

Services Available at SCCCC

Compiled by Maurice Rees

To explain the importance of SCCCC to the Parrsboro area, I researched by checking the Department of Health and Wellness website to find the following information is listed regarding the Outpatient / Emergency Department at SCCCC facility in Parrsboro: The centre provides 24 hour emergency services as well as outpatient/consultative clinics. All patients utilizing the emergency services will be triaged (evaluated). There are four major categories of triage - emergency/life threatening, urgent, less urgent and not urgent. The evaluation of an individual's condition by the nurse will determine how quickly they will be treated. Everyone is reminded that while every effort is made to ensure treatment is received in a timely manner, patients will be seen by a doctor in order of need. The arrival by an Emergency Health Services ambulance of a seriously ill person can also have an impact on the length of wait for walk-in patients.

Reference to Collaborative Practice (Nurse Practitioner) is as follows: The community of Parrsboro is fortunate to have access to the services of a nurse practitioner who works in a collaborative practice with two local family physicians. The establishment of this primary health care delivery model has enhanced the services available in the community while freeing up physician time to treat more acute medical needs. One of the primary objectives of a collaborative practice is improving accessibility to primary care providers.

A nurse practitioner works collaboratively with a family physician to provide a range of primary care services including diagnosis, treatment and monitoring of commonly encountered health problems and injuries as well as monitoring stable chronic health problems. A focus on health promotion, injury and illness prevention, community development and advocacy allows nurse practitioners to develop a special rapport with their patients and the community-at-large.

The South Cumberland Community Care Centre offers a number of clinics and services on an out-patient basis. These include:

Addiction Services: Addiction Services staff are available to provide assistance and counseling to individuals and groups in the Pugwash area. For further information, please see the Addiction Services section of this web page, or call the Amherst office at (902) 667-7094 or the Springhill



office at (902) 597-2156. Help is available 24 hours a day by calling (902) 597-8647.

Diabetes Clinic: Diabetes Education staff provide a satellite clinic at SCCCC every other Thursday. For further information or to book an appointment, please call (902) 667-5400, extension 6432.

Foot Care Clinics: A foot care clinic is normally held each Wednesday at the SCCCC depending upon demand. Please call the facility at (902) 254-2540 to book an appointment.

Mental Health Services: For further information on the Mental Health Services that are available in the Parrsboro area, please see the Mental Health section of this web page or call (902) 667-3879.

Nutrition/Dietitian: A dietitian provides on-site nutrition counseling twice a month. To book an appointment, please call the SCCCC at (902) 254-2540.

Public Health Services: Staff from Public Health Services offer a variety of programs and services including immunization clinics, prenatal classes and well baby/child clinics. For further information, please see the Public Health section of this web site or call (902) 667-3319.

Save Victoria Hall Fundraiser in September

By Janet McLellan

Bass River wants to save Victoria Hall. She's a 130 year old historical theatre, and needs a little help. You may not know her, but the hall is steeped in local culture, having hosted many local talents and inspiring many generations of musicians and listeners alike.

Over the years, everything from dances to concerts and variety shows have been held there. Julia McLellan, a Bass River native, remembers Victoria Hall being the first place she ever sang a solo. The hall was filled to capacity for a local talent show. Since then Julia has gone on to perform on stages all across Canada, as

well as go on a National tour across the USA in Andrew Lloyd Webber's The Wizard Of Oz. She is currently performing in the Broadway hit Kinky Boots in Toronto.

Along with Mike Cox, Bill and Mike Elliott, they hope to fill the hall once again. Come by for a night of folk, rock, and country music, and help raise funds for this beautiful place where maritime talent can continue to grow.

Tickets are \$20.00 and can be purchased at Dominion Chair Store in Bass River, or the Marigold Cultural Centre in Truro. All proceeds towards saving Old Vicky!

39 Years Ago it Cost \$1,400

By Lawrence R. Nicoll

While they were visiting Parrsboro, I had the pleasure of meeting Peter & Wanda Atkinson and seeing their 1951 Monarch and camper. Peter said this was his first car, purchased 39 years ago at

age 25 for \$1400.00.

Today it looks factory fresh, maintained with two makeovers for both the interior and paint, and one re-chroming job. Hailing from Moncton, the trip to Parrsboro was one of their many drives, this car is in use and looks new. It was a beautiful sight parked on Main Street in front of the Royal Bank.



39 years ago Peter Atkinson paid \$1,400 for this 1951 Monarch. Since then it has had two make-overs, plus a re-chroming. It is used regularly and recently was seen parked on Main Street, Parrsboro. (Lawrence R. Nicoll Photo)

SCCEC Closed 11 Days

By Maurice Rees

Closures continue to plague the South Cumberland Collaborative Emergency Centre (SCCEC) in Parrsboro. The facility was closed for a total of 132 hours -11 day daytime closures from August 4th to August 21. The overnight coverage (8:30 p.m. to 8:30 a.m.) provided by the paramedic/registered nurse/over-sight physician team will be available as usual.

The twelve hour closures are necessary because no physician coverage is available. The department will be closed from 8:30 am to 8:30 pm as follows: August 4, 5, 6, 7, 11, 12, 13, 14, 18, 19 & 21. Each of the dates were Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday daytimes, with the exception of Thursday, August 20th, which the centre was open.

The public is reminded that in all circumstances, those experiencing a medical emergency should always call 911. General health concerns can also be directed to HealthLink 811 where advice and information are available around the clock. Simply dial 811 to speak with a registered nurse.

Anyone who is unclear on a proper course of action may also contact the Hospital at 902-254-2540 extension 1.



RCMP Investigate Break and Enter

On August 18, 2015, Colchester District RCMP received a report of break, enter and theft from a newly constructed home in Upper Brookside, Colchester County.

Overnight, unknown persons broke the lock off the garage and entered the home which is still under construction. Various tools and building materials were stolen which included a quantity of slate grey siding, a mitre saw, a skill saw, and spools of electrical wire. The value of the items stolen was approximately \$2000.

If anyone has any information related to this incident or the items stolen, please contact the Colchester County RCMP at 902-893-6820 or Crimestoppers at 1-800-222-8477.




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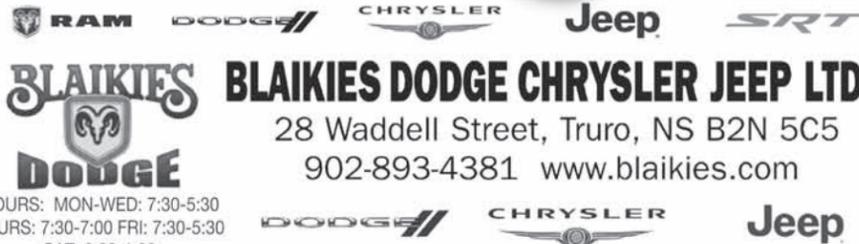












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