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FRONT PAGE BRIEFS December 2011

Angels Remembered Trees in the Truro area are located at Truro Mall until December 18 and Masstown Market, December 2 -11. The initiative is organized by The Colchester East Hants Hospice Society.

Do you know a business which will be celebrating it's 40th Anniversary in 2012? The Shoreline Journal is organizing a special promotion / contest which will be open only to area businesses, which started in 1972. We are asking for submission of these business names, by January 15th. Contest details will be announced in February issue? Contact Maurice Rees, publisher, at 902-647-2968 or email: maurice@theshorelinejournal.com

The Colchester East Hants Hospice Society is bringing the Rick Mercer show to Truro on May 10th at the CEC Theatre, Truro. Tickets are \$50.00 each and are on sale at MacQuarrie's, Esplanade, Truro; online at www.ticketpro.ca, or 1-888-311-9090.

Early Deadline for the January issue of the Shoreline Journal, which will be published on December 21st. Deadline is 12 noon, Tuesday, December 13th. For information contact Maurice Rees, publisher, 902-647-2968, email: maurice@theshorelinejournal.com

CoRDA's Destination Colchester along with the Truro Bearcats and the Civic Centre Committee made a presentation in Moncton on November 26th to host the 2013 Fred Page Cup. The Fred Page Cup is the Eastern Canadian Junior A Hockey Championship that sees the Bogart Cup champions of the Central Junior Hockey League, the Kent Cup champions of the Maritime Hockey League, La Coupe NAPA champions of the Quebec Junior AAA Hockey League and a host team compete to advance to the Royal Bank Cup. The Bearcats have participated in the Fred Page Cup three times. That took place twice as the Bearcats were Maritime Hockey League champions and once as the 'Cats were playing host to the event in 2002. Truro-Colchester is competing with Amherst for the event.



The Cenotaph in Five Islands, with Canada flags flying. The Shoreline Journal is proud to provide extensive coverage of our areas Remembrance Day Services on pages 21 to 25.

Age of Sail Museum Expansion Full Steam Ahead

By **Oralee O'Byrne**

On Nov 20 members of the Greville Bay Shipbuilding Museum Society (Age of Sail) joined representatives of the Municipal, Provincial and Federal Governments, CRDA and local community in a \$264,000+ announcement

for funding to the completion of the museums new Wind and Wave Building. ACOA is funding \$130,000 for this phase, the province \$75,000, and the Municipality of Cumberland County \$34,000. This along with \$25,000 raised by the Greville Bay

Shipbuilding Museum Society will be used for finishing construction of the new building, a wharf and kiosk as well as enhanced signage and landscaping. Cumberland, Colchester and Musquodobit Valley MP Scott Armstrong congratulated the society and

community on their determination and hard work. Cumberland North MLA Brian Skabar spoke of how the expansion will help build a stronger economy in the area. Gerald Read, District 1 Councillor for the Municipality of Cumberland County also congratulated the society and spoke of the strength of tourism in our area.

The half model shaped building will highlight exhibits relating to the seafarers of the area. The lower level will host a public meeting space as well as research area and an archival storage room. The wharf will run along the river to a kiosk depicting the shipyard once located on the site.

The project has been in the works for several years and has suffered several setbacks including the loss of key contributors Stan Spicer, Dr. John Wagstaff, Sid Hughes and Ross Colins. "This isn't just about needed space," curator Oralee O'Byrne claims "it's about realizing the dreams of these amazing people who envisioned the building and put so much of themselves into this center."

The building committee, headed by society president Ohra Colins, has worked tire-

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The leaves have now fallen, the soft forest floor makes walking a quiet interlude. This year fall colours in the Economy Mountain area of Cumberland and Colchester created a photographer's paradise. I have been in many areas of North America and seen fall colours, but this year ours rival the very best. The Moose River area was especially fantastic, and many images were taken there over just a 7 day period. Off to a slow start, the leaves gained momentum and crested all at once. I hosted the Sackville NS camera club who had planned a trip drawn to the beauty of our shoreline and they arrived at the perfect time for foliage. Our shoreline is one of those 'Secret Places' that visitors need to be made more aware of. (Lawrence R. Nicoll Photo)

"Only a Matter of Time" says Taggart



Another accident has occurred at the Masstown intersection of Highway #2 and #4. Two vehicles collided just before the supper hour on Sunday, Nov. 27th. Two ambulances transferred multiple patients to hospital with undetermined injuries.

District 10 Councillor Tom Taggart voiced his concerns with the Masstown Intersection, and the number of accidents that have occurred at this location, at a County Council meeting back on August 25, 2011. He said he would like to see accident reports from the RCMP for the past five years to determine if there is enough evidence to support going to the provincial Department of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal with a request for flashing lights at this intersection. A motion was passed for the RCMP to be contacted by Council to see how to correct the traffic accident problem at this intersection.

The RCMP conducted a 90 minute radar check at the Masstown intersection in October and reported the average

speed of vehicles was between 65 and 70km/hr. The posted speed is 70km/hr.

Councillor Taggart was quite upset when he heard about this latest accident. "I hate to say I told you so but it is only a matter of time before there is a fatality at this location," he says. "I cannot for the life of me understand why there is such a struggle to get a light installed." He says he will be bringing the matter up again at the next Council meeting. "We just received a report back from the RCMP late last week and it says there was only one vehicle accident at this intersection in 2011. I am going to ask them to have another look at their statistics, as I am sure I have seen more than one accident over the last year."

Councillor Taggart feels this issue is of the utmost importance. "I am not going to stop until I get a proper traffic analysis done. Summer traffic is much worse and therefore the potential for accidents much greater," he says.

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