



Karen Casey, MLA Colchester North, delivered approved funding to Mayor Christine Blair to continue the development of the Cobequid Trail. New funding will support connecting to the Fundy Discovery Site, as well as signage and the kiosk at the Trail Head in Lower Truro. (Submitted)



Karen Casey presents funding to the Tatamagouche and area Trails Association, who are responsible for building and maintaining 26 kms of the Short Line Trail. Pictured with Karen are: Chris Lavers, Carlon McCallum, Harrison LeFresne, Bob Gould and John Carlett. (Submitted)

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The provincial government has added \$6 million to the Nova Scotia Film Fund, for a total budget of \$26 million for 2019-20. For the 2019-20 fiscal year, NSBI has announced 51 productions with funding commitments of more than \$18.4 million, based on \$62.6 million in Nova Scotia spending by productions that have accessed the fund. There were 49 productions in total last fiscal, with a total funding commitment of \$22.9 million.

Jolene MacEachern of Debert has been appointed as a member of Invest Nova Scotia's board of directors today. George Karaphillis of East Bay, Cape Breton Regional Municipality was appointed at the same time. Both serve four-year terms on the board. Ms. MacEachern is manager of the Industry Liaison and Innovation Office at Dalhousie's Agricultural Campus in Truro, responsible for the agriculture and aquaculture portfolios. She co-owns Folly Farms, a 300-acre, 130-cattle dairy farm and understands the crucial role of data in successful farm management and the way we feed the world. For more information on Invest Nova Scotia, visit www.novascotia.ca/business/invest/

Rugby in Nova Scotia schools will look different, but it is returning to Nova Scotia high schools. The Nova Scotia School Athletic Federation (NSSAF) board of governors banned rugby last May. The ban lasted only a couple of days before being overturned by Education Minister Zach Churchill. Churchill decreed the sport's spring season continue and that concerns about safety be addressed over the summer. Administration of the sport was temporarily taken over by Rugby Nova Scotia. Discussions held over the summer are continuing. An email was sent to schools on September 16th which announced some of the changes including lowering the tackle height from the shoulder down to the waist in all youth competitions.

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rain, snow or any kind of escaped contaminants that might flow over the ground flow into what is called a leachate pond that is primarily treated and then flows via sewer system directly to the waste water treatment system. We have a fully enclosed system.

Therefore understanding how passionate I have been with regards to Waste to Energy, I am very comfortable with the existing

method and am not prepared to go down any road that has potential to increase the cost to taxpayers of disposing of our waste.

Hope this weather continues until at least Dec 24. Enjoy Tom

Tom Taggart is Municipal Councillor for Colchester District 10.

Joyce Eagles to be Recognized

By Maurice Rees

Council approved the future recognition of Joyce Eagles, one of the long-term volunteers and driving forces behind the Not Since Moses Run. Eagles is retiring from most of her volunteer duties and will no longer serve on Not Since Moses.

Council will decide at a later date, when and what form the recognition will take.

In other matters council discussed plans for the official opening of Phase 1, Fundy Discovery Site, which was held on Saturday, September 21. Photos of work in progress and the official opening festivities are printed on Pages 15, 16 & 17 of this issue.

Council gave approval for committee on September 12th to approve results of the Hub Centre Drive petitions. The

September 12th meeting concluded enough support was received from area businesses and the roadway will go to tender and be repaved this fall.

Colchester council has approved the inclusion of the Fundy Discovery Site into the Cliffs of Fundy GeoPark initiative now awaiting UNESCO approval. A joint application was made by Cumberland and Colchester council made earlier this summer and evaluators visited the area. Council's and the



steering committee are awaiting final decision by UNESCO.

A letter from Colchester Containers concerning a request for a municipal permit to accept Asbestos Waste materials at a site in Middle Stewiacke was moved from regular session to a closed session of council.

Chiganois Elementary Notes

By Linda Harrington

A warm welcome to new staff members Susan Cox, Grade 1/Reading Recovery, Sue Ash Grade 2/3 Math, Kayla Muholland Gr 4 & 5 French, and Shantel Hankey, Cook Wednesdays & Fridays.

The school motto is T.E.A.M. - "Together Everyone Achieves More".

The Chiganois Website & Facebook Page is used as a vital communication tool. The school believes in providing the extended school community with information on the happenings in and around the school and do so by posting these types of opportunities and events under the "Community" tab. On the school website is the monthly newsletters, calendar and menus, the parent handbook, communication plan, minutes from our PTG and SAC, emails for all staff and important notices from the school. It is a good idea to check the Website & Facebook Pages often to stay up to date with Chiganois news. For those that would rather a paper copy please notify the office and they will accommodate you in this.

In the interest of student safety, please telephone the school before 9:00 am and leave a message on school voicemail if your child is ill, absent from school or expected to be late. Office hours are 9:00 am to 4:00 pm. If your child is going to be late, parents are asked to enter the school and sign in your child. A card will be given to your child which they

will take to their teacher to let them know they've checked in at the office.

Virtue of the Month is Responsibility- I am responsible for my thoughts, words and actions. I am accountable for my choices. I admit my mistakes and work to correct them. People can depend on me to honour my commitments. I demonstrate active citizenship.

The theme for this year's Stand Up. Speak Out. initiative is "How to be an Ally". This initiative supports schools in their relational, culturally responsive and social justice approaches. This year's theme is intended to help reduce incidences of harm and improve school cli-

mate and a sense of belonging.

The new additions to the playground have been completed and look fantastic! Students have been making use, since school began, of the new features, especially the Walking Trail. Many community members are also making use of the trail and this is greatly encouraged. A reminder to everyone the trail is solely meant for walking & running. Please refrain from the use of bicycles and motorized vehicles on the trail. As well, please remember to use the garbage cans provided outside to discard any garbage.

The SAC met on Sept. 18th with an Open House from 6:00PM to 7:00PM, followed by the PTG meeting from 7:00 to 8:00PM.

Friday Sept 20th the entire

school went on a trip to the Cobequid Veterans Memorial Park in Bass River to celebrate the International Day of Peace. The children watched a play called "Peace is a Dream Unfolding" by Dr. Karen J. Ewing, followed by a picnic in the Park.

Everyone is welcome to join in the Terry Fox walk on September 27th. Remember to wear your orange shirts. Pie throwing for top fund raisers will be held in October. The school has raised \$35,000 in the past 6 years, making Chiganois #18 in all of Canada for 2018. This is very impressive for a small school, congratulations everyone!

There will be no school on September 30th as this is an Inservice Day.

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