

BLUE BOX COLLECTION

Town Li	ne to 4185 Second Line West
	Jan. 13 th
	Jan. 27 th
	Feb. 10 th
Marshall	Drive to end of Gros Cap
	Jan. 6 th
	Jan. 20 th
	Feb.3 rd

911 SIGNS

Residents are requested to make sure that 911 civic number signs are clear of trees, snow etc. The sign should be visible by emergency personnel from 100 ft.

RECREATION

Volunteers are needed to help with the skating rink at the Community Centre. Please call lan Chambers at 705-779-3364 or Lynda Tuckett at 705-779-1114.

SNOW REMOVAL

Please remember, that pushing snow either onto or across roadways when cleaning driveways, is not permitted. This may result in charges to the property owner. Your cooperation is appreciated.

NEWSLETTER January 2015



What the new year brings depends on what we bring to the new year.

The Council and Staff of Prince Township wish you and your loved ones a wonderful holiday season and the very best for coming year.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Please note the Office will be closed December 24, 2014- January 4, 2015 inclusive. We will be open again on Monday, January 5, 2015.

In case of an emergency, please contact Reeve Ken Lamming at 705-779-2875 or Deputy-Clerk Treasurer Lorraine Mousseau at 705-779-3119.

DOG TAGS

Dog Licences are now available at the Municipal Office. The cost is \$7.50 for spayed or neutered dogs or \$15.00 otherwise. Please bring in conformation of last rabies shot date. A licence must be purchased by March 1st 2014, after which there is a \$15.00 penalty – per dog. If you cannot make the deadline please contact the Township Office at 705-779-2992 or lorraine@twp.prince.on.ca and we will be pleased to accommodate you.

SAVE THE DATE

Upcoming Union Gas public meeting.
Wed Feb. 25, 2015 @ 7 pm.
More information to follow, closer to date.

SKATING RINK

RINK PREPERATION IS UNDER WAY WEATHER WILL DETERMINE WHEN IT WILL BE READY

There is a warming shack provided by the recreation committee and Council.

Volunteers are invited to help maintain the rink. Be safe and have fun!



Connecting Children and Families with Community Services and School

Early Learning Circle

Early learning circle provides children with an opportunity to learn and explore through discussion of experiences and individuality. We will include a variety of fun, interactive and hands-on activities for children, reinforcing listening and socialization skills. Every Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday at 11:00am.

Family Literacy Day

January 26, 2015, Family Literacy Day, will be celebrated across Canada. Family Literacy Day was created by the ABC-CANADA Literacy Foundation. It is a national initiative that promotes the importance of reading and learning together as a family. Literacy is everywhere. To celebrate we will be doing special activities on January 26 & 27, 2015 from 11:00am-11:30am and 2:00pm-2:30pm

School Readiness Program

This program is designed for children ages 3-5 years old. It is a three week learning readiness course, providing age appropriate and developmentally appropriate instruction to children, which will enhance their entry into kindergarten or other structured environments. Begins Tuesday, January 6, 2015 at RM Moore Public School from 1-2pm and 2-3pm. Registration is required.

Please call 705-779-3627.

Cooking with Kids

Make cooking with kids fun! These recipes are perfect for young chefs. Beginning bring a canned good for donation to our local food bank. Registration is required. Saturday, January 10, 2015 at 11:00am for four weeks.

Please call 705-779-3627.

Tiny Tot Gym Time

This gross motor activity will work on you and your child's balance, coordination and cardio, while playing fun games and singing songs. Begins Friday, January 9, 2015 at 10:30am for six weeks. Come on out and get some fun exercise!

Mother Goose and Story Time

Come on out and enjoy Mother Goose! We will be having interactive stories and songs with all materials we use to take home to keep. Begins at 10:45am Thursday, January 8, 2015 for six weeks. Come on out and enjoy some singing and a story!

Math Activities

Beginning Thursday, January 8, 2015 at 6:30pm, we will be having six weeks of math activities. Each week you and your child will participate in interactive math activities, that will challenge a new math concept.

Learning Corner

Using fun games and activities, we will be learning about colours, shapes, numbers and letters. Tuesdays, beginning January 6, 2015 from 1:00pm to 2:30pm for six weeks.

Please note that the Prince Township Best Start Hub will be closed from December 22, 2014 until Sunday, January 4, 2015. Our regular hours will begin again on Monday January 5, 2015.

Hours

Monday to Friday	9:00-3:00pm
Thursday, also	6:00-8:00pm
Saturday	10:00-3:00pm

Visit us on Facebook: Parent/Child Resource Centre "Best Start Hub" Or Google: Parent/Child Resource Centre "Best Start Hub" if you do not have Facebook.

Email:

prince.beststarthub@hotmail.com



LIBRARY NEWS

CONGRATULATIONS to MARGUERITE LAHAYE who is the recipient of the Joyce Kasch Award for 2014. "Mag" is one of those people who is always willing to help out with library and Friends' activities. She has sold calendars, worked at book sales, helped at fundraisers and does an excellent job at reporting the township news to the Sault Star.

DAISY BOOKS AND PLAYER: THESE ARE AVAILABLE FOR YOU TO LOAN, IF YOU HAVE A PRINT DISABILITY.

LARGE PRINT POOL: We have a new pool of large print books both fiction and non -fiction from Ontario Library Service North. They are in the bookcase at the back of the room.

BOOK CLUB:

On January 22, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. we will be discussing THE BOX IN

THE CLOSET by Margaret Singleton, a retired educator who lives in Ottawa. It is a 'creative nonfiction". This tells of Margaret's search for her birth mother. It contrasts the Bicknells, a wealthy and influential family in Rosedale, Toronto with a farm couple near Brockville who adopted her in 1935. RECOMMENDED BOOKS: Our McNaughton selections are: THE REMEDY FOR LOVE by Bill Roorbach. A grown-up love story." A harrowing story about the truths we reveal when there is no time or space for artifice," Patricia Cornwell has written another Scarpetta novel FLESH AND BLOOD, which finds her techno-genius niece Lucy being implicated in the investigation that Scarpetta is conducting. We have John Grisham's GRAY MOUNTAIN. Sandra Brown's MEAN STREAK and Linwood Barclay's NO SAFE HOUSE.

Thank you to the people who are donating almost new books to supplement our collection. We really appreciate the gesture.

FRIENDS OF THE PRINCE TOWNSHIP LIBRARY

The Prince Township Friends have a great group of hard working volunteers who give freely of their time and energy to benefit the library in many ways. Thank you to everyone who helps with Friends events and who serve on the Friends Board. We may be small, but we accomplish a lot; we have fun; and we believe in the importance of the library in the Township. We can always use additional volunteers. If you can give some time to the Friends, there is a volunteer form at the library (it outlines some of the tasks we can use your help with) and it is also on the Prince Township website. You can drop the form off at the library and someone will be in touch with you.

The 2014 Friends' Joyce Kasch Award was presented to Margeurite LeHaye. She received a gift card and an Award certificate. The Friends will donate a book of Mag's choosing to the library collection, in her name.

Marguerite is so deserving of this Award, as she is one of those people who is always willing to help out with library and Friends activities. Mag has sold calendars, worked at Friends' book sales at the mall and helped out with other fundraisers, such as the Treasures, Tea and Country Colours event this fall and with many more events. She submits articles to the Prince Township newsletter for the Friends and sends library and Friends news to the Sault Star. Mag has done an excellent job of highlighting our activities. Thank you, Mag, for your years of dedicated volunteer service to the Friends and the library.

In November, the Friends took part in the Station Mall bake sale for the second year. It is an opportunity for us to talk to many people about the library and the Friends. This year, we highlighted Christmas books, as well as Gently Used books, along with the baking. We sold three boxes of books and Judy sold some of her baskets, which was great, as the amount of baking donated this year was down. We raised a total of \$236.10. Thank you to the bakers and especially to Judy McGonigal who did the majority of the selling for the group.

The annual Giant Book Sale will be taking place at the Station Mall on April 9, 10 and 11, with set up on Wednesday, April 8th. Easter weekend takes place on the first weekend, which is our usual book sale time. The Friends prepare for this sale throughout the year and we have a nice selection of books being gathered together. We could use more cookbooks, history books, CDs and DVDs. If you have some of these items which you could donate, we'd appreciate them being dropped off at the library any time between now and April.

The Friends wish everyone in Prince Township a very Merry Christmas and a wonderful 2015.

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ADMINISTRATOR'S COUNCIL REPORT

The inaugural meeting of your new Council was held on December 9, 2014. Each member gave a short speech, thanking everyone who came out to vote and outlining their hopes and/or expectations for their term of office. There appeared to be a general theme of renewal and cooperation in the speeches.

On behalf of the township, I congratulated and welcomed the new Council.

Council will be having their first meeting of the new year on the regular meeting date, January 13, 2015 at 6:45 pm. The public is always welcome to attend.

If you are interested in joining any of the Township's committees and have not already come forward, please come to the office or email me by January 7th, 2015.

There have been several complaints about dogs running at large in the municipality. When you are walking with your dog, he/she must be on a lead at all times. A full copy of the by law can be found on our website (princetwp.ca) by doing a search for 2001-3 and clicking on 'Most frequently asked for by-laws', then on the link to 'Dog 2001-3'. It is important to be aware that even families with dogs who are visiting you, must abide by this by-law.

Thank you to Brittany Agliani, our NOHFC intern, for keeping the website updated and more user-friendly!

Council has applied for a grant for new recycling bins. These bins will be similar to the bins used in the City and will be picked up by the GFL trucks, rather than manually. There will be more information regarding the implementation of this new system as it becomes available.

Wishing everyone a happy, peaceful and healthy New Year!

Respectfully,

Peggy Greco

Please note: Council agendas are available on line or at the Municipal Office on the Monday prior to a Council meeting. Any member of the public who wants the office to print the package for them will be subject to the set rate of \$0.25/page and must notify the office no later than noon on Friday prior to a meeting.

Anyone wishing to come as a delegation is asked to contact the Administrator by the <u>Wednesday</u> prior to the Council meeting (779-2992 ext. 101). A written submission outlining your presentation or reason for appearing is necessary for insertion in the Council packages.

If you have any questions, comments or concerns, please contact the Municipal Office, or any member of Council:

Reeve

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COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE

Regular Council Meetings and Planning Matters Tuesday January 13th, 2015 6:45 p.m.

Agendas can be picked up at the municipal office after 4:00 p.m. on the Mon. before.

BY-LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Dave Harnish Home: 705-779-9927

If you are unable to contact Dave Harnish, please direct complaints to Lou Salvalaggio. He is the alternate By-Law Enforcement Officer for Prince Township. Lou Salvalaggio

Home: 705-949-2067 Cottage: 705-779-2234 Cell: 705-255-0043

ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER Barbie Rudnicki (705)779-3100

Fire Department

Safety Tips for Emergency Lightingand Heating During Power Failure

In recent years very few people have frozen to death in their homes. However, many people have suffered from carbon monoxide poisoning, smoke inhalation or burns incurred through the inappropriate use of emergency devices.

When your power is out, you may be introducing potential hazards to your home so you must take extra precautions to make sure that

everyone stays safe.

Candles - If you use candles, make sure you keep them away from all combustible materials. Never leave them unattended and place them out of reach of young children. Candles should be placed in solid, secure candle holders and protected by a glass chimney. Try to avoid walking with a lit candle or taking it into a closet to look for things. Use a flashlight. Never leave a child unattended in a room with a candle or oil lamp.

Oil Lamps - Oil lamps or lanterns provide excellent light but can be a fire hazard if placed too close to combustibles. Keep oil lamps away from combustibles and out of the wind. Make sure they are kept in a secure place where they cannot be knocked over. Refill the lamps outdoors or away from combustibles and other people.

Before going to bed make sure that all candles and lamps are out.

Matches and Lighters- Keep all matches and lighters out of sight and reach of children, preferably in a locked cabinet.

Heating and Cooking - Think carefully before you bring a fuel-burning appliance into your home. Any device that burns fuel requires oxygen to provide complete combustion and ventilation to remove the products of combustion. Any device fueled by natural gas, propane, heating oil, kerosene, coal, charcoal, gasoline or wood produces carbon monoxide.

- Use only portable space heaters that have been designed for indoor, residential use.
- Before using a portable heater, review the manufacturer's recommendations for usage and follow the instructions carefully. Only use the fuel for which the appliance was designed.
- When using the heater, provide adequate ventilation by opening a window slightly.
- Before refueling, turn off the heater, wait for it to cool and take the heater outside to refill.
- Never use propane or charcoal barbecues indoors. They are designed for outdoor use only. It is preferable to eat a cold meal than die from carbon monoxide poisoning.
- Keep all heaters at least 1M (3 feet) away from combustible materials including drapes, carpeting and furniture.
- Turn portable space heaters off when you are not in the room and before you go to bed.
- If you are using a wood stove, be careful with the ashes. Always empty ashes into a covered metal container and store them outside away from combustibles.

- If you have not used your fireplace or woodstove for a long time, have it checked by a professional technician before using it. Your chimney may be blocked or damaged, which could cause a fire or a build-up of carbon monoxide inside the home.
- Generators should not be brought inside the home for any reason.
- Before going to bed, do a quick check of every room to make sure candles are out and heaters are off. Wear several layers of clothing to preserve body heat.

Fire Department Reminder

Flashing Green Lights and Four Way Flashers

Vehicles in the township that are seen driving with green flashing lights and flashing four way hazard lights belong to members of the local fire department who are responding to either a medical emergency or a fire call. Please be courteous and give these vehicles the right of way so that fire fighters can respond to emergency calls in a timely and safe manner. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated by the men and women of the Prince Township Volunteer Fire Service.

Recycling

Blue box collection takes place every other Tuesday starting January 15th, 2013. Although we do not have "yellow" boxes, we do collect "yellow box" materials, provided it is sorted. We collect:

Paper

newspaper/flyers

- magazines
- boxboard/small boxes
 (cereal boxes, detergent
 boxes, tissue boxes –
 plastic liners must be
 removed)
- cardboard boxes larger quantities must be bundled 2x2x1' using tape, rope or string (no wire)
- paper egg cartons (not plastic)
- toilet paper/paper towel rolls
- milk/juice cartons remove plastic cap & collar
- paper ice cream cartons
- paper writing paper, notebooks, junk mail
- phone books
- wrapping paper
- hard and soft cover books

<u>Tin</u>

- steel (tin) food cans
- aluminum food and beverage cans
- Aluminum food containers (pie plates, take out food container, aluminum foil)

Glass and Plastic

- glass bottles and jars (clear and coloured)
- No.1 plastic bottles (pop bottles, water bottles)
- No. 2 plastic bottles (shampoo etc.)

We are advised that the endmarkets will not accept any number 1 or 2 plastics EXCEPT bottles at this time: therefore, we are not able to collect it.

Please remember to remove all lids and to wash or rinse all containers.

We do not collect plastic bags (this includes pellet bags), aerosol cans (spray cans), or any containers which have contained chemicals (anti-freeze, windshield washer, oil, etc.)

When placing your recycling at the end of the driveway, place it on the opposite side from regular garbage.

When not in use, keep recycling container in a clean and dry area (or cover it up). Please sort recyclables.

Blue box containers should be placed for collection by 7:30 a.m.

Please remember that the bins in the back of the Township Hall are clearly marked. DO NOT PLACE GARBAGE OR ITEMS THAT DO NOT BELONG IN THE BINS! REMEMBER THAT WE ONLY TAKE RECYLCLING – **NO GARBAGE**.



Hello Everyone, Once again I am overwhelmed and extremely grateful by your generosity and kindness. JOY-Full Socks 2013 was a huge success.

My dear friends, "JOY-Full Socks" 2014 was very successful, thanks to your generous and kind souls. We collected a total of 2,222 pairs of socks!!!!! Yahoo, yahoo, yahoo!!!! My heart is filled with JOY, thank you all very much.

Thanks to your donations, we delivered an approximate total of 170 boxes and 33 bags to seven different charities. In our donations there were also a highchair, a playpen and two desks for children. At one of our recipient Centres, we were able to set up an

exercise room with free weights, an elliptical and a Universal weight machine.

In the boxes and bags were 1,313 pairs of filled socks, 456 pairs of extra socks, 15 boxes of food, 10 boxes of toys, 6 boxes of books, bag of back packs, boxes and boxes of extra grooming products, boxes of hats, mitts, coats and shoes, plus oodles of boxes and bags of gently used clothing.

Hugs and smiles were in abundance at each of the charities on delivery day. These hugs were received on your behalf. "JOY-Full Socks" would not be successful without each and every one of you. I am just the courier of your kindness. There are many "elves" in the background providing wonderful support. Thank you.

I thought you would like to know some of the comments made at the charities; "Thank God for JOY-Full socks, so generous.", "Christmas will be great.", "...beyond what we imagined or hoped for, Thank you so much for blessing our clients this Christmas season.", "...you have managed to spread many smiles this year, thank you from the bottom of my heart.", "your generosity is so wonderfully overwhelming...", "this donation is all some of our clients will get for Christmas, so thank you very much for providing gifts for them...".

I, too, am humbled by your generosity and kindness. I also want to thank you for providing me with the opportunity to run this initiative. It is a gift to me to experience the goodness in each and every one of you.

Merry Christmas everyone and may God continue to bless you, each and every day in the New Year.

With love and heart filled gratitude, Leslie

PS....As you may be aware JOY-Full Socks has gone provincial and international, with chapters in Sarnia, Burlington, London, Forest and Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

In Milwaukee, two classes made 70 fleece Green Bay Packer scarves. Inside the scarves they rolled up socks and grooming products and delivered them to a homeless shelter.

Forest delivered 250 pairs of filled socks to those in need. Sarnia delivered 300 pairs of filled socks, Burlington delivered over 400 pairs of filled socks and London collected 1,023 pairs of socks and from that they put together 778 filled socks for donation.

At the Mission Centre where the London JOY-Full Socks delivered. a coordinator broke down in tears when she saw the donation. She commented that in past years, when they had hosted a dinner for the clients, they never had enough gifts to give to everyone in attendance. They had to do it by lottery format, tickets drawn, or those who were sitting in a certain chair or at a certain table were lucky enough to receive a gift at the end of the meal. THIS year everyone will receive a gift or two thanks to all involved in JOY-Full Socks!

PROPERTY ASSESSMENT APPEALS

Please call MPAC or visit **AboutMyProperty** on their website for any questions you may have and if you are filing a **Request for Reconsideration** the new dead line is March 31, 2015.

Visit www.mpac.ca to download a Request for Reconsideration form or file online through AboutMyPropery.

1 (866) 296-6722 or 1 (877)889-6722 TTY





Creature Comforts

Help make a sheltered animal's day better by supporting our furry friends at the Sault Ste. Marie Humane Society. The Humane Society is in need of toys for dogs, cats, gerbils, hamsters, and rabbits. They also are in need of blankets, pet beds, cat houses, stuffed toys, wood shavings (for small critter cages), treats, and canned pet food. Any old pillows, towels, or blankets you may have are also very valuable to the animals, and can make them significantly more comfortable. Any gift, large or small, for the animals at the Humane Society would make a huge difference. In order to make it convenient, Melissa Reed has placed a donation box by the front entrance of the Prince Township Office at 3042 Second Line West for donations, or you can call Melissa at (705)779-2736 for pick up. The donations will periodically be dropped off at the Humane Society.





"HERE TO SERVE YOU"

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to my neighbours - our community

Enzo Palumbo

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NOTE:

evening meet which was held Tuesday SERVE YOU" meet and great will be held the first Tuesday of every month 5:30pm December 16th between the hours of 5:30pm - 7:00pm. Each following "HERE TO Following our first "HERE TO SERVE YOU" 7:00pm unless otherwise cancelled.

Prior to each session - information for each session will be posted on our Community Town Hall sign. This change is necessary due to my appointed committee position with the Conservation Your understanding is appreciated. Authority.

I look forward to and would appreciate meeting you so that I may answer any questions, listen / understand your concerns, issues and/or ideas. This will benefit us as a community.

Thank You