



Glenda MacDonald brought her very special quilt to the Great Village Legion Remembrance Banquet. The quilt was started on Aug 4th, 2014 on the 100th Anniversary of the date war was declared, and the final stitch was added during the moment of silence on Nov. 11th, 2018 the 100th Anniversary of Armistice. (Harrington Photo)

Quilt Commemorates 100TH Anniversary

By Linda Harrington

Glenda MacDonald, of Hilden, has just finished a very special project commemorating the signing of armistice on Nov 11, 1918. "It was something I felt I just had to do so I decided to make a crazy quilt because this was the only format to do justice to all the chaos of WWI," she said at the unveiling of her quilt during Legion Branch 72 Remembrance Day Banquet in Great Village.

The quilt was started on Aug 4th, 2014 on the 100th Anniversary of the date war was declared, and the final stitch was added during the moment of silence on Nov. 11th, 2018.

A great deal of research went into making the quilt and Glenda has compiled all the information into a booklet she keeps with the quilt. Embroidered onto the squares are facts such as the name of great battles, the number of Canadi-

ans killed in action, and even the names of every ship in the Canadian Navy in 1914 (which she jokes was only two, the HMCS Niobe and Rainbow). There are some interesting items attached to the quilt as well including poppies in different formats and even a 1918 Canadian penny.

The research brought a heavy heart to the seamstress as she learned what the troops went through for those long four years. "This was the most emotional piece of work I have ever done," says Glenda. "I had to put it away for months at a time."

Glenda is the wife of Wilson MacDonald, the Royal Canadian Legion Zone 10 Commander, and his grandfather served in WWI and WWII. "I hope to hang this quilt in the house every Nov. 11th and open up discussion with our grandchildren," she says.

Talking Circles to be held December 5TH

The Nova Scotia Environmental Network and the Colchester East Hants Library will present the second in a series of talking / learning circles on December 5 from 6-8 pm. The event has received partial funding from the Truro Community Health Board.

"Ego to Eco: Four Talking Circles Learning the Mi'kmaw Calendar to Experience How

Human & Ecological Health are Interdependent.

The circles will be lead by Mi'kmaw Firekeeper, Joe Michael and/or Mi'kmaw filmmaker Catherine Martin. The event will be held in Read Room, Colchester/East Hants Library, 754 Prince Street in Truro from 6-8 pm on December 5.

Council Approves \$100,000 to Colchester 4-H Council

By Maurice Rees

Councillor Ron Cavanaugh reported to council committee on great progress being made by the Colchester 4-H Council in completing improvements and undertaking other improvements at the 4-H barn at NSPE.

During the budgeting process last spring council denied the 4-H request for \$100,000 grant over a four year period, over concerns about working of the lease with the Province and even though 4-H had built the barn. The matter was handled by the province and the 4-H council now has a deed to the property, and the province has been forthcoming with significant funding.

In August the 4-H council appeared before council committee seeking and being awarded an emergency injection of \$30,000 to complete electrical and door repairs to the 4-H barn, so it could be used during the Provincial Exhibition. At the same time the province announced additional funding.

With the issue of ownership of the building and possession of a deed to the property being resolved Cavanaugh was asking council to revert back to the original \$100,000 request. After discussion by councillors who were singing the praises of the 4-H Council and their goals council committee approved the \$100,000 request. The funds will be dispersed as needed,



but will be budgeted over four years. Councillor Parker was the only NAY vote on the motion.

Councillor Mike Gregory advised council committee of his concern and the concern of residents in his area when it was learned the Tatamagouche Library refused to allow the Legion to put a "poppy box" in the library. Councillors quickly rose to the occasion authorizing a letter to be sent to the library board, expressing concern; requesting in future the library cooperate with the legion, and council had helped fund the library.

In another matter, Councillor Taggart expressed concern motorists are getting storm stayed on Cobequid Pass when the toll highway section on Hwy 104 was recently closed for 2-3 hours. Council committee agreed with Taggart's request, seconded by Councillor Boutilier to send a letter to NSTIR asking why the warning lights were not working; what is the protocol to put plows on the highway, and an update on what plans are being put in place to avoid motorists being delayed on the highway.

Governments Push Forward On Zero-Plastic-Waste Strategy

Federal, provincial, and territorial environment ministers agreed to push forward on a Canada-wide zero-plastic-waste strategy. The strategy outlines a vision to keep plastics in the economy and out of the environment through solutions to better prevent, reduce, reuse, and clean up plastic waste.

With its circular-economy approach, the strategy addresses plastics throughout their life cycle. This means: Ensuring all plastic products and packaging are designed for greater durability, reuse, and recycling throughout the value chain; working with companies that make products containing plastics or

using plastic packaging to shift responsibility to them for the improvement of plastic-waste collection, management systems, and infrastructure across Canada; expanding collection systems to keep all plastic products in the economy and out of the environment; significantly increasing the responsible use and recycling of



Check out the creativity of the trees and all the crafts at the Trees and Crafts Festival from November 30 to December 2 in Middle Musquodoboit. (Submitted)

FESTIVAL OF TREES Middle Musquodoboit

The annual celebration of trees and crafts in the Musquodoboit Valley will be held at the Natural Resources/Musquodoboit Valley Education Centres, 12014/12046 Hwy 224, Middle Musquodoboit on November 30th - December 2nd.

Family and friends can enjoy a relaxing stroll through many natural balsam fir trees decorated by local community groups and businesses. Attendees can enjoy hot apple cider, gingerbread at the Trees

display and lunch at our Christmas Café.

High quality craftsmanship of many items in the craft show section will be available from more than 90 crafters.

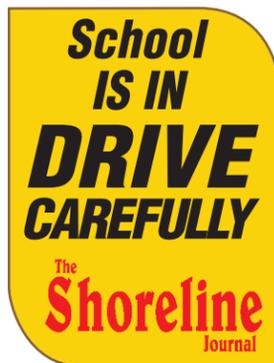
The weekend event will be held Friday, November 30 - Tree Lighting & Musical Entertainment, 6:00 - 8:00 pm; Saturday, December 1 - Tree Display & Craft Show, 10:00 am - 4:00 pm and Sunday, December 2 - Tree Display & Craft Show, 11:00 am - 4:00 pm.

single-use products; improving our understanding of the issue and solutions through research and innovation; and taking action to capture and remove the plastic litter found on shorelines and in nearshore waters.

In a conference call on November 23rd, ministers agreed to continue to work over the coming year with all levels of government, Indigenous com-

munities, industry, and other stakeholders to develop an action plan to implement the strategy for zero plastic waste

Minister McKenna has served as president of the Council since November 2017. The Government of Canada wishes Nova Scotia well as incoming president of the Canadian Council of Ministers of the Environment for 2019.





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