

PHOTO FEATURE

The 34th Truro Sport Heritage Awards were presented in a gala event held at the Best Western Glengarry. Host Bruce Rainnie, Executive Director of the Nova Scotia Sport Hall of Fame and former host of the CBC News emceed the event, Sunday, March 4th, 2018. Photos and Bios can be found throughout this issue of the Shoreline Journal.



Maurice Rees, publisher The Shoreline Journal presented the Truro Centurions Swim Club with the new Legacy Award. Pictured above are: Richard Isnor, Amilia McLeod, Robin Norris, Maurice Rees, David Mills, Holly Wright, Eleanor Norrie and Jennine Garrett.

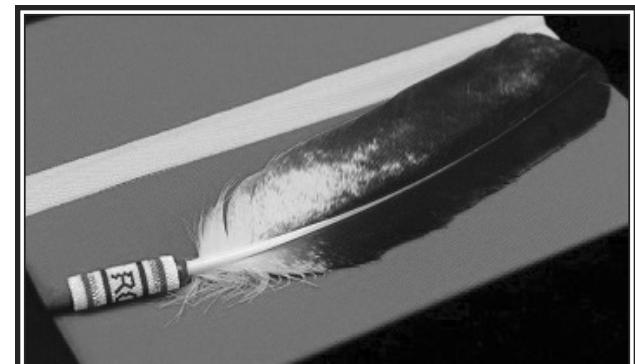
Shoreline Journal Sport Legacy Award

The Truro Centurions Swim Club is celebrating 40 years of successful competitive swimming from 1977 to 2017. In the Summer of 1977, the Truro Sharks Summer team swam out of the Victoria Park Pool winning the Summer Provincial Championships. When the Truro Centennial Pool opened in the fall of 1977 it was also the beginning of the Winter Club. Dave Mills was at the helm as coach with Jake Borden joining him shortly thereafter. The name Centurions was based on the Roman Legion and the golden eagle was chosen as the team symbol. That first year 11 swimmers qualified for the Provincial Championships.

Since its inception in 1977, the Truro Centurions has pro-

duced numerous Canada Games athletes including 3 swimmers who just attended the 2017 Canada Summer Games in Winnipeg, National qualifiers and University Varsity Swimmers. Our current Head Coach, Miranda Bates has continued with the tradition of having our swim alumni return to the club. Many coaches over the years have been integral to the success of the organization.

The Truro Centurions Swim Club has stood the test of time due to the dedicated volunteers, generous sponsors, high achieving swimmers, supportive parents and great coaches. We continue to produce highly trained athletes while grooming our children for the challenges of the future.



The Eagle feather was distributed to all 54 RCMP detachments on March 8th. (Government House photo)

Eagle feather an Option to Swear Legal Oaths

Elder Jane Abram of Millbrook First Nations cleansed the eagle feathers through a smudging ceremony and Keptin Donald Julien, Executive Director, Confederacy of Mainland Mi'kmaq, offered a blessing after Clifford Paul of Membertou presented the significance of the eagle feather.

Nova Scotia RCMP first launched the eagle feather initiative in October 2017 to detachments whose area included an Indigenous community. All 54 RCMP detachments in Nova Scotia will have an eagle feather available.

eagle feather.

As part of the initiative, each detachment will display a poster in English, French and Mi'kmaq explaining how the eagle feather may be used. Eagle feather background: When a client enters a detachment to provide a statement, they will be given three options; to swear on a Bible, affirm or affirm with an eagle feather. The eagle feather may also be offered as a comfort for a client when interacting with employees at the detachment.

The eagle feather can be used in the same way as a Bible or affirmation and may also be offered as a comfort for a client when interacting with employees at a detachment. All clients including victims, witnesses and police officers will have the option to swear legal oaths on an eagle feather.

The eagle feather can be used by all citizens. Should the client wish to use the eagle feather, it would be held by the client while providing their evidence or statement.

Jimmy the Janitor in Wentworth

By Hope Bridgewater

Jimmy the Janitor, a stand-up comedian, filled the Wentworth Learning Centre with a big crowd and

received an excellent reception with repeated laughter from ages ranging teenagers to seniors. He appeared on stage wearing a yellow cap with Jimmy

printed on it; a janitor's blue suit with a janitor's tool belt; red janitor's tool box on a table in front of him and a Cape Breton accent.

His comedy reflected everyday culture of Maritime life in a humorous way. For instance as examples, he read letters to him asking for advice about problems,

letters to him from his mother, being stopped by the police, and grocery shopping. He did reading from two of his books: funny poetry and a story about a hissing snake. He showed musical talent by singing a song. He has a type of comedy people in the Wentworth area relate to and he covered all ages.

Jimmy the Janitor has a second name as well: Sandy Gillis. The reason Jimmy the Janitor is so talented is he takes lessons from Sandy whose remarkable biography helps to understand why Jimmy is such a great performer.

Sandy Gillis is a native Cape Bretoner, now living in Prince Edward Island. After 25 years in broadcasting, he retired as partner and an Operating Director of the Maritime Broadcasting System to pursue his "funny business" as comedian "Jimmy the Janitor." The jovial janitor has 11 CD's to date, a successful nationally syndicated radio show, many comedy appearances on CBC Radio-TV and the Comedy Network, is a founding member of "Late Night Live," and the Hub Cap Comedy Review. He has one

movie under his belt, was a principal player in the TV series "Daring and Grace" and performs at conferences and theatres in Canada and the United States.

On his more serious side, Sandy is a former United Way Campaign Chairman, past Chairman of the Scottish Association, a former Director of the East Coast Music Association, past Chairman of the Chamber of Commerce, and past Chairman of the Friends of the Moncton Hospital Foundation. Sandy has also been the Chamber of Commerce Volunteer of the Year in 1998, 2001, and 2016.

Sandy and wife Kathy have five pretty much grown up children and three grandchildren. In brief to sum the event up: Jimmy the Janitor gave a great performance and helped make life a joyful experience for the crowd at the Wentworth Learning Centre in 2018.



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Jimmy the Janitor performed a comedy act at the Learning Centre, Wentworth. (Submitted)

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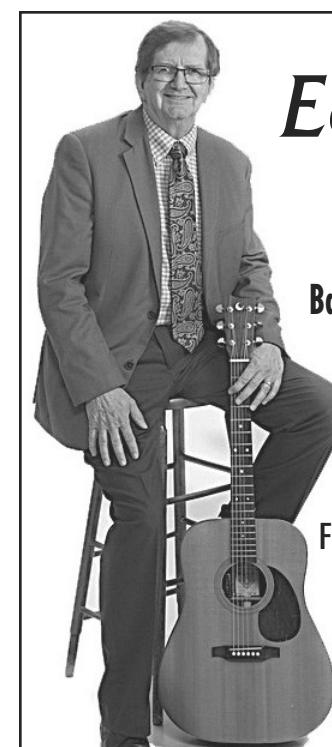
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