

GROWING COMMUNITIES SCHOLARSHIP

Municipality of the District of Argyle awards two \$1,000 scholarships to two high school students of the Municipality. To be eligible, the high school students must be enrolled, for the upcoming year, in a full-time certificate or diploma program at an accredited community college, technical school, college or trade school. University degree programs are not eligible for this scholarship.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THIS YEAR'S TWO RECIPIENTS OF OUR GROWING COMMUNITIES \$1000 SCHOLARSHIPS:

- Connor Greene, École secondaire de Par-en-Bas
- Shane Fitzgerald, École secondaire de Par-en-Bas

PROUD SUPPORTERS OF OUR YOUTH

Once again, the Municipality of Argyle Recreation Department, and the Argyle Municipality Historical and Genealogical Society provided job opportunities for summer students. This year, the Municipality hired sixteen students and the Historical Society provided summer employment for eight students!



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A place we are proud to call home!



COMMUNITY NEWS:

DALHOUSIE'S MANAGEMENT WITHOUT BORDERS

PROJECT: PREPARING FOR A BUSINESS PARK ON THE SEA

A project idea submitted by the Municipality of Argyle to the Dalhousie's *Management without borders* has been accepted by them, for the fourth year in a row!

The purpose of the project is to explore the impact of climate change on oysters and make recommendations to the Municipality for how best to mitigate these threats.

AED (AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR)

The Municipality of Argyle was able to obtain a free AED (defibrillator), and it has been placed at the Tusket Ultramar (since they are open every day). It could be loaned to an organization if there was a large event.

DIRECTIONAL SIGNAGE PROGRAM

The Municipality's new directional signage program is up and running, and has been installed at 12 sites!

These new signs are uniform in appearance and can be found throughout our municipality, providing way finding information while promoting our businesses and attractions.

We will start accepting applications again effective April 2019.

WARDEN'S MESSAGE

With fall in full swing, I hope everyone was able to enjoy the summer months with family and friends! This summer, the Municipality was very busy with recreation activities such as kayaking clinics, a car rally, *Chopped Argyle*, a fun run, senior bus trips and much more! We would like to thank the Recreation Department for all their hard work and wish our summer students the best during their school year at home or abroad.

The Municipality continues to work hard on important municipal projects such as our new administration building, promoting the Municipality as a great location to develop the aquaculture industry and trying to push for better cell phone and internet service.

As always, Council and staff are ready and willing to help you with any opportunity or issues you may have. We always strive to serve you in the best way possible and are dedicated to making Argyle a place we are all proud to call home.

Happy reading!

Warden Richard Donaldson

YOU ARE INVITED!

24TH ANNUAL CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING!

The Argyle Recreation Department in partnership with Argyle Township Court House & Archives is pleased to invite you to our Annual Christmas Tree Lighting. This will take place on Sunday, December 2nd at 6pm, on the Argyle Township Court House & Archives premises, with refreshments served at the Archives. Santa Claus will make a special trip from the North Pole to join us for some family fun.

SENIOR SAFETY COORDINATOR NEW CONTACT INFORMATION

Please note that the Senior Safety Coordinator's **new** phone number is: 902-881-4099.

Did you know...

- ◆ Council meetings are open to the public and are held the second and last Tuesday of each month - meetings typically begin at 6:30 PM.
- ◆ All council meetings are now available for viewing online: www.youtube.com/munargyle/
- ◆ All individuals or groups requesting an opportunity to make a presentation to Council must contact the CAO's office at 902-648-3293 at least two weeks prior in order to be added to the Council meeting agenda.
- ◆ Council meeting agendas are ready for distribution: on the Municipal website: <http://www.munargyle.com/en/council-agendas/> or pick-up in person on the Friday prior to each meeting.

ARGYLE MUNICIPAL OFFICE HOLIDAY CLOSURES

Please be advised that the Municipal Office and Archives will be closed for the following holidays:

November 12th Remembrance Day
Dec. 24th at Noon to Jan. 1st Christmas Holiday

ORGANICS ONLY PLEASE!

It has come to our attention that garbage and/or recycling bags are being placed in the green cart with the compost on pick up day. Doing this creates issues that we can all help avoid:

- Bags are full of compost when they get picked up
- Some of the bags are going in the truck to the compost facility



Please place the bags beside the green cart for collection.

Some suggestions if animals are getting into your bags before collection:

- Place your bags out the morning of collection only
- Place your bags in a separate collection bin (Plastic containers can be purchased from your local retailer).



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MUNICIPAL TRIVIA CONTEST

WHERE DID EAST KEMPTVILLE GET ITS' NAME?

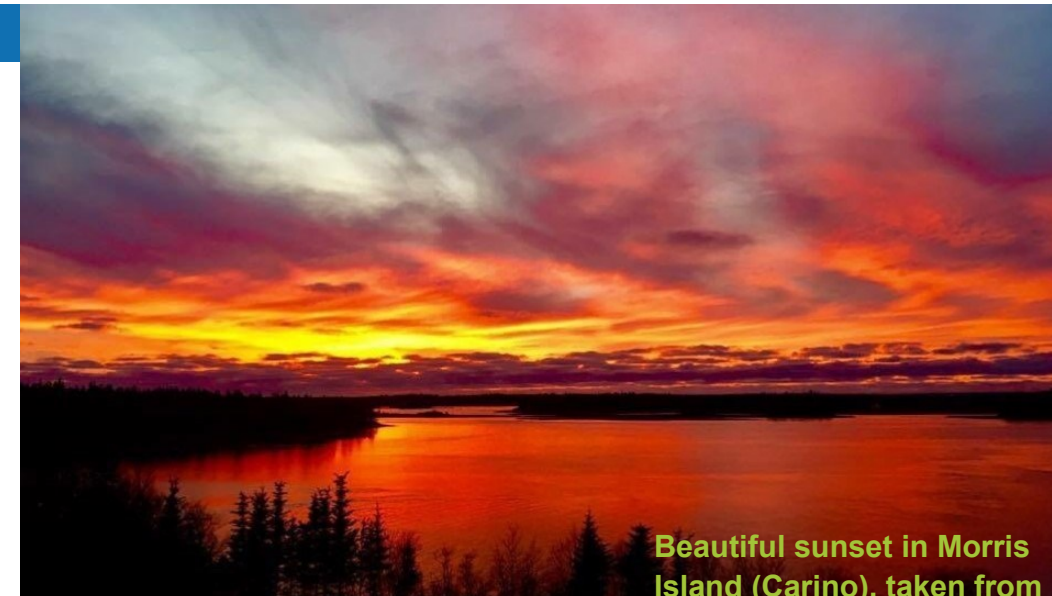
Please email your answer to us at:
cleblanc@munargyle.com

Winning entries will be entered for a chance to win a Holiday Gift pack. Draw will take place on November 30th and winners will be contacted by email.

TRIVIA QUESTION IN SPRING 2018
NEWSLETTER WAS:

WHAT COMMUNITY IS CREDITED WITH THE
INVENTION OF PASTA PRIMAVERA?
ANSWER WAS "ROBERTS ISLAND"

**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE WINNER:
CHRISTINE D'ENTREMONT OF LOWER
WEST PUBNICO.**



**Beautiful sunset in Morris
Island (Carino), taken from
Samantha & Jason's house.**

Photo taken by Samantha LeBlanc

PHOTO CORNER:



Let's showcase our beautiful Municipality!

Do you have any photos taken in the Municipality of Argyle, that you would like to share with our readers?

Please submit your photo, along with caption information and photo credit to: newsletter@munargyle.com.

COUNCIL'S CORNER:

FOLLOWING ARE UPDATES ON THREE OF THE MAJOR PROJECTS THAT COUNCIL AND STAFF ARE CURRENTLY WORKING ON.

NEW ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

Tenders have been received, and we will be working with the bidders to ensure the project fits in our budget. Our budget is non-negotiable, and includes important additions such as solar power to make sure our building is a net-zero energy building. This net zero energy is expected to save taxpayers over \$3,000,000 over 40 years! Construction is expected to take place in 2019.

WEDGEPORT SEPTIC TANK REPLACEMENT

The Municipality of Argyle has installed 39 new septic tanks in Wedgeport, to address failing, or in some cases, non-existent, septic tanks in the community. This unique project allowed us to bill only 25% of the cost to the residents, to a maximum of \$4,700. We will be adding three more tanks in the community before the project ends in March of 2019.

GROWTH IN BUSINESS PARKS!

Council is considering two additional businesses to be located in the business park in Tusket. Furthermore, our Community Development Officer is leading the creation of another business park—a business park on the sea! We are working with local organizations and residents to grow the oyster industry in this area. The Municipality has tested the water quality in various ocean locations in Argyle, and we are the only Municipality in Canada that is working directly with the Provincial Government in speeding up legitimate applications for oyster development.

EXPERIENCE OF ARGYLE

Tickets are now available!

The fourth edition of Experience of Argyle will take place Thursday, November 22nd at the "Centre scolaire communautaire de Par-en-Bas," 4258 Highway 308, Tusket, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

The organizing committee is in full swing putting together a great evening of local music and food.

This semi-formal event celebrates the Municipality of Argyle's accomplishments throughout the year, recognizes the great work of its residents and highlights momentous events.

The event is divided into two main parts: a "Showcase of Argyle" and a "Taste of Argyle."

The "Showcase of Argyle" will highlight local talent in a variety of performances, including music, and will feature two guest speakers, including Suzette Belliveau!

The "Taste of Argyle" will give an opportunity for guests to sample award winning cuisine from local restaurants!

Tickets for the event are \$10 and can be purchased at: the Argyle Municipal Office in Tusket, at Coastal Financial Credit Union branches in Wedgeport, West Pubnico or Tusket, and at the door.

ONLY 300 TICKETS WILL BE SOLD.

As in the past years, all of the proceeds raised will benefit the **Argyle Emergency Aid Fund** which provides up to \$400 to assist residents who experience an emergency situation and which requires immediate action.



We are happy to announce that one of our guest speakers this year will be CTV Atlantic News Reporter, Suzette Belliveau! Suzette is originally from Amirault's Hill.

TAX BILLS ARE NOW PAST DUE

PAYMENT OPTIONS

Tax bills are now past due and interest is being charged. Your available payment options are cash, cheque, debit, credit card (with a 1.75% convenience fee) or pre-authorized payments. We would be happy to assist in setting up a payment plan that works for you.

**PLEASE CONTACT US:
BY PHONE - 902-648-2311**

**OR BY EMAIL -
taxation@munargyle.com**

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR SENIORS

2018 PROPERTY TAX REBATE

Applications for the 2018 Property Tax rebate for seniors are available at the Municipal Office.

The deadline to apply for this rebate is December 31st, 2018.

This provincial program provides **eligible** seniors a 50% rebate off of their property taxes, up to a maximum of \$800.

FOR ELIGIBILITY AND OTHER INFORMATION, PLEASE PHONE TOLL FREE AT 1-800-670-4357.