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The Hall Rehearsals

Pop Up Displays In Parrsboro

10 Days in October featured "pop up" displays at several locations. Lawrence R Nicoll participated in the event at the band stand, and provided photos of displays at that locations. Otto Hatton was on Main Street painting while Alan Norsworthy and Cindy Walker had displays at the Glooscap Restaurant.

Rosemary Rowntree of the Parrsboro Board & Trade is contact for many of the activities held until the 10th in an effort to extend the tourism season farther into the fall, and to create some excitement for local residents.

Events of this type are a great way to provide additional exposure within the community to local artisans. (See more pictures on page 2)



PopUp Toodlez Doodlez



Pop up - Oliver Hatton display



Pop up - Weaving Studio Sign

The Sound of Music is Alive Again at The Hall

By Patricia Burke

With the easing of restrictions of COVID 19, the Board of The Hall in Parrsboro with the advice of Director of Music, Rob Bentley, have decided to start rehearsals for the Parrsboro Citizens' Choir and the Strummers. The Choir started their rehearsals on Thursday, Oct. 14 at 7 pm. There was a wonderful turnout and new voices were welcomed.

If you are interested in the joining the Choir drop by every second Thursday evening and speak with Director David Towns. The Strummers will be starting to rehearse soon so contact Rob Bentley. With both rehearsals there will be strict protocols that will be followed. You will

need to show proof of double vaccination as well masks are mandatory.

After 30 minutes of rehearsals they vacate the auditorium and fans will be turned on to circulate the air out of the building. They will return for the last half of the rehearsal and finish. On finishing rehearsal those attending will wipe down the chairs and stands they use. This is our plan to keep everyone safe who enters The Hall. Movies for all at The Hall have resumed as well on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday evening at 7:30 pm. You will not need to reserve your spot. The protocols will be followed. You will need to show proof of double vaccination and masks will be mandatory. The canteen will be open again serving pop-

corn and soft drinks and coffees.

As we have outlined, The Hall is cautiously moving forward in its reopening plans. We want to make our facility as safe as possible against COVID 19.

I came back and entered the Board of Directors at The Hall at the meeting October 13. I was on a leave of absence due to surgery. At the September meeting Vice Chair Steve Johnson stepped down to travel plans. At the October 19 David Forbes agreed to assume the position of Vice Chair until our yearly AGM. Clarissa Mc Cully was welcomed as a board member at the meeting as well and has assumed the position of Recording Secretary.

Hopefully in the New Year we will be able to do more fundraisers which our supporters are used to having.

Don't forget we are accepting memberships and they will be for 2022. We have a wonderful membership group. For \$15 you get to hear about wonderful concerts we sponsor in the hall and that allows you to get tickets before anyone else. That is just 1 perk. Go to www.thehall.ca and you can download a form or drop by the hall anytime when you see vehicles or the lights are on. You can also contact Nancy Curleigh who is our membership chair at 902-254-3598 to get a form.

Patricia Burke is Communications Chair, Parrsboro Band Association

Working Together to Support Health Care

In response to Nova Scotia Health's (NSH) decision to temporarily change the hours of the Collaborative Emergency Centre (CEC) at All Saints Springhill Hospital, municipal officials from the Cumberland region, MLAs Tory Rushton and Elizabeth Smith-McCrossin and a group of local health stakeholders, including those representing local hospital foundations and both physician and non-physician recruitment committees, met with senior staff of NSH on October 8th earlier this week in Springhill according to a press release issue on



October 8th.

Cumberland Mayor Murray Scott, Amherst Mayor David Kogon, Oxford Councillor Paul Jones, the MLAs, and the local stakeholders all expressed concerns and frustration with the present state of health care in the Cumberland region.

Nova Scotia Health officials provided the group with an update on the process that led to the temporary closure.

They committed to the future of All Saints Hospital, that the current changes were temporary and that Emergency Room services would be restored after the temporary reassignment of staff was complete. They also committed to regular updates for the community.

Those in attendance, 16 in all, have committed to work together to support the recruitment and retention of staff and

physicians to deliver programs and services at All Saints Hospital in Springhill,

North Cumberland Hospital in Pugwash, South Cumberland Community Care Clinic in Parrsboro, Bayview Memorial Health Centre in Advocate and Cumberland Regional Health Care Centre in Upper Nappan.

Nova Scotia Health, Cumberland region Mayors and MLA's, the community recruitment committees and health care foundations have all agreed to keep the lines of communication open as they work through this temporary closure.

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