



Cornelia of "That Dutchman's" Cheese Farm in Upper Economy shares a magic moment with a few of their farm geese.



Aboriginal Day Celebrated on June 21

By Devin Trefry

Much of the tapestry that forms Nova Scotia's history has been woven with the traditions, culture and legends belonging to the First Nation peoples, the Mi'kmaq who continue to add richness and texture to our lives. The public is urged to celebrate that rich history everyday of the year, particularly at the Glooscap Heritage Centre where it comes to life in many sights and sounds.

Each June 21st, residents and visitors are encouraged to pause and pay it particular attention during National Aboriginal Day celebrations that are being held across the province.

In Central Nova Scotia, tra-

ditional drummers, dancers and artisans will celebrate National Aboriginal Day at the Glooscap Heritage Centre. The centre is located at 65 Treaty Trail in Millbrook First Nation, near Truro. Passersby on Highway 102 can't miss the 40-foot statue of Glooscap which stands adjacent to the centre.

Celebrations take place throughout the day and are of interest to visitors of all ages and ethnic backgrounds. Organizers of Aboriginal Day activities are promoting the events as enjoyable, culturally rich family outings.

At the Glooscap Heritage Centre, there will be magic for the children and a barbecue for everyone to enjoy. Dad will also have a chance to

win a recliner. The Glooscap Heritage Centre is known as a pre-eminent Aboriginal tourism and education facility in Atlantic Canada for Mi'kmaq heritage. It offers an innovative, multi-media presentation, an audio exhibit to learn a bit of the Mi'kmaq language, and displays of tools, clothing, quill and bead work, and much more.

The centre, which also houses a visitor information centre and gift shop with aboriginal focus, is open year-round.

Starting on May 15, the centre will begin the summer hours of Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m., and Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.



Gerald Allaby, photographer, renowned for his black and white creations captured this view of Partridge Island (Gerald Allaby Photo)



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Fishing for Frank
by Nova Scotia playwright Daniel Lillford

Frank is dead, folks are talkin', and Millie's movin' on. An outrageous new comedy full of gossip, lies, infidelities, and old friends...who may not be friends at all. A cock-eyed look at life, love, and trout. Pull up a chair, grab a Scotch finger, and poke a hole in all that's sacred. Directed by Linda Moore, former Artistic Director of Neptune Theatre. Starring: Deborah Allen, Mary Vingoe, Michael Chiasson, and Lee J. Campbell. Daniel Lillford's past shows at Ship's Company Theatre have included Snow Dance, The Mystery of Maddy Heisler (which went on to play at the Centaur Theatre in Montreal), and Apple Tree Road (1999).

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Lucien
by Marshall Button

Lucien is New Brunswick's blue-collar philosopher. An hysterical, down-to-earth, highly entertaining show, Lucien is an opinionated North Shore mill-worker who opines on a variety of relevant social topics. A one-man show in two acts, Lucien plays like an ironical period piece, reflecting a time when jobs were plentiful, unions were strong and job security was not a dirty word.

Lucien has enjoyed a twenty-five-year run since he first appeared in Fredericton, N.B. Marshall Button developed the character Lucien based on his experiences working in the paper mill in his hometown of Dalhousie, NB. Over the past two decades, he has

contributed countless commentary performances for CBC Radio and Television, including appearances for the Royal Canadian Air Farce, Morningside, Sounds Like Canada, on Sportnet, and for CBC's Hockey Day in Canada. Marshall is nearing 2000 performances of Lucien, from coast to coast in every Canadian province. In December of 2006, he had the great privilege to visit Afghanistan to entertain our Canadian troops. In 2008 he was awarded the Order of New Brunswick for his contributions to the cultural landscape of the province, and was given an honorary doctorate from St Thomas University in Fredericton. Enjoy a little East Coast "Pulp fiction", and "take a break" with Lucien.

Nova Scotia Premiere
August 4 - 24

The Net
by Marcel-Romain Thériault

Translated by Maureen Labonté and Don Hannah

An explosive modern thriller, full of twists, turns, and suspense. The Chiassons - a dominant New Brunswick crab-fishing family on the brink - grapple with tradition and rebellion in their struggle for power and dominance. Meanwhile, down at the wharf, the not-so-wealthy fishermen grow increasingly impatient.

Atlantic Canada's English-language premiere of this stunning play will keep you on the edge of your seat.

Directed by Matthew Tiffin. Starring: Michael Chiasson (last seen in Snow Dance), Wally MacKinnon (last seen in Chairmaker: The Musical and Jacob's Wake), and newcomer Douglas MacAuley.

September 7 - 12

Jake's Gift

Written and performed by Julia Mackey

For the Centenary of Canadian Navy this year, we're absolutely thrilled and honoured to be presenting this inspiring and touching show.

Jake's Gift has toured the country, and has won awards in many major centres in Canada.

Julia Mackey has created a phenomenal show about a crusty, world-weary, cynical old Canadian World War II

Veteran, and an innocent little French girl as they chance to meet on Juno Beach. A very funny, heartwarming show that pays tribute to the history and importance of Canada's veterans, we hope to honour our region's Veterans'

groups, and bring attention to the great sacrifice and triumphs given to us by the Greatest Generation. We invite all area Veterans' Groups, Cadets, Legions, and associated organizations to help us celebrate Jake's Gift.

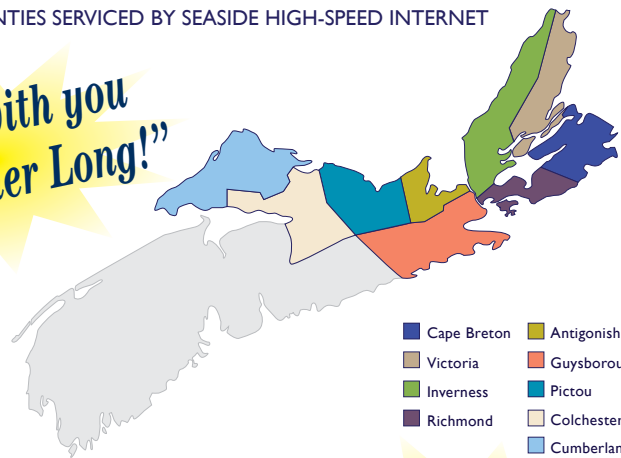
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