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## Meet the Candidates September 28<sup>TH</sup>

The Parrsboro and Area Board of Trade is sponsoring a public "Meet the Candidates" event on Wednesday, September 28th starting at 7pm at The Hall (44 King Street), Parrsboro. It's an excellent opportunity to learn more and ask questions before getting out to vote next month!

On behalf of the Parrsboro & District Board of Trade, our congratulations to Lisa Ward, Norman Rafuse, Sandy Graham, Randy Corcoran and Kürsten Kelly on their candidacy for Cumberland Municipal Councillor.

Each candidate will have a three minute opportunity to speak on their own behalf. This introductory time will be followed by a few questions from the Parrsboro & District Board of Trade that each candidate is invited to answer.

The floor will then be open for a public Q&A for the remaining 30 minutes. Light refreshments will be offered after the event presenting an opportunity for candidates to mingle with the public as they wish.



This generator works only 10-20 hours a year to supplement the Harrison's family's electrical needs. However, during maple season it works more often? Matthew and Bonnie Harrison have been selected as the Woodlot owner of the year for the Central Region, and the much larger recognition of 2016 Provincial Woodlot Owner of the Year. Talk about 'off-the-grid'! Due to the distance the Harrisons built their beautiful combined home/sugar camp from the existing powerline, they decided to live off the power grid by creating a large solar panel arrangement with backup generator capability. Story and more photos can be found on page 3, and on page 14 and 15 of the Shoreline Journal. (Rees Photo)

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## Donald Reid to join Order of Nova Scotia

By Maurice Rees

Donald R. Reid, known as "The Keeper of the Cliffs" will be inducted into the Order of Nova Scotia during ceremonies at Province House in Halifax on

October 12th. He is one of five to be inducted.

The others are: Françoise Elvina Baylis, Halifax; Freeman Douglas Knockwood, Shubenacadie; Arthur

Bruce McDonald, originally from Sydney and James Leonard Morrow, Avonport.

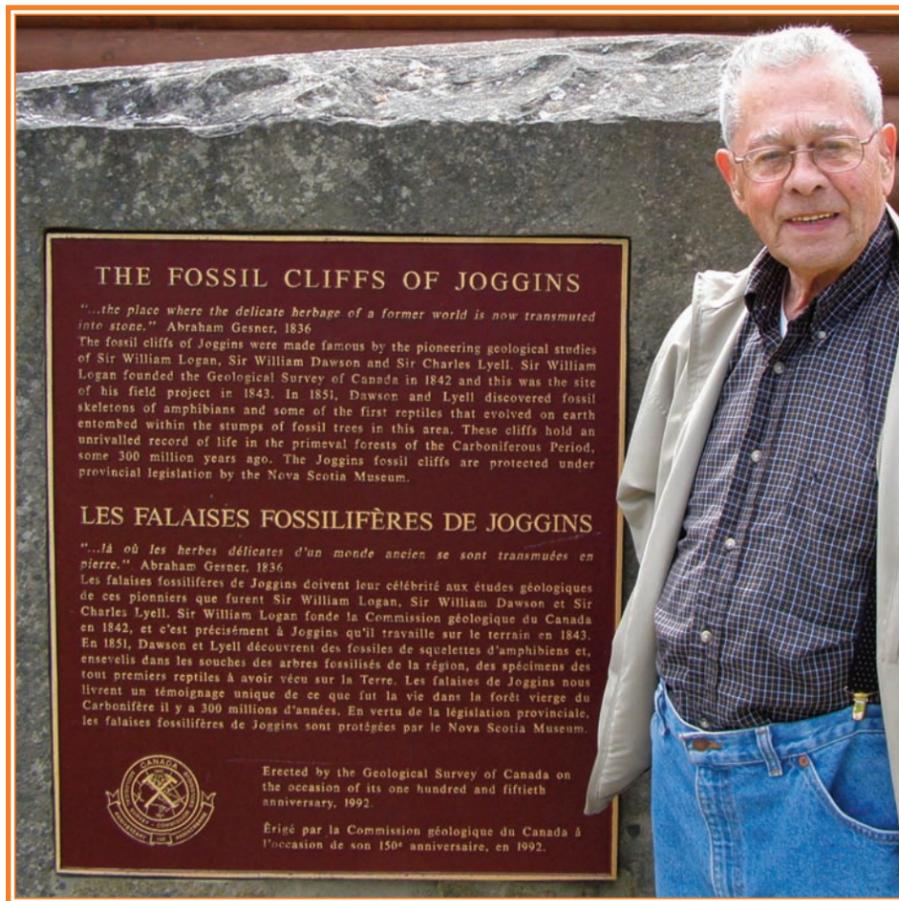
Mr Reid has gained province-wide recognition for his seven decades of passionate dedication to gather-

ing an amazing collection of fossils which now form the heart of the Joggins Fossil Centre.

Known locally as the Keeper of the Cliffs, Donald Reid's collection, which was 70 years in the making catalogues the world's most complete fossil record of terrestrial life of the Coal Age dating back 300 million years. His work was essential in securing the Joggins Fossil Cliffs designation as a United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization World Heritage Site

The 2016 recipients will be recognized at the 15th investiture ceremony on Oct. 12, at Province House in Halifax.

The Order of Nova Scotia was established in June 2001 and is the highest honour bestowed by the province. Since it was created, 82 recipients have been invested into the Order. Recipients have the right to use the initials O.N.S. after their names.



Donald R. Reid shown standing near the plaque of the Joggins Fossil Cliff centre what was established primarily as a result of his 70 years of collecting fossils. He is one of five people who will be inducted into the Order of Nova Scotia at ceremonies in Halifax in October. (Communications Nova Scotia Photo)

## Parrsboro Film Festival – Reaching Out To The World

By Robert More

Take a selection of compelling feature films, add some exciting documentaries, provide interactive feedback and discussion sessions, bring in an enthusiastic crowd of people who are passionate about the movies, and what do you get? The 2016 PARRSBORO FILM FESTIVAL, an intimate event that gives people the chance to experience some of the very best of contemporary films in an atmosphere that is up-close and personal with plenty of opportunity to mix and mingle with professional film makers and actors.

The line-up for Parrsboro's 6th Annual Film Festival is

sensational. It all kicks off at 6:00 pm on Friday October 21 with a Gala Opening providing food and live music, followed by the festival's first feature - Rwanda and Juliet, written and directed by Ben Proudfoot. A hit at the Atlantic Film Festival, this intriguing piece tells the story of a retired Dartmouth Professor Emeritus, Andrew Garrod, who travels to Rwanda to mount Romeo & Juliet with both Hutu and Tutsi college students, twenty years after the genocide that killed 1,000,000 Tutsis.

Saturday October 22 begins at 10:00 am with the Annual Short Film Competition which offers a

collection of wholly original and very powerful pieces. The post-lunch showing at 1:30 is Sleeping Giant, the first feature film for director, Andrew Cividino, which premiered in Cannes in 2015. Shot in Thunder Bay Ontario, Sleeping Giant marks an expansion in programming for The Parrsboro Film Festival as it is now beginning to include films from across Canada.

Following this, from 3:00 to 5:00 pm, is another innovation for this year's festival: our new "Talking About Film" session. This year's topic is "Talking About: The Drone Revolution", which opens with a 5:00 minute film from

NASA with an introduction by Doctor Lynn Rothschild. This kind of highly-relevant, hot-topic discussion is part and parcel of the PFF's desire to encourage discussion about complex, contemporary issues that are of deep interest to film makers around the world.

Saturday finishes off with two feature films in the evening. Helen Tyson, Festival programmer, isn't at liberty yet to provide any details. All she would say was: "There are still some big ones to come. Whatever you do -don't miss them!"

On Sunday October 23, the day begins at 10:00 am with a

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