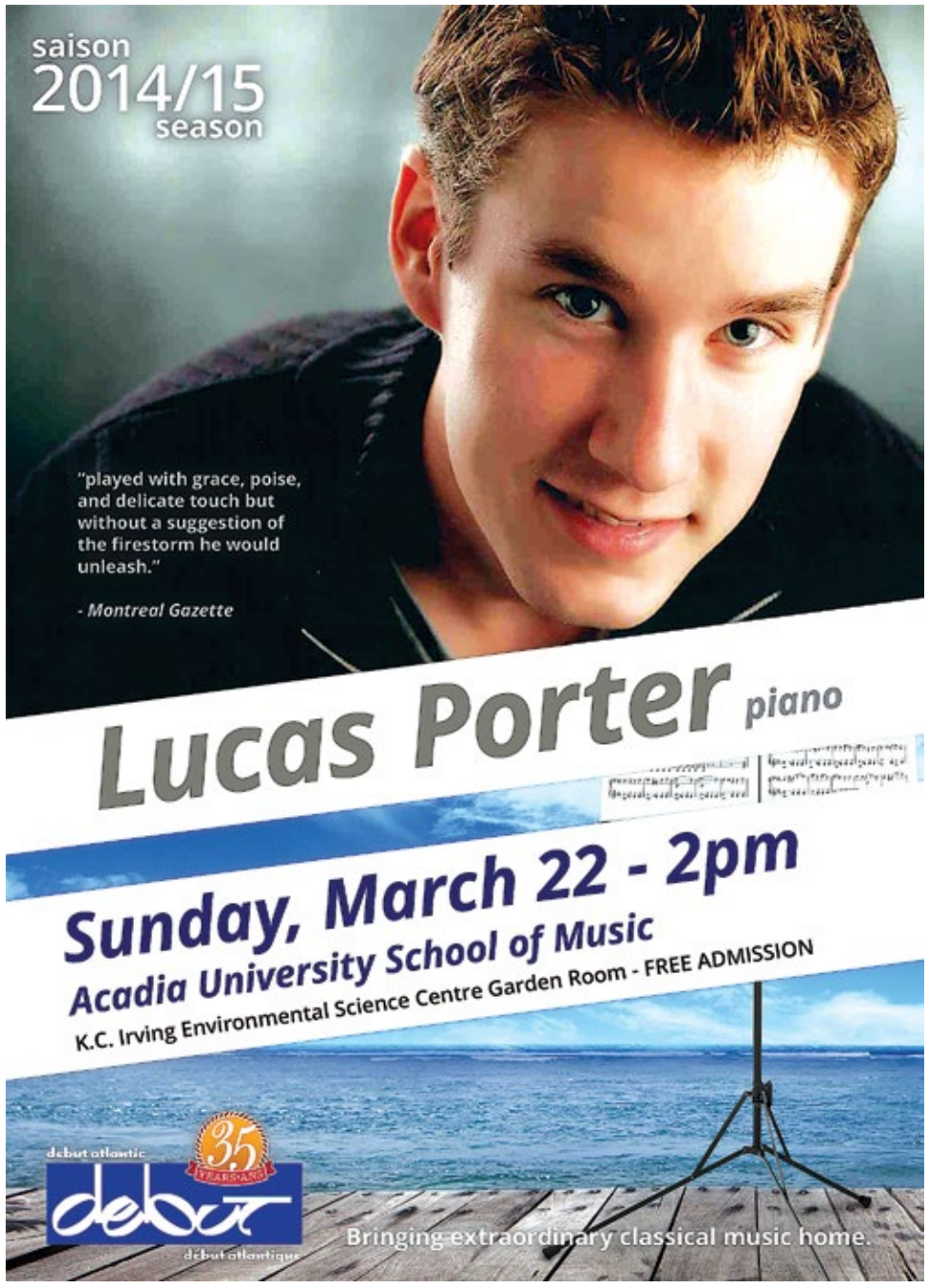

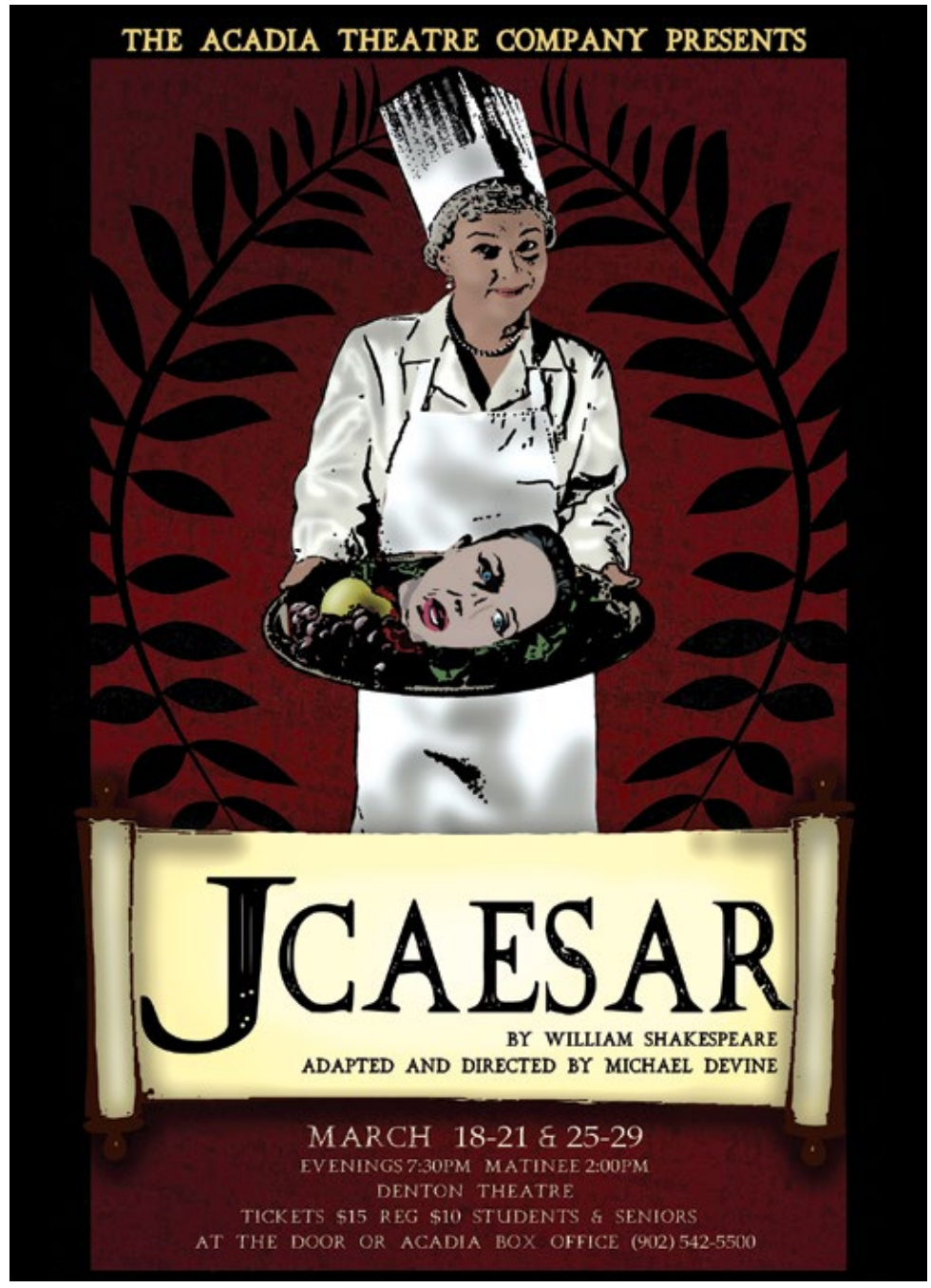

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The WHO'S WHO:

Kings Kikima Grannies – Go Grannies Go!

Mike Butler

I've lived on Chestnut Avenue in Wolfville for over ten years and one of the highlights has been my annual yard sale which usually takes place on the same day as the annual Kings Kikima Grannies huge yard sale (just a few doors up on the same street). Last year, their sale moved in to town and I was alone on Chestnut. It was much quieter that day - on Chestnut that is - but the town was abuzz with the Grannies sale, and they raised a bundle for their very important causes. It's hard to believe, that in the four years I've been writing for the Grapevine, that I haven't yet had the Grannies as my subject matter for a Who's Who profile. All good things happen at the right moment I guess. Here, now, are the Kings Kikima Grannies!

I know, I know... who hasn't heard of these tremendous women? But the hows, whys, and achievements of their organization bears repeating (for those who know them and as an introduction to a new audience). The Kings Kikima Grannies group was founded in 2008 as a result of a documentary presented by a Grannie organization in Wakefield, Quebec. This group was supporting grandmothers and grandchildren in Sub-Saharan Africa. The children's parents had died from HIV/Aids and the Kings Grannies made the decision to make a commitment to a group of grannies in a similar situation.

The incomparable Wendy Elliott connected the Kings group with Ruth Kyatha in Kikima Village, Kenya. Ruth and her family had lived in Wolfville during the 1980s while Ruth attended Acadia University. She returned to her village with the hope of improving life in her community. When Wendy contacted her, she responded with great enthusiasm and thus began a relationship between the Kings Grannies and 27 grandmothers (Gogos in Swahili) and their 68-orphaned grandchildren in Kikima, Kenya. The Kings Grannies are an extremely busy lot of ladies with much on the go to raise money for their "grandchildren".

In 2008, the Kikima part of Kenya was suffering from a long drought. The Gogos had to make a decision between food and school. School requires tuition, uniforms, and supplies but they needed food to survive! The Kings Grannies provided food relief for the next year and a half and eventually, as the funds allowed, money was sent for education, as well.

Ruth came in 2009 to visit family and the Kings Grannies. She spoke to local groups, including the Rotary Club of Wolfville. They were so impressed with the tenacity of this woman that they donated funds for her to purchase 27 goats for the Gogos. The goats have now increased in number to 40 and have made a great difference to the wellbeing of these families. Would that make them Grannies' Nannies? (As in Nanny Goats?)

There is no water source nearby for the Gogos to access. Many of these elderly women needed to walk 6km for dirty water. In 2012, with support from the local community and the Rotary Club of Kentville, the Kings Grannies were able to provide enough funds for 27 Ken tanks to capture rain water. The Gogos provided sweat equity by constructing a concrete base for them. As a result of the tanks, water-borne diseases have diminished in the community and the overall heath has improved. This was an unexpected but very welcome bonus for all. Also, through the generosity of one Gogo and her grandson, land was donated to dig a water reservoir which serves a portion of the community. A Water Commission was established to oversee the construction. This is a beautiful example of two communities on either side of the world coming together for a common goal and benefiting all parties involved.

Of course, all these good deeds cost money. The Kings Grannies are committed to seeing that all the Kikima children become self-sufficient with an emphasis on education. With 25 now in high school, 4 in community college and the rest in elementary school, the Grannies are hard at work to keep funds coming in for their kids. The Kings Grannies would like to fundraise themselves out of a job and it can be done with your help. Monies are raised through their sales of donated, previously-loved jewelry, and their annual yard sale.

The next jewelry sale will be held on March 27 at the Wong International Centre (corner of Highland Ave & Acadia St) in Wolfville from 9am to 4pm. The Grannies will also be selling jewelry at the next Women of Wolfville production in April (in the Festival Theatre lobby). And their big annual yard sale (that once took place alongside mine on Chestnut) will be held at the Wolfville Lions Hall on June 6 (8am to 2pm). If you have any articles you would like to donate for the event, please drop them off at the Lions Hall on Friday, June 5 between 9am and 6pm.

The Kings Kikima Grannies, and the Gogos and grandchildren of Kikima, wish to thank all those who have supported them over the last SEVEN years. With your help, and with the Grannies hard work and determination, lives have been changed. For more information about the Grannies organization, donation drops-offs, or upcoming events etc., please contact Betsy Baillie at 902-542-7591 or Nancy Henry at 902-678-7947. Go Grannies Go!

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RE-IMAGINING THE KENTVILLE LIBRARY

by Genevieve Allen Hearn

The new Halifax Central Library has ushered in a new era of library functionality in Nova Scotia. It is a perfect example of how libraries are evolving and offering communities more than just a place to read and borrow books. A visit to the Central Library will introduce you to a community hub model that includes a performance space, private meeting rooms, recording studios, computer labs, cafes, a First Nations circle, and play areas, among other amenities.

Libraries serve many functions in the community: a welcoming centre for newcomers, a place to enhance computer literacy skills, a safe space for educational programming, and a venue for author readings, gallery exhibits, and workshops. The Annapolis Valley Regional Library interim CEO, Lorraine McQueen, playfully describes libraries as 'the new pub'.

Lucky for us, we have an opportunity to apply this contemporary consciousness to a local project – the new Kentville Library!

Not only has the Kentville Library outgrown its current space, but the building is also slated to be demolished in order to create space for a bridge expansion over the Cornwallis River in 2016. The Kentville Library has experienced a dramatic increase of 63% more registered library users in the past five years and is one of the busiest branches in the Annapolis Valley. Kentville is looking to double the square footage of the library, as well as offer features to reinforce the library's role as a community anchor.

The now disbanded Friends of the Kentville Public Library Society put a tremendous amount of work into a new construction proposal. They spent six years consulting with the community, raising funds, and working with a reputable architecture firm to draw up plans for a new facility. However, this proposed project was turned down. In spite of this, former members of the Friends of the Kentville Public Library Society have remained hopeful. Past Chair, Frances Schagen stated, "It's been frustrating that we haven't been able to get all the pieces to align yet, but I am hopeful that knowing we all want the same things: a vibrant, diverse, forward-thinking Town. We will get there."

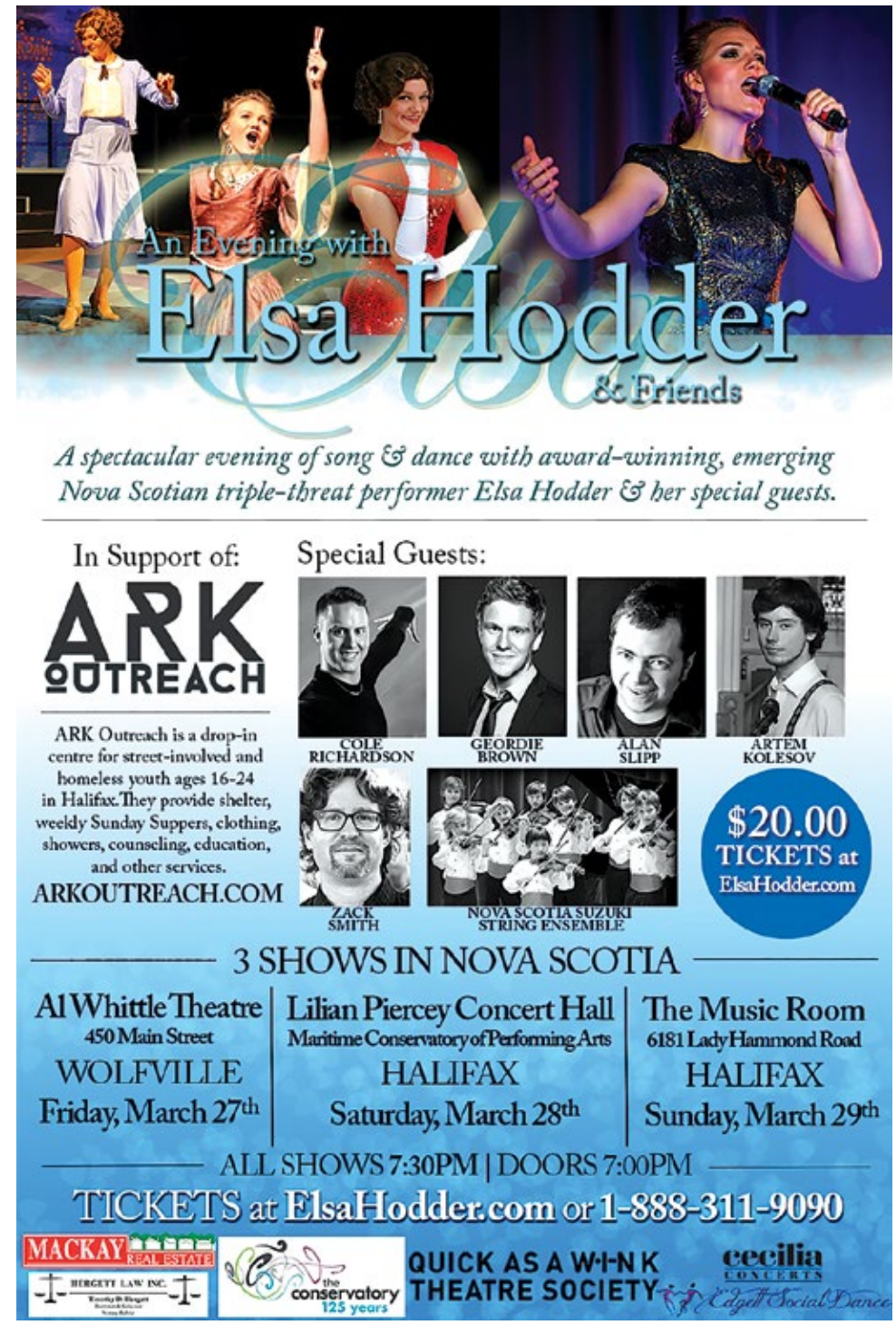
A second request for library space proposals, initiated by the Town of Kentville, closed in October, 2014. A selection committee, comprised of Town staff, representatives from the Annapolis Valley Regional Library, the Branch Manager of The Kentville Library and representatives of the Kentville Town Council has narrowed proposals down to two bids. "The challenge with the proposals," stated Lindsay

Young, Community Development Coordinator of Kentville, "is that we aren't comparing apples to apples. Each proposal offers something totally different." Despite continuous delays, it looks like the Town of Kentville will be adding one more element to the mix that will likely result in a further postponement of plans. Mayor David Corkum announced on Friday, March 11 that the Town of Kentville is interested in housing the Annapolis Valley Regional Library's main offices.

Meanwhile, patrons of the Kentville Library have growing concerns. "We have people asking us every day when the new library will be announced, and whether there will even be a library in Kentville at all," stated Kentville's Branch Manager, Julie Johnson. Johnson sees the Kentville library as being a community space that is welcoming and inclusive. The One Nova Scotia report urges communities in Nova Scotia to find ways to be more welcoming to newcomers and recent immigrants. Increasingly, libraries are recognized as a way that towns can address this important social responsibility.

As plans currently stand, there is no answer on when the space for the new Kentville Library will be announced, and when residents can expect to enjoy the new facility. Johnson would like to see a recommendation be approved sooner than later. "The more time we have to plan for a new library," she stated, "the smoother the transition will be and the less time we will have to close our facilities."

Ultimately, the final decision rests with Kentville Town Council. Council has already halted progress once by claiming they were not ready to approve a final recommendation from the library selection committee. There is also the issue of funding. A larger and more functional library cannot operate with the same budget as the current library. Kentville has an opportunity to learn from the Halifax Central Library's community hub model. In light of the latest information, which could affect both timing and design of the new library, readers may want to share with Kentville Town Council what they would value in a new library.



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A conversation with Susan & Jim Johnson of Rainbow's End Books & Discs

When did you open?
Fall 2009

Why did you open in Wolfville?
We looked at places from Kentville to here and this was the best location at the time for the price of rent and the fact that the university was here.

What is found in your store? What's most popular?
We sell: books, comic books, manga, graphic novels, sport and non-sport cards, toys, records, CD's, DVD's, BluRay's, board games, video games. The most popular items seem to depend on the day, these days it seems to be POP heads.

What about books and reading material? What gems do you have?
We have tons of books from fiction to non-fiction and, as mentioned, comic books. Once we had a book of prints from the Hobbit anime that was done years ago. With books, the gems are the ones that you can't put down and the ones that you return to again and again…like old friends.

Who are some of your favourite authors?
I really like historical fiction so I like authors like: Sabrina Jefferies, Hannah Howell etc. I also enjoy science fantasy authors: Madeline L'Engle, Anne McCaffery. I also like Jane Austin

What's the last book you've read?
All About Love by Stephanie Laurens

Do you also trade and buy used items?
Yes. Bring in your used items and we'll have a look at them.

In an attempt to remain positive, what's the best thing about March snowfalls?
They melt quicker than February snowfalls! LOL

What's your favourite Easter gift?
I love spending time with my family and remembering how blessed I am.

What's the best deal in Rainbow's End? Why should people stop in?
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WOLFVILLE'S BUSINESS BUZZ

In response to the Town's decision to dramatically reduce funding, the WBDC is:

- Reviewing its financial and contractual obligations to ensure its commitments are met.
- Determining, in consultation with members, the best path forward so it can continue to serve Wolfville's business interests.
- Working with its winery partners to ensure the viability and continued success of the Wolfville Magic Winery Bus.

It is worthy to note that the Town issued their press release with no advance notice to the WBDC and given the long standing, cooperative relationship with the Town this news came with great disappointment.

WBDC has had an accomplished history serving the business interests of Wolfville since 1980 and will continue to support the sustainability and growth of business in Wolfville.

Recent Marketing and Promotional Activities:

- March edition of Atlantic Business Magazine contains a three-page feature on Wolfville.
- Wolfville and the Magic Winery Bus were recently featured at a Maritime tourism industry gala dinner in Halifax.
- A full page destination attraction feature will be published in *Starboard* Magazine for the Nova Star ferry.
- Nova Scotia Tourism will be featuring Wolfville and the Wolfville Magic Winery Bus in its 2015 digital media campaign targeting the New England states.
- *Local Connections Halifax* will be featuring Wolfville in its May Wine & Travel issue.

WBDC Annual General Meeting:

- Date has been tentatively set for Thursday, May 21st.
- Board is seeking nominations from interested volunteers for the 2015-2016 year

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THE BOX OF DELIGHTS BOOKSHOP PRESENTS...

ACADIA UNIVERSITY'S SOCIAL AND POLITICAL THOUGHT PROGRAM PRESENTS

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A community discussion series exploring diverse perspectives on culture, the environment, politics, economics, gender, and more.

Unfortunately, the talk scheduled for 22 March has been cancelled.

We will return after Easter on 19 April with Mallory Amirault speaking about Performing Performativity: Arbitrary Spaces of Gender Protocols.

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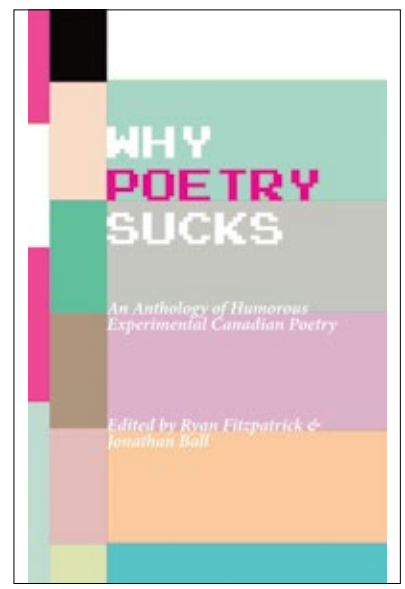
WHY POETRY SUCKS:

AN ANTHOLOGY OF HUMOROUS EXPERIMENTAL CANADIAN POETRY

Edited by Ryan Fitzpatrick & Jonathan Ball

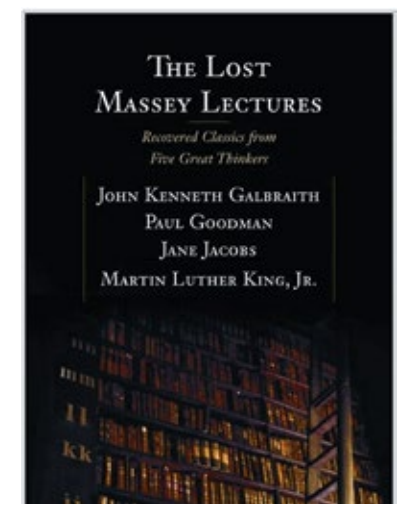


"Experimental Poetry" may not be your cup of tea, but wait, there's something in this highly entertaining anthology for everyone – from ardent poetry fans to those who just like a laugh. This collection of poems from contemporary Canadian poets is funny, incisive, and politically subversive, and it rejects the stereotype that a poem must be serious and sombre in order to achieve its goal. The perfect gift for someone who thinks "poetry sucks".

THE LOST MASSEY LECTURES:

RECOVERED CLASSICS FROM FIVE GREAT THINKERS

John Kenneth Galbraith, Paul Goodman, Jane Jacobs, Eric W. Kierans, and Martin Luther King, Jr



The published CBC Massey Lectures are always highly anticipated bestsellers at the Box of Delights. Unfortunately, many of the finest lectures from years gone past are unavailable to the public - out of print or unpublished. This book brings together five of these lectures in print for the first time, exploring a diverse range of issues including race and prejudice, economics and poverty, and Canadian cities and Quebec separatism. Issues that are still, regrettably, hugely relevant to us today.

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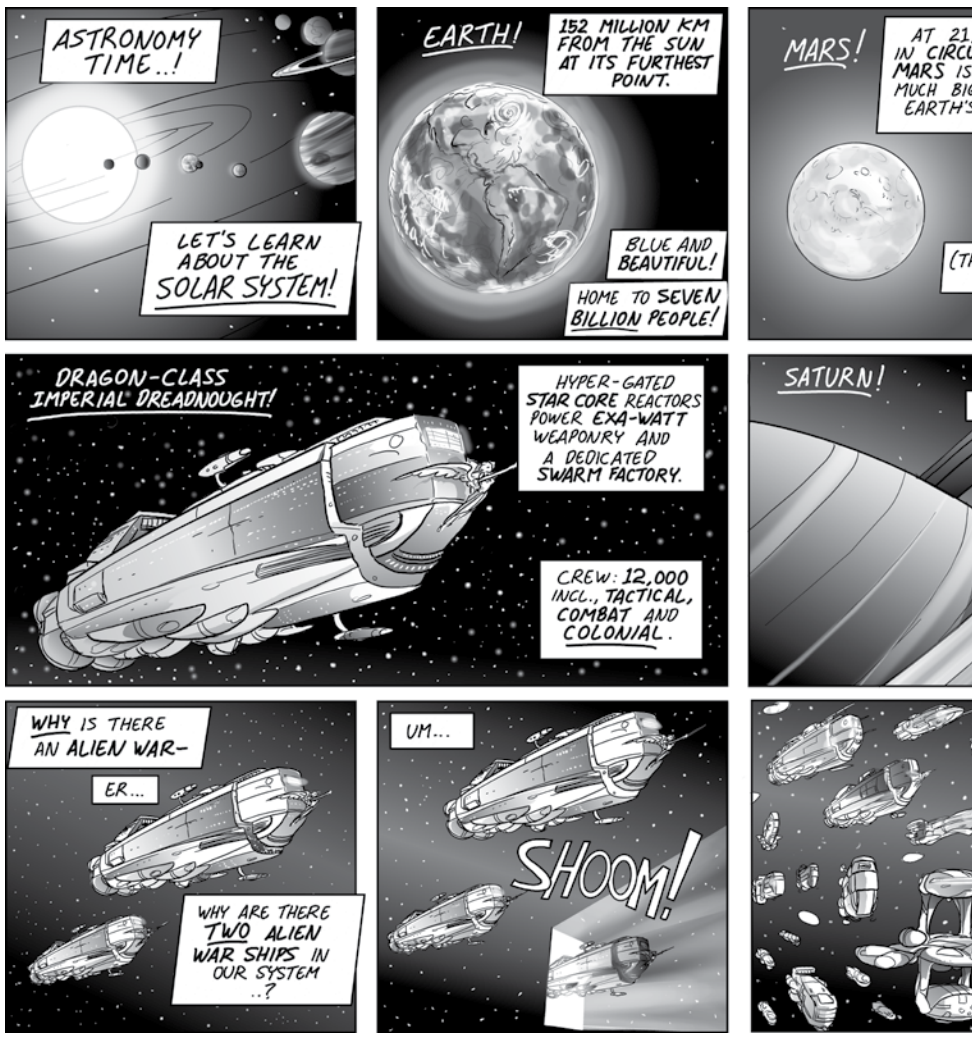

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The Skeleton Twins
Sunday, March 22: 4 & 7 p.m.

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Wednesday, March 2 7 p.m.

Gemma Bovery
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WORD!

by Donna Holmes

Across

4. The Oxford English Dictionary is said to be the most comprehensive one of this language.

11. Pneumonoultramicroscopicsilicovolcanoconiosis is the longest English word to be found in either of the Webster's or Oxford Dictionaries. It has ___ letters and is a disease of the lungs.

12. The Canadian Oxford Dictionary contains about 300,000 entries including aprox. 2,200 true ___ (words or terms used only in Canada).

13. Canadianism #1: term used by Canadian meteorologists to reflect the combined effect of heat and humidty.

14. Canadianism #2: often refers to an uncouth, beer-swilling person and was coined by Bob & Doug McKenzie.

15. Canadianism #3: term used to order a cup of coffee with two measures of cream and two of sugar, usually at Tim Hortons.

Down

1. Canadianism #4: the word for french fries topped with cheese curds and gravy.

2. A book of synonyms.

3. Scrabble Dictionary words must not require capitalization, be hyphenated, nor be an ___.

5. Four two-___ words were added to the new Scrabble dictionary. They are da, gi, po, and te.

6. A favourite 'time' at the Annapolis Valley Regional Library (www.valleylibrary.ca).

7. The Official Scrabble Players ___ was updated, for the first time in a decade, last summer.

8. Canadianism #5: case of 24 beers in Ontario.

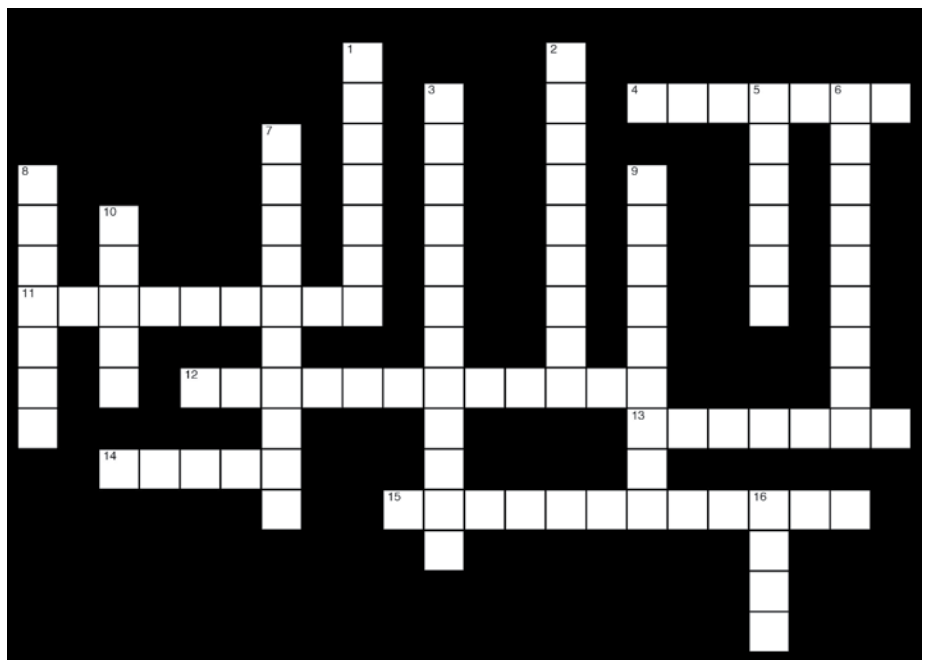
9. The Canadian Oxford Dictionary was _ in 1998.

10. 5000 new ___ were added to the 2014 edition of the Official Scrabble Players Dictionary.

16. Speaking of words, the Grand Pre Women's Institute is holding a (gently used) ___ Sale on March 21 at the Horton Community Centre.

***Local Lyrics Lotto* ANSWER**

'Winter Song' by Caleb Miles



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THURSDAYS:

Edible Art Cafe *(New Minas): Ron Edmunds Band (19th, 26th, 2nd) 12pm-2pm*

Troy Restaurant *(Wolfville): Ian Brownstein & Friends (19th, 26th, 2nd) 6pm*

Just Us! Cafe *(Wolfville): Open Mic (19th, 26th, 2nd) 6:30-8pm*

Cocoa Pesto *(Windsor): Adam Cameron (19th, 26th, 2nd) 7pm*

Spitfire Arms Alehouse *(Windsor): Jam Session (19th, 26th, 2nd) 7-11pm*

Tommy Gun's *(Windsor): Meredith McCulloch (19th, 26th, 2nd) 7-11pm*

Dooly's *(New Minas): Dooly's Karaoke "Molson Idol" w/Margie Brown Duo (19th, 26th, 2nd) 8pm*

Paddy's Pub *(Kentville): The Hupman Brothers (19th, 26th, 2nd) 9pm*

Paddy's Pub *(Wolfville): Trivia Night (19th, 26th, 2nd) 9pm*

Library Pub *(Wolfville): Alex and Riley (19th, 26th, 2nd) 9pm*

Anvil *(Wolfville): Top 40 DJ C-Bomb (19th, 26th, 2nd) 10pm*

FRIDAYS:

Edible Art Cafe *(New Minas): Carl Boutilier (20th, 27th) 12-2pm*

Pete's Fine Foods *(Wolfville): Mat Elliot & Cailun Campbell (20th, 27th) 5:30pm*

King's Arms Pub by Lew Murphy's *(Kentville): Shawn Hebb (20th), Guy Paul Thibault (27th) 5:30pm*

Blomidon Inn *(Wolfville): Jazz Mannequins (20th, 27th) 6:30-9:30pm*

Joe's Food Emporium *(Wolfville): Mark Riley & Bernie Zinck Duo (20th), TBA (27th) 8pm*

Union Street Cafe *(Berwick): Open Mic w/Jason Burns & Darcy Smith (20th), Open Mic w/Scotty Marsters & Dewey Dunnington (27th) 8pm*

Spitfire Arms Alehouse *(Windsor): George Carter Trio (20th), Tim Vallillee & The Likes Of Us (27th) 8pm*

West Side Charlie's *(New Minas): DJ Lethal Noize (20th), DJ Billy T (27th) 10pm*

SATURDAYS:

Farmers Market *(Wolfville): Jack McDonald & Dennis Robinson (21st), Saltgrass (28th) 10am*

Edible Art Cafe *(New Minas): John Tetrault (21st, 28th) 12pm-2pm*

Spitfire Arms Alehouse *(Windsor): Darren Arsenault (21st), Adam Cameron (28th) 8pm*

Union Street Cafe *(Berwick): Thom Swift (28th) 8pm*

King's Arms Pub by Lew Murphy's *(Kentville): Tracey Clements Band (21st), Broke with Money (28th) 8:30pm*

West Side Charlie's *(New Minas): Vintage (21st) 3-7pm, DJ Billy T (21st) 10pm, Kings Of Delusions (28th) 3pm, DJ Lethal Noize (28th) 10pm*

Paddy's Pub *(Wolfville): Tristan Legg (21st), Layne Greene Band (28th) 9pm*

Library Pub *(Wolfville): Dan McFadyen (21st, 28th) 9pm*

Tommy Gun's *(Windsor): DJ Shorty P, $3 (21st), Montana, $10 (28th) 9:30pm-1:30am*

SUNDAYS:

Blomidon Garden Centre *(Greenwich): Johanne McInnis Trio (22nd, 29th) 11am*

Pete's Fine Foods *(Wolfville): Mat Elliot & Cailun Campbell (22nd, 29th) 1pm*

Tommy Gun's *(Windsor): Open Mic Jam Session (22nd, 29th) 3-6pm*

Paddy's Pub *(Wolfville): Paddy's Irish Session (22nd, 29th) 8pm*

MONDAYS:

Edible Art Cafe *(New Minas): Carl Boutilier (23rd, 30th) 12pm-2pm*

Paddy's Pub *(Wolfville): Open Mic w/Andy & Ariana (23rd), w/The Hupman Brothers (30th) 8pm*

TUESDAYS:

Edible Art Cafe *(New Minas): Carl Boutilier (24th, 31st) 12pm-3pm*

Spitfire Arms Alehouse *(Windsor): Trivia Nights, $2 (24th, 31st) 7pm*

Paddy's Pub *(Kentville): Irish Jam Session (24th, 31st) 8pm*

T.A.N. Coffee *(Wolfville): Open Mic w/Donna Holmes (24th, 31st) 8-10pm*

WEDNESDAYS:

Edible Art Cafe *(New Minas): Steve Lee & Ian Brownstein (25th, 1st) 12pm-3pm*

West Side Charlie's *(New Minas): Billy T's Karaoke (25th, 1st) 10pm*

Weekly Events

PLEASE NOTE: Event information may change without notice

Thursdays

Babies & Books – Wolfville Memorial Library 10–11am. Newborn to 2 years. ***INFO:*** 542-5760 / valleylibrary.ca

Brown Bag Lunch – Fountain Learning Commons, Great Hall, Wolfville 12–1pm. ***March 26 Speaker:*** Marilyn Cameron Topic: No Farms, No Food. ***April 2 Speaker:*** TBA Topic: TBA Special Location: Seminary House Room 242 (main floor). ***TIX:*** no charge ***INFO:*** 585-1434 / allinfo@acadiau.ca / all.openacadia.ca

In the Round Knitting Group – Gaspereau Valley Fibres 1–4:30pm. Also Tuesdays 6–9pm. ***INFO:*** 542-2656 / gaspereauvalleyfibres.ca

Seniors' Afternoon Out – Wickwire Place, Wolfville 1:30–4:30pm. Social afternoon with peers. Also Tuesdays 1:30–4:30pm. ***FEE:*** $5 ***INFO:*** Robin, 698-6309

Yoga – White Rock Community Centre, 6:30–7:30pm. ***FEE:*** $2 drop in fee ***INFO:*** 542-3109 / dianneandjohn@eastlink.ca

Introductions – An Open Mic – Just Us! Cafe, Wolfville, 6:60–8pm. Come listen to or share songs, slams, or stories. ***FEE:*** no charge ***INFO:*** kathy@justuscoffee.com

AVD Clubhouse: Walking Club – Wolfville based, locations vary, 6:30–8pm. Offered through the Canadian Mental Health Association, Kings Branch. ***FEE:*** no charge ***INFO:*** 670-4103 / club@cmhakings.ns.ca

Boardgame Night – C@P Lab, Wolfville Public Library, 7pm. Bring your games! Ages 12+ ***FEE:*** no charge. ***INFO:*** 790-4536 / turpin56@gmail.com

Adult Ceilidh Fitness – Community Hall, Greenwich 7–8pm • A fun hour of simple steps and sensational music! The class is capped at 16 participants so ensure your place TODAY! ***TIX:*** $50 for 8 weeks, $10 drop-in fee ***INFO:*** 582-1786 / info@webstersdance.com

Fridays

Bookworms Storytime – Port Williams Library, 10:30am. Stories, games, songs and fun for kids aged 3-5. ***TIX:*** no charge ***INFO:*** 542-3005 / valleylibrary.ca

AVD Clubhouse: Arts Program – CMHA-Kings, Coldbrook 1–4pm. Offered through the Canadian Mental Health Association, Kings Branch. ***FEE:*** no charge, but please pre-register. ***INFO:*** 670-4103 / club@cmhakings.ns.ca

Chase the Ace – Royal Canadian Legion, Berwick 5pm. Chase the Ace drawn at 7:15pm, light supper served 5–7pm ***TIX:*** $5 per person, $5 supper ***INFO:*** 375-2021 / rubyl@eastlink.ca

Fun Night – Legion (downstairs), Kentville, 7pm. Variety of music. 50/50 tickets available. ***FEE:*** $2 per person ***INFO:*** kentvillelegion@eastlink.ca

Saturdays

Wolfville Farmers' Market – DeWolfe Building, Elm Ave., Wolfville 8:30am–1pm.
March 21 Music: Jack McDonald and Dennis Robinson
Theme: Maplicious at the Market
March 28 Music: Saltgrass
INFO: wolfvillefarmersmarket.ca

Peace Vigil – Post Office, Wolfville 12–1pm

Drop in and Drum! – Baptist Church, Wolfville 1–2:30pm. W/Bruno Allard. Drop in for a hands-on workshop & jam. Learn to play the djembe with rhythms & songs from West Africa. Everyone welcome. Drums provided. ***FEE:*** $5 ***INFO:*** Facebook: Djembes and Duns Wolfville

Valley Game Night – Gametronics, New Minas 6pm. Board game/card game group. Yu Gi Oh –Thursdays, 6pm. Friday Night Magic (Magic: The Gathering) – Fridays, 6pm ***FEE:*** no charge. ***INFO:*** facebook.com/GameTronics

Sundays

Family & Community Flea Market – Port Williams, former Stage 2 building. 8am–1pm. ***INFO:*** exidus36@gmail.com

Flea Market – Kentville Legion 8am. Until May 9. 50/50, kitchen open, everyone welcome. Tables $5 ***INFO:*** 678-8935

Free Community Swim – Acadia Athletic Complex, Wolfville 3-4pm. Until end of March. ***FEE:*** no charge ***INFO:*** 542-0368 / KOuterleys@wolfville.ca

Social Ballroom Dancing – Community Centre, Port Williams 3–5pm. Practice your existing dance skills and learn new group dances. ***FEE:*** $30 per couple per semester, or $5 per session drop-in fee per couple. ***INFO:*** 698-2806 / DanceTime_PortWilliams@hotmail.com

Acadia Improv – Student Union Building (basement), Acadia 7pm ***INFO:*** colinmcguire@live.ca

Mondays

Free Community Walking/Running – Acadia Athletic Complex, Wolfville 6-9am & 6-9pm (Mon. to Fri.). On the indoor & outdoor track. ***FEE:*** no charge ***INFO:*** 542-0368 / KOuterleys@wolfville.ca

Painting Morning – Recreation Centre, Wolfville 9:30am–12pm. W/Evangeline Artist Cooperative. Bring your own projects to work on & be inspired by like-minded artists. ***FEE:*** $2, drop-in ***INFO:*** Susan, 542-4448

Fitness Classes – White Rock Community Centre, 10:30–11:30am. Also Tuesdays. ***FEE:*** $2 drop in fee ***INFO:*** 542-3109 / dianneandjohn@eastlink.ca

Harmonica Jam – Community Room, Sobeys, New Minas, 1:30–3pm. Light music: country, waltzes, jigs & reels. All levels welcome, bring your harmonicas. ***FEE:*** no charge ***INFO:*** Lloyd, 681-3711 / Ed, 678-4591.

Fiber Ops – Hantsport Library, Every second Monday, 3–4:30pm, Until Spring (next: March 23). Chat & Knit, Stitch, Hook or Weave. Bring your project & join this friendly group. All levels of experience welcome! Light refreshments served. ***INFO:*** hantsport@valleylibrary.ca

Windsor Game Night – Library, Windsor 6pm. Board game group. New players welcome! ***FEE:*** no charge ***INFO:*** meetup.com/valleygames

Toastmasters – 2nd Floor, Irving Centre, Acadia 6:30–8pm. Communicative skills to enhance peaceful and effective dialogue. ***INFO:*** Chris Kasza, 691-3550 / vppr.wolfville.tm@gmail.com

Darts (mixed league) – White Rock Community Center, 7pm. ***INFO:*** Garf Langille, 542-7073

Insight (Vipassana) Meditation – Manning Memorial Chapel, Acadia, downstairs, 7:30–9pm. W/Laura Bourassa. Suitable for beginner and experienced meditators. Instructions, short talk, discussion. ***FEE:*** free-will offering. ***INFO:*** 365-2409

Tuesdays

Book in the Nook – Wolfville Memorial Library 10–10:30am. Suggested age range: 3–5. ***INFO:*** 542-5760 / valleylibrary.ca

Friends in Bereavement – Western Kings Mem. Health Centre, Berwick 10am–12pm. 1st & 3rd Tues. each month (next: April 7). VON Adult Day Program Room (main floor). ***INFO:*** 681-8239 / friendsinbereavement@gmail.com

Rug Hooking – 57 Eden Row, Greenwich 1–3:30pm. Drop-in rug hooking. ***FEE:*** donation. ***INFO:*** Kay, 697-2850

Friends in Bereavement – Kentville Baptist Church 2–4pm. 1st & 3rd Tues. each month (next: April 7). Left parking lot entrance, sponsored by Careforce. ***INFO:*** 681-8239 / friendsinbereavement@gmail.com

Yoga for Teens – Wolfville Recreation, 7 Victoria Ave. After school for grades 5-9 until 5pm, until April. W/Kelly Sheehan. ***TIX:*** no charge ***INFO:*** wolfville.ca / facebook.com/wolfvillerecreation

Dukes of Kent Barbershop Chorus – Bethany Memorial Baptist Church (gym), Aldershot 7pm. We sing four-part harmony. ***INFO:*** dukesofkent.ca

Learn Irish Music – Paddy's Pub (upstairs), Kentville 7–8pm. Bring your instrument & learn to play traditional music in a relaxed, convivial setting. ***FEE:*** no charge ***INFO:*** 697-2148 / slowsession@outlook.com

Valley Scottish Country Dancers – 125 Webster St., Kentville, 7:30–9:30pm. Second term: Started Feb. 10 – May 12. All levels, no partners needed. ***FEE:*** $6/class, $60/term. ***INFO:*** keppie@eastlink.ca / vscd.info

Card Party (45's) – White Rock Community Center, 7:30pm. Until April 21. ***INFO:*** Deanna Schofield, 542-7234

International Folk Dance – Wolfville Curling Club (upstairs), 7:30-10pm. Until June. Traditional circle & line dances from the Balkans & the Middle East. Expert instruction. No previous experience necessary. ***FEE:*** $5 regular, $3 students ***INFO:*** 690-7897

Wednesdays

AAVD Clubhouse: Music Jam Session – Louis Millett Community Complex, New Minas 10am–12pm. Offered through the Canadian Mental Health Association, Kings Branch. ***FEE:*** no charge ***INFO:*** 670-4103 / club@cmhakings.ns.ca

Brain Injury Support Group Drop-In – Baptist Church, Kentville 10am–12pm. 2nd & 4th Wednesdays of the month (next: March 25). For brain injury survivors, their families and/or caregivers. Drop in for a coffee! ***INFO:*** valley@braininjuryns.com / BrainInjuryNS.com

Kentville Farmers' Market – Town Hall Recreation Centre, 350 Main Street, Kentville 10am–2pm. Open year-round. ***INFO:*** marketmanager@kentville.ca / kentvillefarmersmarket.ca

Toddler Rhyme Time – Kings County Family Resource Centre, 503A Main St., Kentville 9:30–10:30am. Please register. ***FEE:*** no charge. ***INFO:*** 678-5760 / kcfrc.ca

Wolfville Breastfeeding Support Group – Anglican Church, Wolfville 10am–12pm. 1st & 3rd Wednesdays of the month (next: April 1). ***INFO:*** Facebook: Annapolis Valley Breastfeeding Support Groups

Recreational Pick-Up Indoor Soccer – Indoor Soccer Facility, Kentville 11am–1pm. Co-Ed & all ages. Bring both a dark & white shirt. ***FEE:*** $5 ***INFO:*** 678-2426

Wolfville Community Chorus – 30 Wickwire Ave., Wolfville 5:30–7pm. New members welcome! ***FEE:*** $180 yearly membership, no charge for first-time drop-in. ***INFO:*** 542-0649 / susan_dworkin@hotmail.com

Valley Youth Project – Louis Millet Community Complex, Rm 128, New Minas 6:30–8:30pm. 1st & 3rd Wednesdays of the month (next: April 1). Social drop-in for LGBTQ+ youth and allies, 25 years & under. Conversation, snacks, activities, & good company. ***INFO:*** valleyyouthproject@gmail.com / valleyyouthproject.wordpress.com

New Horizons Band – Festival Theatre, Wolfville 7pm. Fun, informal community band under the direction of Brian Johnston. ***INFO:*** Donna, 542-7557 / macdonaldwilson@accesswave.ca

LIVE THEATRE

A Murder is Announced – CentreStage Theatre, Kentville March 20, 21, 27, 28, 8pm, March 22, 2pm • Looking for an evening of murder, mayhem and fun? An announcement in the village paper states the time and place where a murder will occur. Miss Marple is at her best as she quietly gathers the clues in the case. Can you solve it before she does? Suitable for all ages. ***TIX:*** $15/$12 ***INFO:*** 678-8040 / centrestagetheatre.ca

J Caesar – Lower Denton Theatre, Acadia, Wolfville March 19, 20, 21, 25, 26, 27, 28, 7:30pm, March 29, 2pm matinee • In The Acadia Theatre Company's production of J Caesar a female Caesar threatens to destroy Rome's Republic by being crowned Queen. Julia Caesar advocates a traditional, socially conservative way of life, with law and order and the rejection of reproductive rights and gender equity at the forefront of her beliefs. See poster page 11. ***TIX:*** $15 regular, $10 student/senior, group rate (7+ people) $8 each @ Acadia Box Office (542-5500), or at the door ***INFO:*** acadiatheatre@gmail.com / Facebook.com/AcadiaTheatreCompany

Steel Magnolias – Fountain Performing Arts Centre, 33 King's-Edgehill Lane, Windsor March 20, 21, 27, 28, 7:30pm, March 21, 22, 28, 2pm matinee • Presented by Quick As A Wink Theatre Society. The action is set in Truvy's beauty salon in Chinquapin, Louisiana, where the ladies who are 'anybody' go to have their hair done. Six women come together in this hilarious and heartwarming story about life, love and loss. (Parental Guidance under 13) See poster page 18. ***TIX:*** $17.50 adults, $15 seniors/students @ Moe's Place Music (Windsor), or call. ***INFO:*** 798-5565

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Judith J. Leidl – Oriel Fine Art, Wolfville • Fine art: floral paintings, scarves, acrylic paintings, prints, ceramics, and Inuit work from Baffin Island. ***INFO:*** 670-7422 / judithleidlart.com

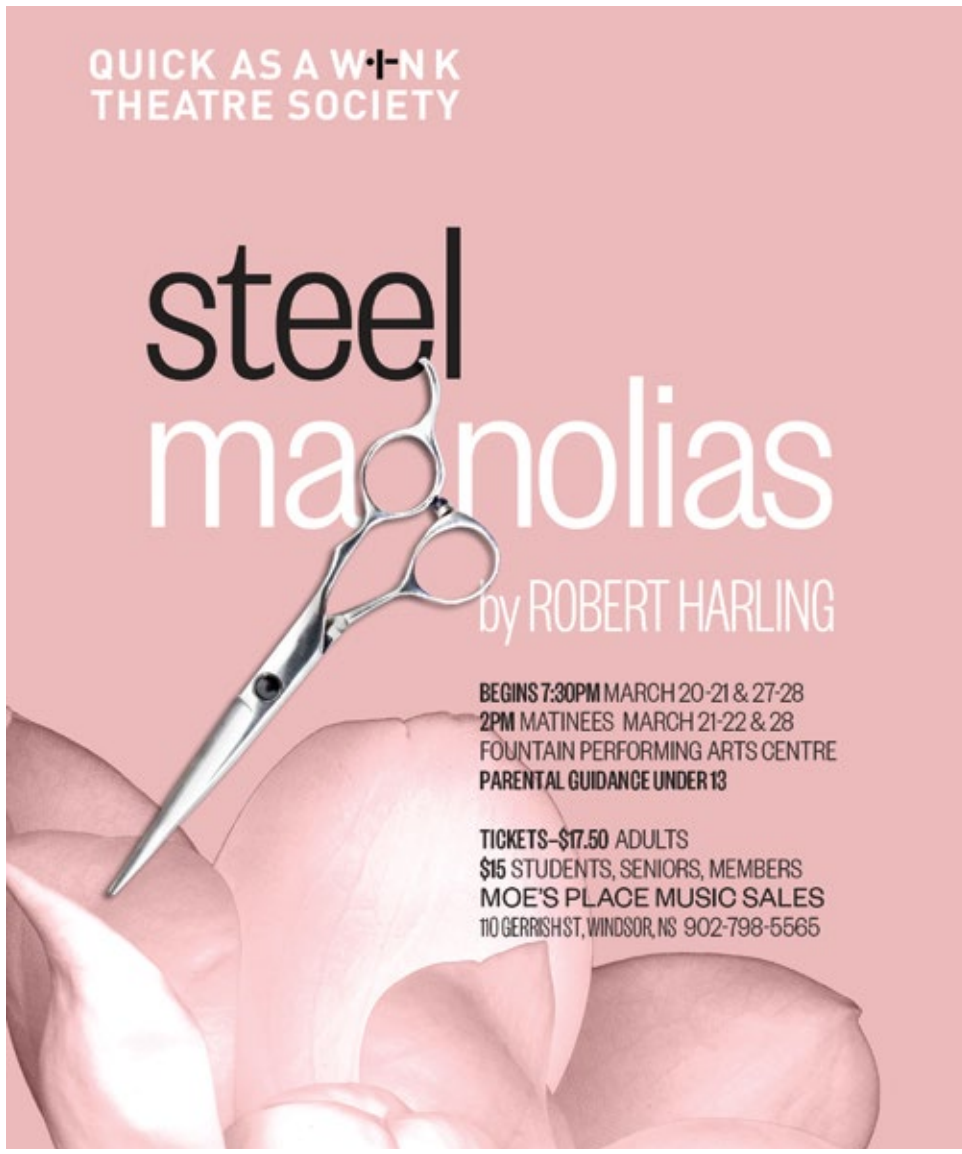
Group Showcase – The Bread Gallery, Brooklyn. Until March 29 • Our 4th annual End of Winter Showcase is a juried selection of recent works by members of the Hants County Arts Council. This showcase features a variety of paintings, sculpture, fibre art, carvings and folk art. ***INFO:*** 757-3377 / breadgallery.blogspot.ca

Alex Pfaff – Jack's Gallery, Wolfville. Until March 29 • Solo show of paintings by Alex Pfaff. Submissions of work for future shows are also being accepted. Download submission form at acadiacinema.coop/jacksgallery ***INFO:*** jacksgallerywolfville@gmail.com

Wild Lupin Media – CentreStage Theatre, Kentville • CentreStage is indebted to Brian Cottam of Wild Lupin Media for donating a series of show posters. Enjoy a trip down CentreStage's Memory Lane! ***INFO:*** 678-7601 / wildlupin.ca

Highlights from the Permanent Collection & Curator Talk – Acadia University Art Gallery, Wolfville. Until April 15. Curator Talk: March 24, 3pm • A selection that highlights: Canadian art, works by women, and international works on paper. ***INFO:*** artgallery@acadiau.ca

Apple Bin Art Gallery – Valley Regional Hospital, Kentville • Approximately 100 pieces of affordable original art created by local Valley artists. Part proceeds go towards hospital equipment and to help support Annapolis Valley health care programs.



FAMILY FUN IN THE VALLEY

U is for Upper Clements Park

Submitted by Laura Churchill Duke

Because there is still snow on the ground, it might be difficult to imagine warmer days, but they are coming! Upper Clements Park is a great place for family fun! It's open from the end of June until September. This is a great place to go with your family, and with a little pre-planning, the day can be even better.

Get free tickets! Be sure to sign up for the summer-reading program through your local branch of the Annapolis Valley Regional Library. By having your kids read (or by reading to them) you can earn tickets for Upper Clements Park!

Before you go, look up the rides and check the height restrictions. This will prevent any upset feelings when children know which rides they will and will not be allowed to go on. Bring a picnic lunch. There are picnic tables outside the park where you can eat, otherwise, it can be quite expensive to eat on site.

Have fun, take lots of breaks and lots of pictures! Bring on the summer!

Valley Family Fun | www.valleyfamilyfun.ca | info@valleyfamilyfun.ca

Wolfville Library Bookshelf. Photo: David Edelstein

UNTIL

Submitted by Teresa Neary, Port Williams

Until you've seen the white caps on the wave
and mist in the meadows
or caught sight of a rainbow on a dewy morn

Lest you face the wind and feel torrents – gusts
enthral you or sensed the subtle change in seasons...

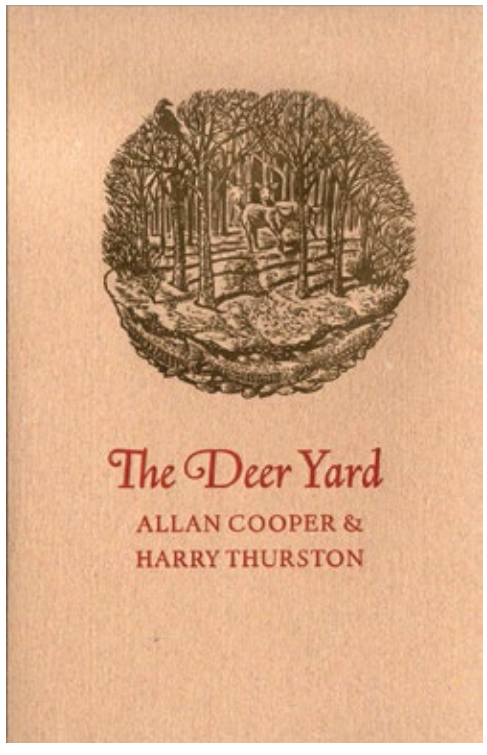
Before you've tasted the salt from your brow,
working the land living satisfaction and duty.

Until storms – unabashed – take their fury to the limit –
in full view or the call of a loon has – abated – and you're
drifting in melody – e'er to the harmony and oneness...
in all . . . have danced in time to your song –
you have not lived.

LANDMARK EAST

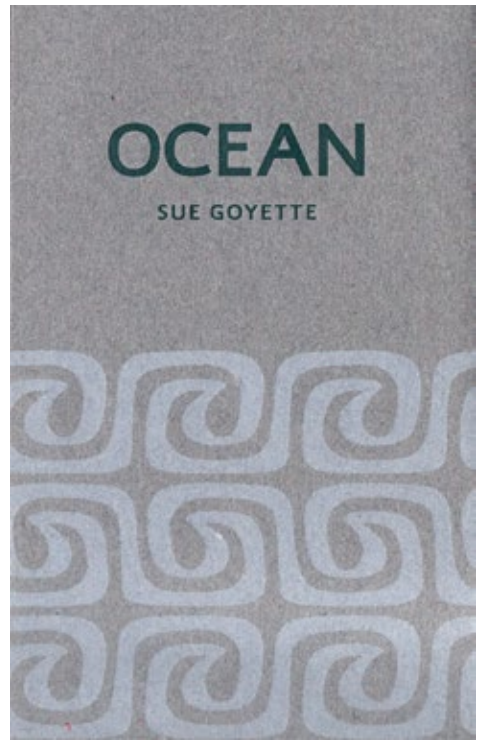
This week, the Landmark East 31st Annual Science Fair offered 30 projects presented by enthusiastic elementary and middle school students. Insights and discoveries covered a broad range of topics. Lyndon Haight (Gamers: Myth or Man?), Sarah Cooney (Tree of Life), Christian Vandermeer (Chemistry of Ice Cream), and Olivia Drava (Does Chewing Gum Help You Concentrate?) were top finalists. The students will go on to a regional competition in April.

A BEAUTIFUL SAMPLING FROM GASPEREAU PRESS



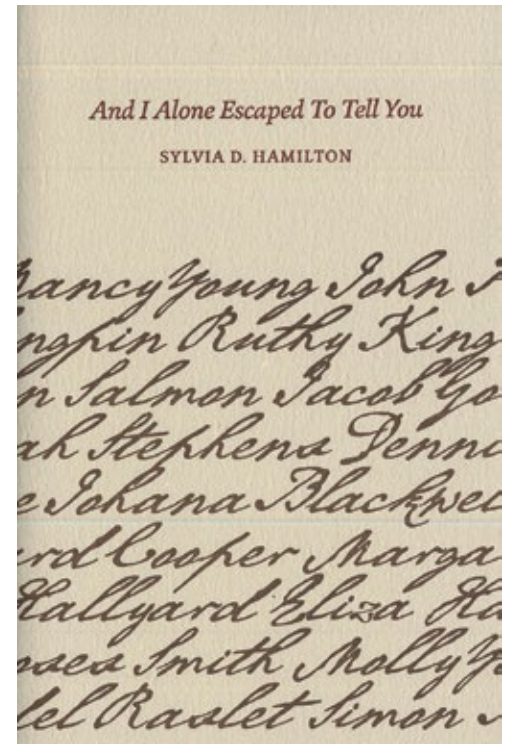
Deer tracks enter and leave the cemetery,
and the crow is the companion of the snow.
The tips of the maple buds are swelling again;
they hear the growing voices of the sunlight
calling through the cold.

- Allan Cooper, *The Deer Yard*,
Gaspereau Press



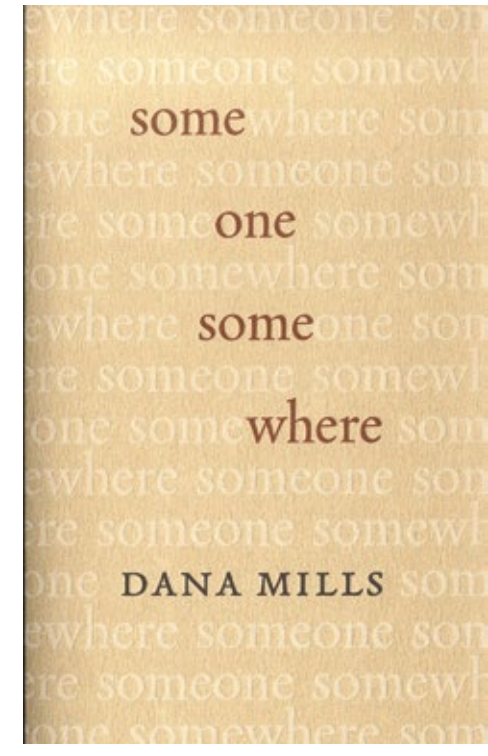
The weather had always been both a concern
and conversation kindling. We took great
pridein how long we could talk about a single
cloud.

- Sue Goyette, *Ocean*,
Gaspereau Press



Clear crisp day sun deceives,
feel the fingers of cold air on my cheek
moving up my face to my eyes.

- Sylvia D. Hamilton,
And I Alone Escaped To Tell You,
Gaspereau Press



I head over the crest and get the panoramic that
anyone who's ever driven down into the Valley
recognises: when that rock-bulge Cape Blow-Me-
Down and the mouth of the basin spread out
before you suddenly, and God might as well leap
into the picture too, shove his fat head down and
wave, shouting, Hell, you're effing right I made
this! Welcome back, Valley Boy.

- Dana Mills, *Someone Somewhere*,
Gaspereau Press

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THURSDAY, 19

Fresh Kitchen Farming Workshop – *Farmers Market, Wolfville 5:30–8pm* • Sprouts and shoots pack a powerful nutrient punch while adding pizazz to your local winter soups and salads. Learn how to grow them for only a few dollars a week. Facilitator: Selah Koile. ***TIX:*** $50 ***INFO:*** 697-3344 / goodfoodhub@wolfvillefarmersmarket.ca

Non-Duality Meet Up – *Manning Memorial Chapel, Wolfville 7pm. Also April 2* • Non-duality is the sense that all things are interconnected and not separate, while at the same time all things retain their individuality. Bi-weekly meet-up can give you a bigger perspective on life, a greater sense of freedom, and bring you a more stable happiness. ***TIX:*** no charge ***INFO:*** 401-3973 / smodayur@gmail.com

Cinéma Politique – *Studio Z, Wolfville, 7–9pm* • The End Of Democracy? A consideration of the changes taking place in Canada and where it is headed. Is Canada is showing fascist characteristics under the Harper government? 2 short videos followed by a discussion. Sponsored by WAPP (Wolfville Advocates for Progressive Politics). ***TIX:*** donation ***INFO:*** 678-3748 / cinepolitique@gmail.com

Music Jam – *Community Center, Cambridge 7–10pm. Also March 26* • 50/50 draw, come support the Community Center! ***TIX:*** donation ***INFO:*** 538-9957 / gands@xcountry.tv

The Culture of Food Safety – *Patterson Hall, Wolfville 7–8:30pm* • Lone Jespersen, Director of Food Safety Systems for Maple Leaf Foods will discuss food safety. Practical manufacturing has helped build a tool for measuring food safety. ***TIX:*** no charge ***INFO:*** sue.conlan@acadiau.ca

FRIDAY, 20 – First Day of SPRING!

Workshop for Family/Carers of Loved Ones with an Eating Disorder – *Mental Health Child & Adolescent Services, Kentville 9:30am–3pm* • Facilitated by eating disorder treatment specialists, will help you learn skills and provide information to help your loved one and to help you care for yourself too. ***TIX:*** no charge ***INFO:*** 679-2870

Fibre Ops Fridays – *Library, Windsor 10am–12pm. Also March 27* • For knitters, crocheters, hookers, spinners, and weavers. Bring your own project. ***TIX:*** no charge ***INFO:*** 798-5424 / windsor@valleylibrary.ca

Lenten Soup Luncheon – *Canard Community Church, Upper Canard 11:30am–1pm* • Selection of homemade soups and chowders. All welcomed. Donations to the Canning Area Inter Church Council for their community outreach commitments. ***TIX:*** donation ***INFO:*** al.linda@xcountry.tv

SKYS Revival – *Glad Tidings Worship Center, Windsor 7pm* • The SKY Family perform high energy Celtic dance and Gospel production. Fast-paced fiddle music and high-energy Irish dance combined with humor and inspiration. A toe-tapping time for the whole family. ***TIX:*** free will offering ***INFO:*** 506-471-7452 / esther.rennick@rogers.com

3rd Annual Metal Mania – *Recreation Centre, Kentville 7–11pm* • Free Metal Mania featuring: Hitman, Doom Machine, Scumgrief and Antler. 3rd year in a row that Fanfare has paid for an all ages metal show as a way to say thank you to everyone for their business! ***TIX:*** no charge ***INFO:*** mettalworx@gmail.com

Dance – *Royal Canadian Legion, Windsor 8pm–12am* • Band: Route 12 ***TIX:*** $5 ***INFO:*** 798-2031 / windsorlegion@eastlink.ca

SATURDAY, 21

Breakfast – *Community Hall, Centreville 7–10:30am* • Eggs, bacon, sausages, juice, coffee, tea, homemade hash browns, homemade beans, toast, etc. ***TIX:*** donation ***INFO:*** 678-3999

Breakfast – *Lions Club, Wolfville 7–10am* • Scrambled eggs, pancakes, sausage, bacon, beans, hash browns, toast, tea, coffee, juice. ***TIX:*** $6 adults, $3 children under 10 years ***INFO:*** 542-4508

Breakfast – *Royal Canadian Legion, Windsor 7:30–10am* • Bacon, sausage, ham, eggs, pancakes, hash browns, toast, and baked beans. ***TIX:*** $6 adults, $4 children 6-12, no charge under 6 years ***INFO:*** 798-2031 / windsorlegion@eastlink.ca

Breakfast – *Royal Canadian Legion, Wolfville 7:30–11:30am* • Eggs, bacon, sausage, toast, hashbrowns, and beans. Proceeds help support the Legion. ***TIX:*** $6 ***INFO:*** 542-5869

Breakfast – *Community Hall, Scotts Bay 8–10am* • A spring breakfast of scrambled eggs, pancakes, sausages, and toast. ***TIX:*** $6 adults, $3 children 12 and under ***INFO:*** 582-7489 / jerrychuntley@hotmail.com

Cheaton Cup – *Acadia Athletic Complex, inquire for time* • Longstanding traditional hockey grudge match between Chipman House & Eaton/Christopher House. L'Arche & S.M.I.L.E. fundraiser via Axes In Action. Remember…it's a $467 open alcohol ticket. ***TIX:*** $10 ($15 at the door). Students only, you MUST bring your student ID to the game. ***INFO:*** chelsey.spinney@acadiau.ca / theasu.ca

Antiques and Collectibles – *Louis Millet Complex, New Minas 9am–4pm* • Quality antiques & collectibles offered by over 23 vendors. Vintage service station items, advertisement metal, signs, country collectables, nautical items, jewelry, figurines, glassware, and much, much more. ***TIX:*** $4 ***INFO:*** 678-8123 / troopk@eastlink.ca

Book Sale – *Horton Community Centre, Hortonville 10am–2pm* • Grand Pre Women's Institute book sale with hundreds of (gently used) books selling for $1 each. ***TIX:*** no admission charge ***INFO:*** 542-5320 / mkeppie@hotmail.com

Soup & Chowder Luncheon – *Community Hall, Black River 11am–1pm* • Variety of soups and chowders, assorted homemade pies for dessert. ***TIX:*** donation ***INFO:*** 542-3498 / darlene.hennigar@gmail.com

Ted Wallace: Artist Of The Month – *Moe's Place Music Sales, Windsor, Nova Scotia 1–3pm* • In-Store acoustic performance, meet and greet, and Q&A. ***TIX:*** no charge ***INFO:*** 798-5565 / info@moesplace.ca

Merchandise Bingo – *Fire Hall, New Minas 1–4:30pm* • New Minas volunteer fire department auxiliary merchandise bingo. Bake sale & 50/50 tickets. ***TIX:*** books $2 each ***INFO:*** 681-2787 / jwhuntley@eastlink.ca

Valley Stamp Club – *Community Centre, Port Williams 1:30–3:30pm* • Talk on stamps followed by an auction. Visitors welcome, doors open 12pm. ***TIX:*** Annual membership $6, $1 per meeting. ***INFO:*** 665-4577 / stamps@eastlink.ca

SKYS Revival – *Church of the Nazarene, Windsor 7pm* • See Friday, March 20. ***TIX:*** donation ***INFO:*** 506-471-7452 / esther.rennick@rogers.com

Christine Tassan et les Imposteures – *Festival Theatre, Wolfville 7:30pm* • Subtle harmonies and modern inflections mixed with a tangy jazz base, an assortment of brilliant songs, a pinch of Cuban flavors, a hint of Argentine tango, a dash of poetry, and a great deal of comic charm. ***TIX:*** $26, $20 students @ Acadia Box Office, 1-800-542-TICK ***INFO:*** 585-1282 / pas@acadiau.ca

Barney Bentall & Dustin Bentall – *Mermaid Imperial Performing Arts Centre, Windsor 8–10pm* • With Kendel Carson & Cory Tetford. See poster page 19. ***TIX:*** $25 advance, $28 door @ Home Hardware (Windsor) & all Ticketpro outlets, 1-888-311-9090, Ticketpro.ca ***INFO:*** 798-5841 / puppets@mermaidtheatre.ca

Dance: Ambush – *Legion, Canning 9pm* • Come and have some fun and enjoy the music. ***TIX:*** $5 ***INFO:*** 582-7246

Dance: Still Doin' Time – *Legion, Kentville 9pm–12am* • Bar and kitchen available. 19+ ***TIX:*** $7 ***INFO:*** 678-8935

Dance: Route 12 – *Lions Club, Coldbrook 9pm–12:30am* • Country/country rock and 50/60's music. Door prize, 50/50 and spot dances, bar available. ***TIX:*** $6 ***INFO:*** 678-8013 / kimberly.lunn@ns.sympatico.ca

SUNDAY, 22 – World Water Day!

Flea Market – *Seaport Square Professional Center, Port Williams 8am–1pm* • Valley's largest flea market. Lots of antiques, household items, coins, home baked goodies, computer items and much more! ***TIX:*** $1 ***INFO:*** 680-2822 / donlilaporter@yahoo.ca

Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser – *Fire Hall, New Minas 8:30am–12pm* • The Horton High School Cheerleading Team brings you: pancakes, sausage, a hot drink or juice. ***TIX:*** $6 adults, $4 children 10 and under ***INFO:*** 542-6060

SKYS Revival – *Kingsway Assembly, Kentville 10:30am* • See Friday, March 20. ***INFO:*** 506-471-7452 / esther.rennick@rogers.com

Brunch With Friends – *Churchill House, Hantsport 11am–1pm* • Friends of the Hantsport Public Library invite you. All proceeds to support the Save Hantsport Public Library campaign. Limited seating, please reserve. ***TIX:*** $10 ***INFO:*** 684-4005 / thefhpl@gmail.com

Johanne McInnis Celtic Jazz Trio – *Blomidon Garden Centre, Greenwich 11am–2pm also Sunday, March 29* • Joanne McInnis on Harp, Alex Porter on Percussion and Kory Bayer on Bass. Weekly event. ***TIX:*** no charge ***INFO:*** 542-2295 x259 / shiltz@blomidonnurseries.com

Everyday Citizenship Discussion Series – *Box of Delights Bookshop, Wolfville 1pm* • Listen to and discuss diverse local perspectives. This week: William Kowalski & Marc Devilliers on PEN Canada and Freedom of Expression. Limited seating, plenty of floor space, bring a chair. ***TIX:*** no charge ***INFO:*** 542-9511 / boxofdelightsbooks.com

Sparky's Birthday Party – *Community Centre, Port Williams 2–4pm* • A fun afternoon meeting the fire fighters. Colouring, cake, a hose that you can use to put out the "fire" and Sparky himself. ***TIX:*** no charge ***INFO:*** 691-6479

Lucas Porter on Piano – *K.C. Irving Centre, Wolfville 2–4pm* • A Debut Atlantic concert, presented by Acadia University School of Music. A program of Chopin and Liszt, and a Nocturne composed by Porter. See poster page 11. ***TIX:*** no charge ***INFO:*** 585-1512 / john.hansen@acadiau.ca

Fundy Film screens THE SKELETON TWINS – *Al Whittle Theatre, 4 & 7pm* • In this Sundance winning dramedy, twins Maggie and Milo seemed inseparable until their father's death sets them apart for 10 years. An unexpected reunion helps the twins realize that the key to personal happiness may just lie in restoring their relationship. See ad page 15. ***TIX:*** $9 ***INFO:*** 542-5157 / fundyfilm.ca

Health and Fitness Dance Program – *Louis Millet Complex, New Minas 7–8:30pm* • Latin, Ballroom and Social dance practice and lesson. Informal opportunity to practice and improve your dancing skills. ***TIX:*** $2 ***INFO:*** Glenda, 542-5053

TUESDAY, 24

Painting Circle – *The Bread Gallery, Brooklyn 10am–2pm. Also March 31* • The Hants County Arts Council re-launches weekly painting circles. ***TIX:*** no charge ***INFO:*** 757-3377 / hcacinfo@gmail.com

Kings 2050 PAC – *County of Kings Municipal Complex, Kentville 1–4pm* • Topic: renewable energy, telecommunication towers, and heritage. ***TIX:*** no charge ***INFO:*** 690-6139 / planningservices@countyofkings.ca

What is Seniors LINCS? – *Kings Riverside Court, Kentville 2pm* • Join Kathleen Mulherin, Occupational Therapist, to hear about the services offered by SENIORS LINCS: home safety, risk for falls, mobility concerns and fall prevention. ***TIX:*** no charge ***INFO:*** 678-5414 / vrh.foundation@ns.sympatico.ca

Town Council Meeting – *Town Hall, Wolfville 6:30pm* • ***TIX:*** no charge ***INFO:*** wolfville.ca

Wolfville Children's Centre AGM – *EKM Health Centre (second floor), Wolfville 7pm* • Open to the public. ***INFO:*** 542-5087 / nsnet.org/wolfvillechildrenscentre

Gamelan Open House RESCHEDULED – *Harvey Denton Hall, Wolfville 7–9pm* • Relaxing hands-on session about Indonesian gamelan. Learn about and play the various instruments in our set, no experience needed. ***TIX:*** no charge ***INFO:*** ken.shorley@acadiau.ca

Board Game Night – *Paddy's Pub, Wolfville 8pm–12am* • ***TIX:*** no charge ***INFO:*** 542-0059

WEDNESDAY, 25

Wolfville Historical Society Meeting – *St. John's Anglican Church, Wolfville 2pm* • Dr. Antony Berger speaks on "Across the Gulf: The Importance of Nova Scotia in the History of Western Newfoundland." Rescheduled from March 18 due to weather. ***TIX:*** no charge ***INFO:*** wolfvillehs.ednet.ns.ca

Fundy Film screens WINTER SLEEP – *Al Whittle Theatre, 7pm* • Inspired by Anton Chekov short stories, this winning drama (Cannes FIPRESCI Prize, Palme d'Or) tells the story of a former actor who runs a small hotel in central Anatolia with his young wife and sister. In winter, the hotel turns into a shelter but also an inescapable place that fuels animosities. See ad page 15. ***TIX:*** $9 ***INFO:*** 542-5157 / fundyfilm.ca

Concert: Shoulder to Shoulder – *Horton High School, Greenwich 7–9pm* • Lawrence Parker, Bobby Smith, Billy Lucas, Mark Riley, and Fisher Akao spread their message of equality, diversity

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VALLEY EVENT TICKET GIVEAWAY: CHANCE TO WIN 2 TICKETS TO:
Fred Penner, Friday March 27, 6:30pm, Mermaid Imperial Performing Arts Centre, Windsor
***Draw date:** Sunday, March 22 **Enter all draws:** valleyevents.ca/win*

and racial harmony. ***TIX:*** no charge ***INFO:*** 538-4735 / lawrence.parker@avrsb.ca

Acadia Gamelan in Concert – *Denton Hall, Wolfville 8pm* • The Acadia Gamelan Ensemble and the Introduction to Gamelan class decorate the evening air with the harmonic delights of this bronze-based tradition. Premier piece by ensemble leader Ken Shorley. ***TIX:*** no charge ***INFO:*** ken.shorley@acadiau.ca

THURSDAY, 26

Sip.Chat.Connect.™ – *T.A.N. Coffee, Windsor 8:30–9:30am* • Informal networking sessions open to all business professionals to establish a more cohesive business community, and create a climate for sharing ideas, successes and solutions. ***TIX:*** no charge ***INFO:*** 454-4646 / info@sipchatconnect.org

48th Annual CFUW 3-Day Book Sale – *Lions Club, Wolfville 9am-8pm. Also March 27, 9am–8pm & March 28, 9am–3pm* • A large selection of books, magazines, jigsaw puzzles, music, CDs, LPs, Videos and CDS. Proceeds support many local organizations. ***TIX:*** no admission charge ***INFO:*** 542-2352

PROBUS Club of the Annapolis Valley Meeting – *Kings Riverside Ct., Kentville 9:30am* • PROBUS is a local, national, and international association of retired PROfessional and BUSiness people. Monthly meeting consist of a coffee meet and greet, a guest speaker, a member's story followed by a luncheon. ***INFO:*** valleyprobus@gmail.com

Knitting/Fibre Circle – *The Bread Gallery, Brooklyn 10am–2pm* • The Hants County Arts Council re-launches their weekly fibre/knitting circles. ***TIX:*** no charge ***INFO:*** 757-3377 / hcacinfo@gmail.com

Soup Luncheon – *Kings Presbyterian Church, New Minas 11am–1pm* • 8 different homemade soups, fresh rolls and assorted delectable desserts. ***TIX:*** free will offering ***INFO:*** 681-1333

Lecture: Mapping the Western Front – *Beveridge Arts Centre, Wolfville 7pm* • Dr. Rob Warren, a research scientist at the Big Data Institute, gives a public lecture contrasting the British and German efforts at mapping battlefields and how to geo-reference these maps into modern mapping software. ***TIX:*** no charge ***INFO:*** 585-1504 / paul.doerr@acadiau.ca

FRIDAY, 27

2nd Annual Acadia Academic Conference – *K.C. Irving Centre, Acadia 9am* • The Acadia Graduate Student Association (AGSA) presents multi-disciplinary research conference. Showcasing to the community the diverse research being done by Acadia students. ***TIX:*** $10 ***INFO:*** acadiagraduatestudent@gmail.com

King's Kikima Jewellery Sale – *Wong International Centre, Wolfville 9am–4pm* • Sale to raise funds for children orphaned by AIDS in Africa. Donations of jewellery welcomed. ***TIX:*** donation ***INFO:*** 542-7591 / bacain33@gmail.com

Concert: Fred Penner – *Mermaid Imperial Performing Arts Centre, Windsor 6:30pm* • Canadian legend Fred Penner is a two-time Juno winner and eight-time nominee for Best Children's Album. His concerts are a special treat. See poster page 19. ***TIX:*** $15 advance, $19 door @ Home Hardware (Windsor) & all Ticketpro.ca outlets, 1-888-311-9090 ***INFO:*** 798-5841 / puppets@mermaidtheatre.ca

Elsa Hodder & Friends – *Al Whittle Theatre, Wolfville 7:30–9:30pm* • A musical evening with award-winning Elsa Hodder and special guests. Featuring beloved show tunes and show-stopping ballads from Broadway and beyond! Special guests: ballroom dancer Cole Richardson, pianist Geordie Brown, the Nova Scotia Suzuki String Ensemble, Alan Slip, and more. See poster page 13. ***TIX:*** $20 @ Box of Delights, ElsaHodder.com, 1-888-311-9090 ***INFO:*** info@elsahodder.com

ORO! Orkestra Spring Dance Party! – *Farmers Market, Wolfville 8pm* • The last ORO! Orkestra Dance Party of the season. Bring a yummy snack to share, circle dancing, free-style dancing, or a little finger snapping! ***TIX:*** $10 general, $5 students, no charge for children ***INFO:*** oro.orkestra@gmail.com

SATURDAY, 28

Breakfast – *Legion, Wolfville 7:30–10am* • ***TIX:*** $ 6 ***INFO:*** 542-3314

Breakfast – *St. James Anglican Church, Kentville 8–10am* • Eggs, bacon, toast, muffins, fruit salad, yogurt, baked beans, & fish cakes. ***TIX:*** $6 minimum ***INFO:*** 678-3123 / stjames@ns.sympatico.ca

Flea Market – *Lions Club, Berwick 8am–2pm* • 50 tables of antiques, collectibles, housewares, new products, donated cakes, baby clothes, crafts and more. ***TIX:*** $1 ***INFO:*** 538-0071 / macjac3@bellaliant.net

Scrapbooking & Card Crop – *Lions Club, Kentville 9am–6pm* • Scrapbooking and cardmaking fundraiser for the Kentville Lion's Club Camp Brigadoon project. 50/50, yard sale, bring items to sell. ***TIX:*** $10 for the day, $5 for soup & sandwich lunch (optional) ***INFO:*** 678-1073 / agbaxter@ns.sympatico.ca

Wings of Wellington Valley Gathering – *Indoor Soccer Stadium, Kentville 9:30am–4pm* • A swap shop and day of indoor flying. Mass launch at 1pm to try to beat last year's number of planes in the air at once. No outdoor footwear allowed on the field. ***TIX:*** $20 for flyers, $2 general public, no charge under 12 ***INFO:*** 680-2740 / vintagemusic1@hotmail.com

Maple and Tree Products – *Wild Roots Nature Education Centre, Berwick 10am–12pm* • The Berwick YNC see how trees help us...from food to fuel to shelter! Bring: appropriate clothing for the weather, water bottle, and snack. Please register your child. ***TIX:*** no charge ***INFO/Reg:*** marina_myra@hotmail.com

Spring Tea & Silent Auction – *Avon Valley Golf & Country Club, Falmouth 11am–3pm* • An old fashioned tea. Lots of auction items to please everyone! All proceeds to Friends of Ferals. ***TIX:*** $10 ***INFO:*** 679-9770 / mcorkum1@hotmail.com

Light It Up Blue - Autism Awareness – *Military Family Resource Centre, Greenwood 4–7pm* • The Annapolis Valley Chapter of Autism NS event. Bounce castle, carnival games, food/drink, photo booth, cotton candy, blue light bulbs and more! ***TIX:*** no charge ***INFO:*** Sandy, 242-2019 / annapolisvalley@autismns.ca

International Feast – *PeopleWorx, Coldbrook NS 4–6pm* • Hosted by the Immigration Steering Committee. Please bring your favorite Potluck meal and be prepared to indulge your taste buds in the most amazing food. ***TIX:*** no charge ***INFO:*** 679-7592 / vpetrie@peopleworx.ca

FUSION Social – *T.A.N. Coffee, Kentville 4–6pm* • Meet key leaders in the business community and the FUSION team. Networking event about making connections to either find a job, volunteer opportunities, tips & tricks with online career finders. ***TIX:*** no charge ***INFO:*** fusionannapolisvalley@gmail.com

Acadia's Relay for Life – *Acadia's Athletic Complex 6pm* • Overnight event where teams walk, run, or wheel around a track to celebrate the lives of people who have battled cancer, remember loved ones lost, and fight back against the disease. Survivors lap is at 7pm. ***INFO/Reg:*** cancer.ca/relay / facebook.com/AcadiaRelayForLife

Valley Spring Contra Dance – *L'Arche Hall, Wolfville 7–10pm* • Beginners welcome, no experience or partners necessary. All dances are called. Lesson: 7–7:30pm. Bring indoor, low-heeled shoes and a water bottle. ***TIX:*** $10 at door, $8 students/unwaged or pay what you can ***INFO:*** valleycontradances@gmail.com

Concert: Hupman Brothers and Ian Sherwood Show – *Al Whittle Theatre, Wolfville 8pm* • An acoustic trio show of collaborating and sharing each other's songs. See poster page 12. ***TIX:*** $20 @ The Rolled Oat Cafe (Wolfville), call or email. ***INFO:*** 542-9884 / hupmanbrothers@hotmail.com

Concert: Thom Swift – *Union Street Cafe, Berwick 8pm* • NB-born, NS-based, singer/songwriter, Thom Swift approaches his songs from a very real and grounded perspective. Life's celebrations and disappointments and the commonality of our human experience. ***TIX:*** $22 ***INFO:*** 538-7787 / contactunionstreet@gmail.com

Dancing for Kids – *Louis Millet Complex, New Minas 8pm–12am* • Wine tasting with Hans Peter Stutz of the Grand Pre Winery, followed by a dance with the Mark Riley Band. Cash bar. All proceeds for the non-profit Campaign for Kids dedicated to helping disadvantaged youth living in Kings County. ***TIX:*** $20 each, $35 per couple @ Pharmasave (Berwick, Kingston) and Kings Physio (New Minas) ***INFO:*** 678-1562 / info@campaignforkids.com

Dance: Big Deal – *Legion, Kentville 9pm–12am* • Bar & kitchen available. 19+ ***TIX:*** $7 ***INFO:*** 678-8935

Dance: Ruckus – *Legion, Windsor 9pm-1am* • Band: Ruckus (Formally known as 10-2 Midnite) ***TIX:*** $7 at the door ***INFO:*** 798-2031 / windsorlegion@eastlink.ca

Benefit Dance for David Ells – *Michelin Sports and Social Club, Waterville 9pm–1am* • 50/50 door prizes. Music by DJ Billy Trenholm. All proceeds go to David Ells and his family to help with medical costs due to a cancer diagnosis. ***TIX:*** donation ***INFO:*** 365-2043 / melwhite27@gmail.com

SUNDAY, 29

Ticket Auction & Benefit for Marilyn Misner – *Meadowview Community Centre, Kentville 11am–3pm* • Marilyn has battled Multiple Sclerosis for twenty years and needs help in purchasing an air flow mattress. Ticket auction, silent auction, bake sale, 50/50. ***TIX:*** donation ***INFO:*** Greg, 670-6586

Benefit Show – *Royal Canadian Legion, Kentville 1–4pm* • Musical talent by various artists: David Arenburg, Basil Davidson, Cye Brown, Albert Barkhouse, Ron Keddy, Robyn Write and lots more. Proceeds to the branch ***TIX:*** donation ***INFO:*** kentvillelegion@eastlink.ca

Kings South NDP AGM – *Louis Millet Community Complex, New Minas 2–4pm* • Join us at our Annual General Meeting. Use door on east side. Your ideas for progressive change are needed & welcomed. See page 12. ***TIX:*** no charge ***INFO:*** 680-2920 / morganwheeldon@gmail.com

A Sharing of Music – *Bethany Memorial Baptist Church, Aldershot 4pm* • Aldershot Elementary School Children's Choir, the Dukes of Kent, and Celtic-Jazz Harpist Johanne McInnis. Fundraiser for Aldershot Elementary School. ***TIX:*** donation ***INFO:*** 678-6755 / bmbc@ns.aliantzinc.ca

Fundy Film screens GEMMA BOVARY – *Al Whittle Theatre, 4 & 7pm* • Martin, an ex-Parisian hipster, passionate about Gustave Flaubert, settles into a Norman village as a baker. An English couple, Gemma and Charles Bovery, moves into a small farm nearby and their behaviour also seems to be inspired by Flaubert's characters. See ad page 15. ***TIX:*** $9 ***INFO:*** 542-5157 / fundyfilm.ca

MONDAY, 30

Five Fountains of Health – *WKM Health Centre, Berwick 7–8pm* • Speaker Shelley Orr, RN, shares the latest research about being sharp and healthy after 50. ***TIX:*** no charge ***INFO:*** 538-1157

A Night of Adventure – *Just Us!, Studio Z, Wolfville 8pm* • Another international expedition this month! Noé Daniel Pare-Julien shares his story of climbing Aconcagua in Argentina. Aconcagua is the highest mountain, outside of Asia and tops out at 6,960.8 metres. Bring your own mug for tea. ***TIX:*** no charge ***INFO:*** 698-9364 / greeneradventures@gmail.com

TUESDAY, 31

Board Game Night – *Paddy's Pub, Wolfville 8pm–12am* • ***TIX:*** no charge ***INFO:*** 542-0059

WEDNESDAY, 1

Fundy Film screens BALLET 42 – *Al Whittle Theatre, 7pm* • From first rehearsal to world premiere, this documentary goes backstage at the New York City Ballet to watch an up-and-coming choreographer craft a new work. With unprecedented access to an elite world, the film illuminates the process behind the creation of a single ballet. See ad page 15. ***TIX:*** $9 ***INFO:*** 542-5157 / fundyfilm.ca

Ai Ripples – *Port Williams Community Centre 7–9 pm.* • Spiritual development, empowerment. Group toning, guided meditation, presentation. Spring theme is healing for ourselves and others. ***TIX:*** donation ***INFO:*** ai.ripples@gmail.com / Facebook: Ai Ripples

THURSDAY, 2

Sip.Chat.Connect.™ – *T.A.N. Coffee, Kentville 8:30–9:30am* • Informal networking sessions open to all business professionals to establish a more cohesive business community, and create a climate for sharing ideas, successes and solutions. ***TIX:*** no charge ***INFO:*** 454-4646 / info@sipchatconnect.org

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CLASSES/LESSONS:

Community Yoga: Wed. & Fri., 12–1pm @ Dance Studio, Downstairs, Old-SUB, Acadia. ***FEE:*** $5, no charge for Acadia students ***INFO:*** Carole, cazaflows@gmail.com

Tai Chi-Chi Kung: Internal dancing Tao exercise offered Tuesdays 6:30–8pm at Manning Memorial Chapel (AcadiaU). Beginners welcome. ***FEE:*** $90 for 10 weeks. ***INFO/Reg:*** yula@centrefortheways.com / centrefortheways.com / 697-2661.

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Spring Belly Dance Classes: Monday nights, March 30–May 11 (no class April 6) @ Wolfville Farmers' Market. Mixed levels, beginner-friendly. 6:30–7:30pm, and Intermediate/Advanced 6:30–8pm (stay an extra half hour to work on choreography & more challenging moves). ***FEE:*** $60 mixed levels, $75 intermediate/advanced ***INFO:*** oriana@sisterlotus.com

WORKSHOPS/RETREATS/ SESSIONS:

Event Succession Readiness Workshop: Ensuring Your Future: Thursday, March 26, 9am–4pm @ Old Orchard Inn, Wolfville. If you are thinking about stepping away from your small business, would like to know more about preparing to sell it, or want to know what your options are for family or others to take over the operation, this workshop is for you. ***FEE:*** $75+hst ***INFO:*** jennifer@tourism.ca

Adult Painting Workshop: Mondays, March 23 – May 11 (8 weeks), 7-9pm w/Steven Rhude. Develop the ability to see, perceive, inscribe, and translate experience as it relates to the subject of the figure in situ. Oil painting techniques: under painting, glazing, alla prima (direct painting). Material list will be provided. ***FEE:*** $180 general, $170 gallery members ***INFO:*** gallery.acadiau.ca

"The Art and Ease of Good Food": Workshop includes: hands on learning, handouts, recipes and generous tasting in the shiny new Good Food Hub commercial kitchen in the Wolfville Farmers' Market. April 16, 5:30–8pm: Make your own delicious bread/buns/wraps out of real gluten-free whole grains and seeds. Please register. ***FEE:*** $57.50 (tax in) ***INFO/Reg:*** 697-3344 / wolfvillefarmersmarket.ca/good-food-hub

Script Workshop Session: April 2, 7pm @ CentreStage Theatre, Kentville. Help new local playwright Simon Pawlowski further develop the script of "The Joy of Villainy." ***FEE:*** no charge ***INFO:*** 582-7823 / beachball46@hotmail.com

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Health Board Volunteers: Your Eastern Kings Community Health Board is looking for volunteers. ***INFO:*** 542-1244 / kwilkie@avdha.nshealth.ca

Community Bottle Drive: Gaspereau Baptist Church will be holding a bottle drive in April and May for funds for steeple repairs. ***INFO:*** zelda-weatherbee@hotmail.com

Neighbours Helping Neighbours: Saturday, March 28. Would you like a student volunteer to give you a helping hand? Sign up - go to theasu.ca, click 'more', click 'neighbours helping neighbours.' ***INFO:*** theasu.ca

Andrea Bell's "Dare to Leap" Fundraiser: Originally from Wolfville, Andrea will rappel 19 stories off one of Vancouver's highest buildings on April 16 to raise money for Outward Bound's new outdoor experiential education for inner city youth. INFO/Donate: pledge.at/abellgoesdown

Under the Big Top: On April 11 it's Two Planks and a Passion Theatre's 21st annual fundraising event. Funds raised support the 2015 Two Planks summer season of The Tempest and Turn of the Screw. ***TIX:*** $55 each, $400 for a table of 8, including a fabulous meal and tax receipt! ***INFO/RSVP:*** 582-3073 / twoplanks.ca

'Breaking Ground' Festival Needs Volunteers: July 1–4 @ Ross Creek Centre for the Arts, Canning. We need help with planning and making the festival incredible for the community. All skills/time available welcome! ***INFO:*** chris@artscentre.ca

Website Feedback Requested: We want to make sure that our website is very user-friendly and easy to navigate. Contact us if you have time to look over and provide feedback on the Deep Roots Music Cooperative website. ***INFO:*** Lisa -lisa@deeprootsmusic.ca

Kentville Volunteer Recognition Dinner and Awards: Thursday, April 2nd 2015. Nominate a volunteer who has exhibited exceptional volunteerism. Contact Gillian Yorke, Kentville Rec Department. Deadline March 27. ***INFO:*** 679-2539 / kentville.ca/community/parks-rec/

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Early Ticket Sales: Tim Chaisson: Union Street Cafe is excited to announce that Tim Chaisson is confirmed for May 9! ***TIX:*** $27 ***INFO:*** 538-7787 / unionstreetcafe.ca

EMPLOYMENT:

Courier Needed: Tuesday and Thursday morning town to city commuter needed. Binky's Donuts...from exit 10 to Pete's Bedford. Will pay a little cash and a couple of Binky's donuts for the drive. ***INFO:*** lisa.boehme@eastlink.ca

ACCOMMODATIONS:

Apartment Needed: Age 76 senior looking for 1 bedroom apartment on ground level, no stairs. Parking, laundry access, electric included. Near Kings Transit stops. ***INFO:*** John, 681-3722

House Sitting: 30-something professional able to provide house-sitting arrangements, within Wolfville prefered, car-required if beyond. Available anytime, references available. ***INFO:*** info@grapevinepublishing.ca

GENERAL:

Prom Dress Consignment: We are looking for your prom dresses. Twice in a Life Time Prom Dress Consignment Sale, April 18, 12-5pm in Kentville. Set your price, and we will take only 20% for our charity. ***INFO:*** susancarey@ns.sympatico.ca

Camp Aldershot Commando Challenge Registration: Fun, challenging day of tactical exercises & team building. Test your skills in camouflage and concealment, fitness, weapons handling and navigation. Register team of 4 by March 31. Takes place Sunday, May 31. ***FEE:*** $1000 per team of 4 ***INFO:*** Diane, 678-5414 /dschofield@avdha.nshealth.ca

Seeking Artisans/Vendors: The Woodville Farmers' Market (342 Bligh Rd.) will be open on Tuesdays from May 26 until Oct. 6. Interested grower or artisan vendors please contact. ***INFO:*** Henry, 993-0040 / hfrankers@hotmail.com

Graduate to Opportunity Program: Hiring a recent post-secondary graduate can be very rewarding – new ideas, enthusiasm, and a fresh perspective! The Graduate to Opportunity (GTO) program encourages employers to hire recent graduates by providing a salary contribution for the first two years of employment. ***INFO:*** 1-800-424-5418 / sepinfo@gov.ns.ca / novascotia.ca/econ/sep/gto

Register Now for Brigadoon's Wine & Dash: On June 14, runners, walkers and wine lovers can sample Nova Scotia wines along a beautiful route through Gaspereau Valley, while helping to send kids to Brigadoon Village! To register or to learn more visit us online. ***INFO/Reg:*** winedash2015.kintera.org

Kings SPCA Play for Paws Weekly 50 50 Lotto: Only $2 to play; draws every Monday. You can sign up and play on the spot at Shur Gain in Port Williams, Annapolis Animal Hospital or our shelter in Waterville. All proceeds go to the animals in need at the Kings SPCA shelter. ***INFO:*** fundraising@kings.spcans.ca

Along The Avon: Sunday, May 3, 12–5pm @ 65 Chestnut street Windsor NS. Kelly Mitchelmore's 6th annual art show at Phoenix Hollow B&B in support of the Canadian Breast Cancer Foundation. Enjoy art, charity and wine with guest artists Al Simm, Elizabeth Brown and School Street Glass Studio. ***FEE:*** no charge ***INFO:*** 1-866-900-6910 / me@kellymitchelmore.ca

Men's Mental Health: Are you a young man, aged 18 – 30, who struggles with low mood, personal, career or relationship issues? A Movember Canada funded men's mental health enhancement program is looking for participants to join an intensive workshop that provides tools for strength, resilience and restored life purpose. All expenses are covered, limited spots. See ad page 23. ***INFO/Reg:*** Dr. Ron Lehr, 585-1302 / ron.lehr@acadiau.ca

Community Business Booth Opportunity at the Market: The Wolfville Farmers' Market offers a booth space to all local business owners once per season on Saturday (4 times per year) and Wednesday (3 times each year). Come and share who you are and what you offer! **INFO:** wolfvillefarmersmarket.ca

Sunday Hunting: What are your thoughts on Sunday hunting? Please go to the Department of Natural Resources website and complete the survey before the deadline of Fri., April 10. **INFO:** novascotia.ca/natr/hunt/sunday

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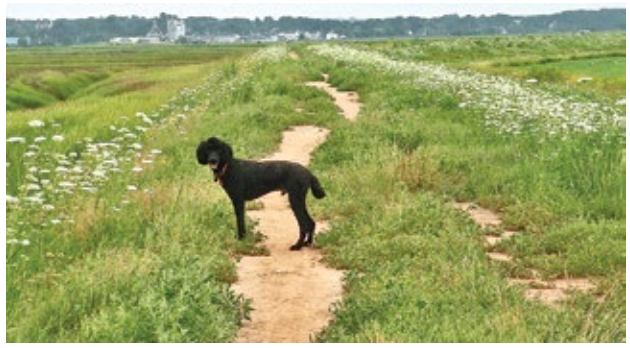
BIRTHDAY

Submitted by Kay Lewis, Wolfville



I approached the dawning of my 79th birthday with caution, but it turned out to be a glorious sunny, hot day, with a bit of a breeze, just right for a leisurely walk. Jacques was ready and so was I. So, stuffing some carrots in one pocket, doggie biscuits in another, we set off to hike the dyke.

On our way across the field, we stopped to say hello to my favourite horses, Moose and Blue. Old Blue, crippled up with arthritis, usually stands in the barn with his face in the corner, but if pushed along by Moose, he'll stumble out into the pasture for a short walk. Heartbreaking to watch. But old Moose, well he can smell a carrot a mile away. He comes over and starts nosing around my pocket. Of course, my brave standard poodle, Jacques, tried to run from this enormous animal, so rather than get pulled into the muck, I let him off his leash and away he went - across the field and up onto the dyke. I could hear him yelling "I'm free, I'm free", with his large poodle ears flapping in the breeze.

As soon as I arrived up on the dyke, I kicked off my flip flops and started walking bare foot on the warm, hard, dry dirt. Just me and my dog and the warm August sun. Seventy-nine years old and feeling good! As I walked along the narrow path, there were grasshoppers leaping and bounding out of my way and Jacques jumping in the air trying to catch them. I started to feel the ambiance around me and soon found myself walking more and more slowly until I stopped completely. I stood there on the warm, hard earth, and looked around me. To the north was the inlet with its shining mud banks and the town of Port Williams; to my left stretched a simple, narrow path winding back along the dyke to the barn; behind me the rolling farmland and the village of Wolfville with its church steeple; and to my right, a path waiting to lead me through a field of Queen Anne's Lace.

As I stood there I could feel the sun on my skin; the breeze brushing against me; the warm dirt under my feet; the wonderful sound of summer flies buzzing around me; the smell of the dry grass and the wind blowing through the corn fields; even the crows were quiet. When I looked ahead along the path between the slopes of Queen Anne's Lace, I realized that Jacques had been standing there completely still, watching me as if he, too, felt the peace. Slowly the moment passed, the crows started cawing, Jacques began racing around and I continued walking slowly along the path. Wouldn't it be wonderful if everyone could experience that "perfect moment" I found while walking the dykes in the summer sun?

THE ART SPOT:

Will Cooper

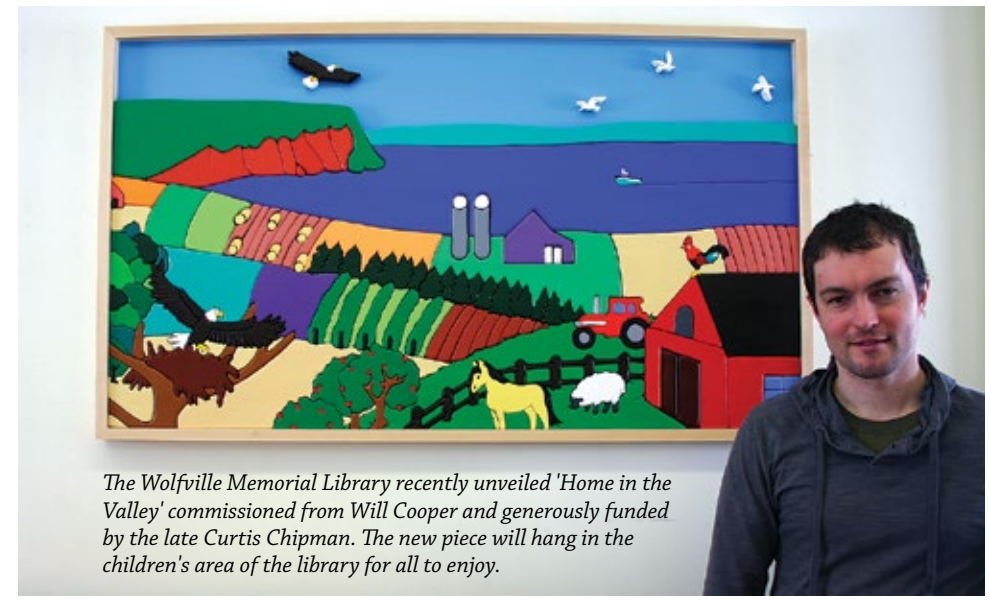
WHO: I am an English-born, Canadian/New Zealander, teacher-turned-electrician-turned-artist and a father of three. My family and I moved from New Zealand to Wolfville in 2012. My favourite things are going on dates with my wife, exploring the woods with my kids, and writing in the morning with a cup of coffee.

WHAT: I make acrylic paintings on scroll-cut wood. I came up with this style while trying to make a unique piece of art to donate to the Hope for Wildlife Society.

WHERE: I work at home in my basement, but I hope to one day have a proper studio. My work can be found on my website (www.willcooperart.com), at local galleries & art shows, and on the wall at The Rolled Oat & the Wolfville Library.

WHEN: I've always been creative, but I didn't consider myself a real artist until my success at last year's NS Folk Art Festival. Being a busy father to young children, I work whenever I can find the time and energy.

WHY: I never feel more at-one-with-life than when I am in my creative zone. What I love about my particular style of art is that it is playful, cheerful, and appeals to people of all ages. The Valley, with its diverse landscapes, distinct seasons, and small-town vibe, is a wonderful place for me to live and work.



The Wolfville Memorial Library recently unveiled 'Home in the Valley' commissioned from Will Cooper and generously funded by the late Curtis Chipman. The new piece will hang in the children's area of the library for all to enjoy.

After the Storm ---

Wolfville Historical Society presents

New Date -- April 8, 2015
at 7 pm
in Room 132,
Beveridge Arts Centre,
Acadia University.

Randall House Museum
259 Main Street, Wolfville

A. J. B. Johnston
Canadian Historian
and Writer

In his talk, entitled "History and Fiction" he will describe his transition from historian to novelist, and give background to his planned quartet of Thomas Pichon novels set in the 18th century - to date - *Thomas, a Secret Life* (2012) and *The Maze* (2014).

Dr A. J. B.(John) Johnston

A.J.B. (John) Johnston is a Canadian writer who was born and raised in Truro, N.S. He completed a Doctorate in History at the Université Laval in Quebec and worked for Parks Canada for many years. For 23 of these years he was a staff historian at the Fortress of Louisbourg, where he wrote on a vast number of topics, in a wide range of styles from exhibit scripts to books. For his body of work on French Colonial History in Atlantic Canada, the French Republic made him a Chevalier of the Ordre des Palmes Académiques.

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WORDS

Submitted by Donna Holmes, Wolfville

Words
Why can't I ever find the words
That clarify all my ideas
In all my poems that hinge upon

Words
They're always on the tips of tongues
They lie and cheat and poke some fun
While I keep searching for the right one

Words
Can be so very hard to say
Yet chatter all my thoughts away
And they can cage or they can...

Free
Up all the thoughts inside my head
Just wish I understood what's said
So I can take them back instead

Words
I need a few more for this poem
Another verse and then I'm home
I don't know what I'm saying

Damn words
They never help me see the light
They make me toss and turn all night
They never come out just quite right...

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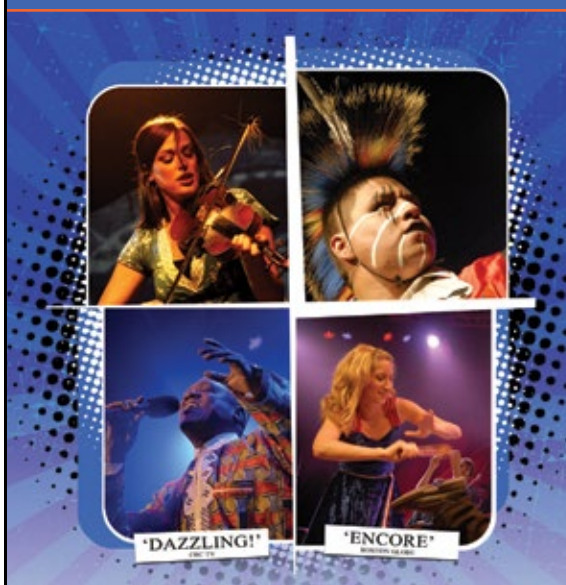

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