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Municipal Voting Ends October 17TH

By Maurice Rees

There is less than three weeks for Colchester residents to make plans to get out to vote on Saturday, October 17th to decide who they are going to support. County residents who are a Canadian citizen, at least 18 years of age and were a resident of the Municipality of Colchester for six months preceding nomination day (September 8, 2020) are eligible to vote.

Eric Boutilier, District 1;
Geoff Stewart, District 3;
Karen MacKenzie, District 6

and Tom Taggart, District 10 were elected by acclamation and have not had to mount a re-election campaign. For the Mayor's position, Christine Blair is seeking re-election for her second four year term, is facing a challenge from former mayor, Bob Taylor, who was defeated by Blair in 2016.

Returning officer, Guy Wheeler accepted nominations on September 1, 2, 3, 4 or 7, 2020, the five business days before nominations closed on September 8, 2020. When nominations closed 16 candi-

dates had filed papers for Districts 2, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, and 11.

In district 2, Bill Masters a veteran councillor since 2000 completed five terms, serving three terms as Deputy Mayor. Newbies vying for the seat are Heather Boyd and Laurie Sandeson. In District 4, Mike Cooper, who just completed his third term is being challenged by well known dairy farmer, John Vissers.

Lloyd Gibbs, who was first elected in 2012, in District 5 is being challenged by Colleen Doucette and Tim Johnson.

Tatamagouche area councillor, Mike Gregory, in district 7, was first elected in 2012 and is being challenged by John Sellers.

Ron Cavanaugh who was first elected in District 8 in Council in 1988, serving two terms until 1994. He was re-elected in 1997, and returned by acclamation in 2000, 2004, 2008, 2012, and 2016 retired from municipal politics and did not reoffer. Three new entrants to municipal politics are battling to be Cavanaugh's replacement. They are Stan Hampton, Edwin MacQuarrie and Lisa Patton.

Marie Benoit and Susan Taylor are running against incumbent, Bob Pash, who was elected as Debert's area councillor in 2016.

Wade Parker who was first elected in 2012 for District 11 is being opposed by Peter McCracken.

Colchester, in spite of CoVid-19 continued with a paper ballot, while many municipalities were offering electronic voting and paper ballot, while some including Cumberland will only accept electronic voting. Colchester's advance polls are being offered on October 8, 13, 14 & 15. Election day is Saturday, October 17th.

The Shoreline Journal is pleased to feature a questionnaire answered by many of the local candidates on pages 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 26 and 27.

FRONT PAGE BRIEFS October 2020

Masstown Hardware will hold an open house for their The grand re-opening will be on Oct 2nd 11am to 2pm. The occasion is to welcome new owners, Chris and Devin Thompson, and to acknowledge the contributions to community and business communities made by out-going owners, Kurt and Noel Gratto. There will be several give away prizes including accommodations to Irwin Lake Chalets and a with BBQ.

Masstown Market is moving their annual Holiday Boutique traditionally located in the Garden Centre across the road to the Masstown Creamery location. "Christmas at the Creamery" will be elegant and spacious, featuring beautiful displays and décor while allowing plenty of space for social distancing. The new venue will be open at 10635 Hwy 2, Masstown from Thanksgiving weekend until Christmas.

As result of a resolution passed on September 15th by the Village Commission the Village of Bible Hill's community hall and fire station building, located at 69 Pictou Road, to be known as 'H. Douglas Boyce Village Hall'. The naming dedication takes immediate effect, as of the resolution date, September 15, 2020. In making the decision to dedicate the name of the community building, the Village Commission reflected on the late Mr. Boyce's many significant contributions to the establishment and operation of local government, the fire brigade, and other community organizations, and the impacts of those efforts on building a strong and vibrant community as a whole, both during his working career and long after. The Village Commission is proud to adopt this fitting recognition in honour of an exceptionally dedicated and impactful resident.

The Canadian Snowbird Association (CSA) applauds the September 23 unanimous decision of the Ontario Divisional Court in *Canadian Snowbirds Association Inc. v. Attorney General of Ontario* to strike down part of Ontario Regulation 259 which terminated OHIP's Out-of-Country Travellers Program (OOCPT). In that decision, the Court found that, under the Ontario *Health Insurance Act*, the Lieutenant Governor in Council does not have the legal authority to enact regulations which would revoke the OOCPT.

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Lenore Zann poses for a picture with Bill Elliott & the Killbillys after taking part in the recent Angel's Diner Chicken Light Cruise in Glenholme and Bass River to thank truckers for their contributions during the pandemic. (Submitted)

2020 Provincial Volunteer Recognition

By Maurice Rees

In addition to the annual volunteer recognition awards presentation, which was delayed by CoVid-19 until September 28th, a new category, Nova Scotia Strong Award category was added to the long list. As a result of many acts of kindness following the April 18-19 mass shooting, six people were recognized during the livestreamed ceremony.

Recognized for their efforts were: Sylvia Beirnes, Tory Phinney, Jonathan Torrens, Matt Treccartin, Tiffany Ward and Alex White.

The awards were presented by Lt.-Gov. Arthur J. LeBlanc, Premier Stephen McNeil and Communities, Culture and Heritage Minister Leo Glavine to honour the hard work and dedication of Nova Scotia volunteers.

At total of 69 volunteers representing six regions of Cape Breton (9); Central (10), Fundy (9), Highland (12), South Shore (14) and Valley (13) Regions were recognized in special awards for Family and Youth. The 2020 Family Volunteer Award was presented to: The Hudson Family comprising Karen Hudson, Ken Hudson, and Marsha Hudson-Ash, while the 2020 Youth

Volunteer Award was presented to Laura Isaacs.

Recognized from the Fundy Region which comprises Cumberland, Colchester Counties and East Hants were: Holly Bernard - Millbrook First Nation; Gilbert Chandler - Mun. of East Hants; Al & Maxine Clarke, Town of Oxford; Kelly Countway - Mun. of Colchester County; Jax Gaudet - Town of Truro; Krista MacDonald, Mun. of the County of Cumberland; Anna McNutt, Village of Bible Hill; Michael Wilson, Town of Amherst and Glenda Young - Town of Stewiacke.



The Cliffs Are Growing

Submitted by Beth Peterkin

Business is booming at the Cliffs of Fundy Geopark! September has been a busy month already as we moved into our permanent office in Debert and welcomed a new member to our team.

Debbie Boehlen was greeted by Board members this week at the first meeting since she started work as the Administrative Assistant. Debbie brings a wealth of admin experience as she has run her own business for many years. Her love of the outdoors and education in both Forestry Technology and Geography gives her an excellent background for her work with the Cliffs of Fundy Geopark. Debbie loves exploring the Fundy

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Lantz Truck Body designed a slide out for the back pack self-contained breathing apparatus. One of the many features on the 'Half-Million Dollar Fire Truck' recently delivered to a very appreciative Onslow-Belmont Fire Brigade. See the story and more photos on pages 16 and 17 of this Shoreline Journal.

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