

The Snow Child

The talented local drama group (DAE) presented The Snow Child on Saturday, Dec. 9th. Local youth actors and actresses did an excellent job with their performances on stage at the Debert Legion under the direction of Chris Turner. (Harrington Photos)



Cast of The Snow Child (left to right)- Emily Lerette, Alexis Tonery, Maia Sloan, Remy Poelzer, Nicole Geldart, Josie Johnson, Ceilidh McKay and Andrea Muise.



The children during a scene in The Snow Child. Left to right- Pavel-Andrea Muise, Anushka-Ceilidh McKay, Irena- Nicole Geldart, Masha-Alexis Tonery and Sonya-Josie Johnson.



Josie Johnson and Nicole Geldart serve tea and sweets during intermission of the Snow Child.

Illegal Dumping Hard To Prosecute

By Maurice Rees

J P Wood, Colchester's enforcement office regarding illegal dumping and two of his counterparts from across the province participated in the two day waste management conference with a Friday morning overview of Litter and illegal dumping. Taggart's report on the conference stated there was plenty of discussion about different programs, who is to blame and that it is hard to prosecute. Even though different methods have been tried to prevent, no one method has been totally successful.

Final speaker at the conference was Marcus Goodick of Enviro Culture Consulting, who talked about the 3 R's with an emphasis on our throw away economy; the circular economy and the need to make new products from recycled products. Goodick spoke about people waiting in line for hours and paying big dollars for the newest fastest and high-tech cell phone and the ability to buy parts and pieces and putting one together himself.

Councillor Taggart referenced discussions during recent FCM meetings with a councillor from Vagerville, Alberta who talked about the Provincial research facility in their community which focuses on growing Hemp. At the research facility the two products receiving a lot of focus are the oil from the seeds and the hemp stock is so strong that it is actually being used to construct automobile parts which will be greener and more favorable in terms of GHG emissions than steel and is as more easily recycled.

Now that it is Christmas time a number of

people are finding approximately half of the cheap lights, mostly from China, don't work. They simply throw them away and purchase another set. Last month, as a Divert NS Board Member, the guest speaker at the Mobius award on environmental excellence was the author of "The Junk Yard Planet". As part of the slide presentation, the author showed slides of recycling in China. One example was the Multi Million dollar industry of recycling all the cheap Christmas light from around the world.

Taggart concluded his report to waste management conference report to council by stating understanding waste management has become a personal passion. He feels from attending meetings and conferences the information, knowledge and contacts he has made ranging from different officials in DOE, Consultants, Municipal officials, plus managers and operators of solid waste and recycling facilities will be beneficial to the Municipality.



A Christmas Recipe

Just before deadline, Chris Urquhart send in this Christmas recipe. Thought those of you are still in the kitchen or haven't made up your mind might appreciate something different.

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3 egg yolks • 1 cup butter
2 teasp. Vanilla
2 teasp. Lemon juice
2 tablesp. Cream
2 cups flour

Mix butter and flour. Beat egg yolks slightly, add cream & vanilla and beat into flour mixture. Chill. Put on a floured surface and roll out thin. Cut into circles. Put a spoonful of jam and a walnut in the center and fold over. Bake at 375°F Will puff up and turn golden brown. This is an old favorite recipe passed down for at least 5 generations on my Mother's side of the family!

Chris Urquhart is the dedicated author of Masstown Community News and several other interesting articles on a monthly basis.



Dimitri, the Toymaker (played by Remy Poelzer) and his wife Katya (played by Maia Sloan) meet their snow child (played by Emily Lerette) for the very first time.

Only 2 Designated Employers

Only two companies from Colchester and none from Cumberland are registered as designated employers under the Atlantic Immigration Pilot and that concerns Bill Casey, MP for Cumberland-Colchester. Casey's additional concern is of the 49 designated only 20 are in rural areas.

"This is an incredible opportunity to recruit medium-

to high-skilled workers from anywhere in the world, and it is only available to Atlantic Canadian companies," says Casey. "We are one year into a 3-year pilot and the numbers suggest companies in our area are not taking full advantage of this unique opportunity."

Unlike immigrants to other

parts of Canada, immigrants under the pilot are able to apply for permanent residency right away. Normally an immigrant must have worked in Canada for at least a year before even applying.

More information can be found on-line or by contacting the office of Bill Casey, MP.



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Local Area Church Services

By Christine Urquhart

Church services for the remainder of December and into January are as follows:
Sunday December 24th Christmas Eve - 10 am Glenholme with Sunday School.

There will be no evening service but both the Debert Baptist Church and Trinity United in Onslow have invited us to join them for their 7pm service.
December 31st - 10 am in Debert.

Starting in January all our services for the month of January will be at 10 am in Debert with Sunday School.
We welcome you to each and every one of our services!



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