

Parrsboro Band Hall renovations becoming visible

By David Towns

The Parrsboro Band Association has been working on renovating The Hall for some time now, but to date, most of the renovations have been structural and therefore

invisible to the public: replacing a corner support for the tower to prevent it from falling into the street, replacement of a large portion of the sills to keep the main floor on the main floor, and replace-

ment of elements of the roof, to prevent further interior deterioration.

Other elements addressed were once again invisible but necessary to ensure the safety of the public using the facility: new fire extinguishers, refurbishment of the electrical panel, installation of new toilet and sink; renewal of the fire extinguishers, and bringing the furnace room up to fire code with the isolation of the furnaces behind a firewall, complete with steel door. Even the simple installation of a grate over a drain has helped to enhance the safety and appearance of the facility... a little thing that no one notices when it is there, but certainly sees as neglect when it is not.

And now, finally, the long awaited exterior painting has started, stopped by weather, started, and stopped by mud (that's another story) and this morning started up again with the commencement of the primer coat. Given just a few days of decent weather the community should see not just the primer, but the historic 'ivory' topcoat as well before winter sets in for serious.

This visible evidence of progress is reflected by the difference to the interior that has been made in the past several months. The new paint is in place, brightening and lightening the entire interior, while the rest of the trim should be completed in the very near future. Next will be a light spray coat over the acoustic tiles to give the entire interior of the main hall a brilliance it has not seen in many, many years. (Never mind that... just note the gleam on the floors!!!)

Other changes to the inte-

rior which will enhance its appearance are the removal of the dusty, depressing black curtains around the fixed seating, removal of some the 'ad hoc' changes which had been hastily installed in the past, renewal and repainting of the washrooms, stairwell and hall leading to them, and painting of the foyer to greet visitors with an immediate sense of freshness and renewed purpose.

All this has been made possible this year as there have been no major and costly structural issues to deal with. The initiative by the Board to engage sponsors for the new curtains for each window has resulted in the funding to create new ones for each and every window in the main hall.

The Board has this year surged ahead, making The Hall a more appealing location to come to see movies, art shows concerts by professional musicians and local bands etc and is actively seeking to branch out its use of the facility to such things as youth dances and craft shows...

Whatever can be imagined.

The amazingly generous offer from the Shoreline Journal of a multiyear fund raising partnership whereby the Band Association will earn income from subscriptions sold in the area is appreciated beyond what anyone can possibly express. A partnership of this nature as a long term project reinforces the feeling that The Hall is not just for Parrsboro, but for the entire Parrsborough Shore, (using the term in the historical sense).

David Towns is a Bandsman and volunteer to the Parrsboro Band Association



Early November brought a new coat of paint to the Parrsboro Band Hall. Repairs have been ongoing, but only now are they becoming visible. (Towns Photo)



Not only has the interior of the Band Hall been updated with a fresh coat of paint, also look at the gleaming floors. (Towns Photo)



Rotting sills required extensive work to the Parrsboro Band Hall. Now that repairs are being completed, more community usage of the hall is anticipated. (Towns Photo)

Parrsboro Tree Lighting November 26th

By Frank Hartman

The Parrsboro and District Board of Trade will be hosting their Annual Tree Lighting event on Friday, November 26 starting at 6:30 PM.

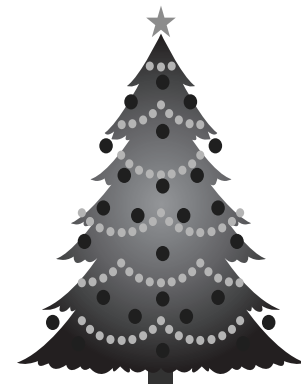
Children are encouraged to bring a homemade ornament to hang on the Christmas Tree, and enter their name in the Tree Lighting Draw. At 7:00 PM, the crowd will be welcomed and the name of the lucky child who will light the 2010 Town Christmas Tree will be drawn.

There will be Christmas music, carol singing, complimentary hot chocolate & cookies, and lots of festive fun! And the fun doesn't end there... There will be free movie, "ANGEL SQUARE" presented by the Parrsboro Band Association Film Society at the Band Hall on King Street following the tree lighting event.

The Santa Claus Parade hosted by the Parrsboro and District Board of Trade will be held on Friday, December 3rd starting at 6 PM at the PRHS parking lot on King Street.

Parade Route: Starting at PRHS parking lot on King Street, proceeding down King onto Main Street, up to Jenks Avenue, down Jenks to Templar Street, up Templar onto Eastern Avenue, up Eastern to Main Street, down Main to end at Ship's Company Theatre Parking Lot. To enter a float in the parade please call Donna Babineau at 254-3808.

Following the parade there will be a reception at the Band Hall where you can have your picture taken with Santa Claus, pick up your parade prizes and enjoy some great refreshments.



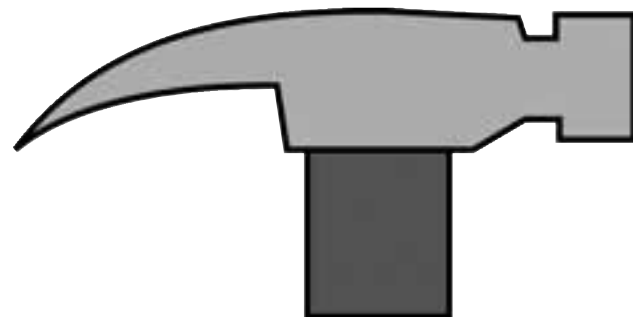
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