



The annual Harvest for Hunger Nova Scotia Picnic was held on August 23rd at Captain Cob's Corn Maze. A group of supporters pose for a photo following the Church service, lead by Rev. Glenn MacLean. (Harrington Photo)

## Debert Skating Club

By Nicole Morse

Want to learn how to skate? The Debert Skating Club will be hosting registration for their CANSKATE and their STAR SKATE Program. This year we will also be having a mini ice show at the end of the year to display what the children have done. Registration for all these programs shall take place Saturday October 10th 2015 from 11-1pm at the West Colchester Arena.

The Debert Skating Club feels most fortunate to have Laura Farrow as the leader of our skating program again this year. Laura, of Amherst, is the 30 year old daughter of John and Janice Coleman. She began skating at the young age of 2 yrs and skated competitively throughout Atlantic Canada for more than 10 years. More recently, Laura skated professionally with "Disney on Ice" performing throughout the world in such shows as Monsters Inc., Mickey and Minnie's Magical Journey and High School Musical The Ice Tour. Laura is happy to be back home in Nova Scotia and is

proud to be coaching skating to children of all ages, sharing her passion for the ice with each of them.

There will be some skating supplies on hand as well as Kid Sport Grant Information! Skating begins October 17th

2015 and goes until March 19th 2016 (20 weeks) at the West Colchester Arena. If unable to make registration you can register on October 17th or contact the president of the Debert Skating Club, Nicole Morse 902-986-2405.

## CHURCH SERVICES for October

By Christine Urquhart

Church services for the month of October will be at 10am and rotating between our three Churches:

**October 4th - Debert,**  
**October 11th - Glenholme,**  
**October 18th - Masstown and**  
**October 25th - Debert.**

We will be having pulpit supply during the month of October as we have lost our regular minister. Come on out and let us know what you would like to see in a new minister! We will make you welcome.



We have Sunday School during each of these services and all children of all ages are welcome!



Joy Laking painting in Portauptique in September. (Laurie Gunn Photo)

## Elderhostel Sails into Port Greville

Submitted by Oralee O'Byrne

2015 has seen an increase in tourism, at least, at The Age of Sail Museum in Port Greville.

"This summer our stats are the best in the last 6 years" says Curator Oralee O'Byrne "We have had a great number of visitors from nearby and around the world. Whether in part to the fall of the Canadian dollar or an increase in awareness of the area I can't be sure but I can say it is not simply a huge influx of Americans."

In fact visitors have come from as far as Australia, New Zealand and Hong Kong as well as the UK, Europe, the US and Canada. The museum is constantly adding to their collection and working to add to and improve the site so there is appeal for repeat visitations. "Response to the centre is highly favourable and we strive to keep up our standards."

Ongoing work on the archival collections and storage set up continues. The museum is actively collecting archival content relative to the lumbering and ship-building history and local communities. If you have something you wish to donate contact the Curator at 902-348-2030 or 902-254-2079. A new boat deck around the existing mast has been built as an aesthetic feature with positive response.

An expanded Memorial/war display is also receiving very positive response. "In honor of the 100 yr anniversary of WWI and 75 for WWII we have expanded our display. Items have been loaned by the



Army Museum of Halifax and many local residents have made donations including photos for the wall of honour." Said curator Oralee O'Byrne "We will happily display photos of any of our local vets whether from as far back as WWI to those in the forces today." The museum also holds a free Armed Forces Luncheon every June for our vets.

Many groups have made The Age of Sail a stop this year including school groups, Elderhostel's, motorcycle rallies and bicycle rallies. One of the latest groups was the Elderhostel organized by The Fundy Geological Museum. The 17

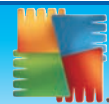
participants came from across the US from California to Boston Mass. and many points in between.

On Sept 26 a group of 50+ International Students will visit the museum, one of the biggest groups of the year. The centre is also happy to see the use of their centre by local groups for meetings and the start of workshops at the centre. The Museum has space for use for a variety of purposes. If you would like more information please contact the Curator.

The museum and café are open until the 18th of October 10-6 except for Tuesdays and Wednesday.



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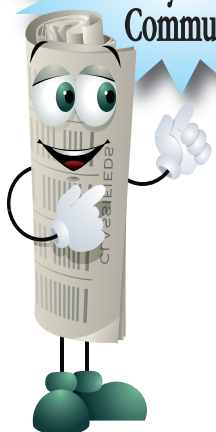
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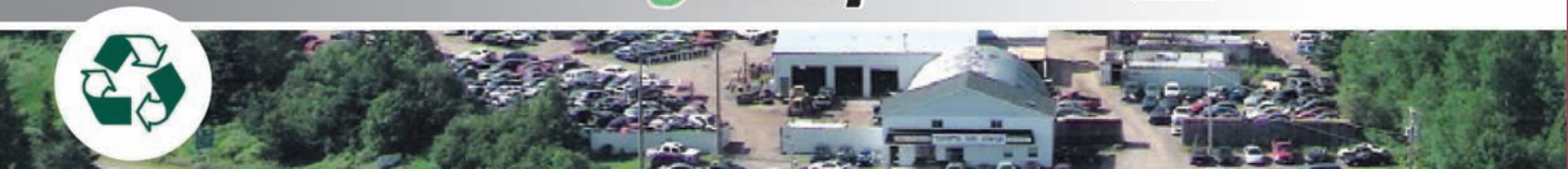
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