



A mild winter has assisted in the winter construction of Hollis Ford new office and showroom. When this photo was taken in mid-March exterior construction was almost completed and workers were rushing to finish the inside. A move into the new building is expected in early April. The existing office and showroom building will be demolished later this spring. To compliment their new dealership showroom and office, new signage was installed in late February. The dealerships revamp, the first in Nova Scotia, is part of Ford of Canada's Millennium facility imaging program. Ford's goal with their Millennium program is simple: collaborate with dealers to implement cost-effective ways to improve the energy-efficiency of their facilities. The Hollis Ford Community Calender is on page 18 of this Shoreline Journal. (Rees Photo)

# Londonderry Community Council News

By Sally Richard

It certainly looks as though winter is behind us and spring is right on schedule. Dreams of gardens, green grass, opening up cottages and fishing are welcoming thoughts for the mind. Daylight savings time seems to increase energy. Although winter was pretty gentle with us this year, spring is always awakening to the soul. Dan Richard said the sap is running steady on the mountain and he is very busy in his sugar shack making syrup. Fishing season opens April 1. Be careful on the ice as it may be thinner than usual.

It was a good turnout for the corned beef and cabbage supper. It was a first for us. Thank you to those who came out to enjoy the Irish treat and support our community centre. The dessert table was very tempting thanks to the good cooks in our community. A special thank you to Tanya O'Brien and Amanda Mattix, who served the tables and Debbie Mattix who washed and washed dishes. Amanda Langille came up with the creative design for the placemats highlighting Londonderry's Irish roots. Our sympathy to the family

of the late Nellie Ripley who lived to be 100 years of age. Nellie was a resident of Londonderry for 50 years where she and her husband Arthur raised their six children. A devout christian, a humble lady and a loving mother are words that best describe Nellie. Also, sympathy to the family of the late Betty Gamble, Pictou, who passed away recently. She was the wife of the late Darrell Gamble, formerly of Londonderry. Congratulations to Becky Rushton and Shawn Eagles on the birth of their daughter Josie Ann Louise on St. Patrick's Day weighing 7 lbs., 11 ozs.



Two birthdays were celebrated at the card party in Londonderry on March 12, 2012. The young-at-heart card players in Londonderry included: Margaret Barnes, left, celebrating her 84th; Shep Scott his 98th and Helen Slack 90, on the right, sister-in-law to Margaret. (Submitted)

At the card party on March 12, two of our popular card players celebrated a birthday. Shep Scott turned 98 and Margaret Barnes 84. These two regular players enjoy their game and always look forward to the weekly event at the Community Centre. Birthday wishes are also extended to Ruth Casey who celebrated her birthday on March 14. Council meetings are held on the first Thursday of the month at 7 pm. Everyone is invited to attend. New members are needed. Card parties are held on Monday nights at 7 pm. A light lunch is served.

Contact Amanda Langille for hall rental inquiries 668-2300

# How Will You “IGNITE THE SPIRIT”?

By Heather Fraser  
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As we draw closer to the finished product at the construction site on Abenaki Road, the new Central Nova Scotia Civic Centre is making great progress towards opening day. Construction continues to move along smoothly with steel being erected on the aquatic and fitness centre side of the facility. The part not visible when driving by the site also continues to take shape - inside the event arena. Structural Steel in this area for the 2600 seats as well as the concrete slab for the 3 lane walking/running track has been completed making it easier to imagine yourself sitting in the centre enjoying a great concert or the much anticipated walking/jogging track. While we are excited to watch the progress taking place there is still much work ahead at the construction site, along with the \$5 million Ignite the Spirit Community Campaign.

Recently, the Ignite the Spirit Campaign team announced the milestone of reaching the \$4 million mark. This announcement created much excitement in the community but there's no time to sit back and revel in this achievement. With \$1 million left to raise the campaign team will need the community's help to reach the finish line of the \$5 million campaign. Funds raised from the Ignite the Spirit Campaign go directly towards the construction of the new Civic Centre; the remaining funding has come from the Municipality of Colchester, Town of Truro, Federal Government of Canada and the Province of Nova Scotia. Our new health and wellness centre will be an integral part of this region as it will be a gathering place for recreation, education and entertainment. It is important to remember that the centre will be much more than a place to skate - it will

have the functionality to host large events such as concerts and trade shows providing new opportunities for our Region and a lasting impact on the health and well-being of our citizens, both young and old.

There are many ways to support the Ignite the Spirit Campaign including the “Name that Seat” campaign. Members of the community expressed an interest in leaving their personal mark on this great achievement for our community. To accommodate this interest, the campaign team is excited to provide an opportunity for individuals and/or businesses to place a personalized plaque on a seat in the arena or in the bleacher seating area of the aquatics centre. A permanent plaque will be engraved with your name, your business name and/or logo, or can be placed in memory of a loved one or in honor of a family member. The cost per seat is \$500 and you will receive an official tax receipt for the full amount. Once a seating plan is complete you will have the opportunity to pick the seat you would like your plaque to be placed on. This opportunity comes on a first come, first serve basis, so don't hesitate - buy your seat today!

## So How Will You “Ignite the Spirit”?

There are many ways to give a gift - cash, cheque, credit card, debit or stock transfer. One time gifts or multi-year pledges are also welcome. Donating is easy. Simply visit our website at [www.ignitethespirit.ca](http://www.ignitethespirit.ca) or contact our campaign office at [ignitethespirit@colchester.ca](mailto:ignitethespirit@colchester.ca) or by phoning (902) 893-9706.



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