



**Please note that the Council Meeting for the month of March will be on March 17<sup>th</sup>.**

#### **BLUE BOX COLLECTION**

<b>Town Line to 4185 Second Line West</b>
Mar. 10 <sup>th</sup>
Mar. 24 <sup>th</sup>
April 8 <sup>th</sup>
<b>Marshall Drive to end of Gros Cap</b>
Mar. 3 <sup>rd</sup>
Mar. 17 <sup>th</sup>
Mar. 31 <sup>st</sup>

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## **NEWSLETTER March 2015**



March 17, 2015

#### **ATTENTION DOG OWNERS**

**You must register your dog(s) by March 1<sup>st</sup> to comply with the Township By-law**

If obtaining a license for your dog has slipped your mind, please come into the Municipal Office, call 705-779-2992 or email

[lorraine@twp.prince.on.ca](mailto:lorraine@twp.prince.on.ca) as soon as possible to avoid prosecution.

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 1<sup>st</sup> 2015**, after which there is a \$15.00 penalty – per dog.

**Please remember that all dogs must be leashed in a public area.**

#### **Dog Control Officer**

**Barbie Rudnicki – 705-779-3100**

Barbie will handle domestic animal issues.



#### **CHANGE YOUR CLOCK, CHANGE YOUR BATTERIES**

On Sunday March 8<sup>th</sup>, you set your clock forward one hour. When you change your clocks, change the batteries in your smoke alarms too!

Test your smoke alarms every month and change the batteries at least once a year or whenever the low-battery warning chirps. Don't remove the batteries for any other reason.

#### ***Smoke Alarms:***

*No Battery, No Chance*

#### **THE RINK IS IN GREAT SHAPE FOR SKATING**

There is a warming shack provided by the Recreation Committee and Council. Volunteers are invited to help maintain the rink. Shovels are provided to shovel the rink off.

Be safe and have fun!

## 911 SIGNS

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

**Enzo  
Palumbo**



### "Here to Serve You"

Next session: March 3<sup>rd</sup>

Time: 5:30pm - 7:00pm

Location: Town Hall Chambers

**NOTE: This session has been designated specifically for the youth in our community regarding recreational activities: snowmobiles, 4 wheelers, motocross etc.**

## ***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.



## Alternative Stories

Children love to see the shapes, colours and textures of materials, while experiencing stories, songs and rhymes. We will be using a variety of techniques to stimulate involvement, stretch and get rid of the wiggles. Thursday evenings beginning February 26, 2015 at 6:30pm for six weeks.

## 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, February 26, 2015 for six weeks. Come on out and enjoy some singing and a story!

## 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, February 27, 2015 at 10:30am for six weeks. Come on out and get some fun exercise!

## Family Music

Our get up and go family music program will provide children with opportunities to: explore rhythm and movement, listen to and identify sounds and engage in group. These parent/child interactive sessions will lead families through a variety of music and movement activities. Saturdays, beginning February 21, 2015 at 11:00am for six weeks.

## ELR Consultant Visit

The Early Learning Resource Consultants work with parents and community agencies to provide a circle of care for children with special needs. An Early Learning Resource Consultant will be available on the Wednesday, March 25, 2015 from 10:00am to 11:00am. Topic discussions will begin at 10:30 am, followed by opportunities for information sharing and question/answer sessions.

**Please note that Prince Township Best Start Hub will be closed Saturday, March 14, 2015, Thursday, March 19, 2015 from 6-8pm only and Saturday, March 21, 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](mailto:prince.beststarthub@hotmail.com)



## **LIBRARY NEWS**

LIBRARY BOARD MEETING will be held on Wednesday March 11 at 11:00 a.m. We welcome councillor David Amadio to our board.

### **NEW SERVICE TO OUR LIBRARY PATRONS**

**OVERDRIVE:** You will be able to download to your personal device- e books at NO COST, if you have your five digit barcode from Prince Township Library. We are able to offer this service as we will be receiving some funding from the Ministry of Tourism, Culture, and Sport. We are hoping that you the residents will take advantage of this service. *If you need assistance we have some one who can help you.*

**BOOK CLUB:** ROAD ENDS by Mary Lawson to be held on April 30<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the library. **APRIL'S SELECTIONS:** **A View of the Lake** by Beryl Singleton Bissell AND her first book a memoir of her life as a cloistered nun **The Scent of God.**

**PAIL:** Pregnancy and Infant Loss Network have donated two books on bereavement. I **Wasn't Ready to Say Goodbye** by Brooke Noel & Pamela D. Blair and **Life Touches Life A Mother's Story of Stillbirth and Healing** by Lorraine Ash.

**RECOMMENDED BOOKS:** From McNaughton- Susan Van Kirk has written a mystery debut novel **THREE MAY KEEP A**

**SECRET.** The first in a series set in Endurance Ill., which is a picturesque place to live... as long as you don't mind a dead body or two, introduces recently retired teacher Grace Kimball. The author is also a recently retired teacher. Your favourite authors: Jonathan Kellerman **MOTIVE** an Alex Delaware novel is available as well as Anne Tyler's **A SPOOL OF BLUE THREAD**, Kristen Hannah's **THE NIGHTINGALE**, James Grippando's **CANE AND ABE**, and Lisa Gardner's **CRASH & BURN**. A new Canadian author is Michael Christie who lives in B.C. He has set his novel **IF I FALL, IF I DIE** in Thunder Bay. It is about a boy who is tired of being confined to his home with an agoraphobic mother who never steps outside. He befriends a quiet boy named Jonah and together the new friends investigate a local boy's disappearance.

**BOOK SALE:** This is on going in the library during library hours. If you can not find the type of book you would like on the table. Feel free to ask the volunteer librarian to let you look in the labelled boxes. The Friends of the Library are preparing for the Mammoth Book Sale at the Station Mall in April; therefore we have quite a few boxes in the library.

**LIBRARY HOURS:** Tuesday 6-8 p.m. Wednesday 2-4p.m. Thursday

10:00-Noon, 2-4-p.m. 6-8p.m. Friday 10:00 –Noon, 2-4p.m. Saturday 10:00 – Noon. **CLOSED SUNDAY AND MONDAY.** **RETURN BOX: PLEASE PUT YOUR BOOKS IN A TIED PLASTIC BAG .** This way they won't get ruined.

## **Friends of the Prince Township Library News**

### **Mammoth Book Sale** **April 9<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup>**

The Friends of the Prince Township Library will host its annual Mammoth Book Sale in the Station Mall from Thurs. Apr. 9 to Sat. Apr. 11 during business hours.

Donations of gently used books, recent magazines, DVDs, and puzzles may be dropped off at the Prince Township Public Library. (No textbooks or encyclopaedias, please. They are heavy to carry and do not sell.)

We're also looking for clean plastic grocery bags to hold purchased items. If you have bags to spare, they too may be dropped off at the library.

### **Volunteers Needed**

We need volunteers to transport sale items to the mall and set them up on **Wed. Apr. 8**, and/or to return unsold items to the library on **Sat. Apr. 11.**

If you prefer lighter work, we also need volunteers to sell items during the three-day

sale. Shifts last three hours, and volunteers work in pairs.

To volunteer, call Margaret Christenson at [705-779- 3996](tel:705-779-3996), or e-mail [ron.christenson@vianet.ca](mailto:ron.christenson@vianet.ca).

### MEMO TO STUDENTS:

The Mammoth Book Sale welcomes high school students who need volunteer hours as a graduation requirement.

## COUNCIL & COMMUNITY



I hope everyone is surviving the bitter cold weather we have been experiencing. Be thankful that spring is just around the corner.



The March council meeting has been moved to the third Tuesday, March 17, at 6:45 p.m. for this month only. There were a few councillors who were unable to make

the usual date and a resolution was passed in February to authorize the change.

On February 21<sup>st</sup>, Council hosted their Volunteer Dinner. The turnout was great with over 60 people in attendance. Boots and Saddles catered and served the meal. It was delicious. Without our volunteers, many functions and services provided to our ratepayers would not be possible. Thank you, again!

"You make a living by what you get.  
You make a life by what you give." -  
*Winston Churchill*

Funding was approved for new recycle bins, similar to what you may have seen within the City of Sault Ste. Marie. More information will be coming soon, but we expect that this will help encourage more recycling and be handier for our residents. We will continue to have bins at the municipal site, as well.

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With the accumulation of snow this winter, your 911 sign may be buried or damaged. Please make sure that your sign is visible. If it has been damaged, please contact the municipal office as soon as possible.

Respectfully,  
Peggy Greco

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

### Reeve

Ken Lamming 705 - 779-2875  
Cell 705 - 971-3663  
[klamming@princetwp.ca](mailto:klamming@princetwp.ca)

### Councillors

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Ian Chambers 705-779-3364  
[ichambers@princetwp.ca](mailto:ichambers@princetwp.ca)  
Enzo Palumbo 705-975-4343  
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Michael Matthews 705-779-2893  
[mmatthews@princetwp.ca](mailto:mmatthews@princetwp.ca)



### ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER

Barbie Rudnicki (705)779-3100

### 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

### COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE

Regular Council Meetings  
and Planning Matters  
Tuesday March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2015  
6:45 p.m.

Agendas are posted on the website the day before the meeting. If you require a copy, please call ahead so it can be printed for pickup on Monday.



### SNOW REMOVAL

Snow removal crews have advised that **many residents have been pushing snow either onto or across roadways when cleaning driveways**. This is **not permitted** on any roads under the highway traffic act and may result in charges to the property owner. Your cooperation is appreciated.

### ATTENTION: SNOWMACHINE AND ATV RIDERS

Increasing complaints have been received with regard to snow machines and ATVs trespassing over private property and area roads.

Snow machine and ATV riders must conform to the Highway Traffic Act when it comes to equipment and insurance. The driver must also have a valid drivers licence.

### **PLEASE RESPECT THE PROPERTY OF OTHERS**

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#### **Jessica O'Donnell**

Jessica@staxable.ca

www.staxable.ca

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Home: (705) 779-3154

**"Don't spend your  
return, trying to file  
your return!"**

## INFORMATION FROM UNION GAS

Listed below are items to be taken into consideration when requesting natural gas under a 'main extension' project.

### Extending the main line on the road

- In the spring Union Gas will bring our construction estimators out to the site to complete a detailed construction estimate. Other than typical expansions, we need to include rock removal, waterway crossings (any permits required by the Ministry of Environment, Energy Conservation Authority, railway crossings etc). These can drive the project costs up.
- This is the main line being installed on the road. Once we've completed the construction estimate we'll analyze the number of people willing to convert to gas and complete our economic analysis. If the project does not meet our financial requirements a financial contribution could be required prior to starting construction. This cost must be paid up front in total before the project starts. The total dollar amount is typically divided among the number of homeowners converting in year one. Union Gas uses a Distribution Related Economic Analysis Model to cost all expansion projects.. If the project does not meet an economic feasibility benchmark customer(s) will be expected to pay aid to construction costs in order to meet our internal economic feasibility benchmark.
- Please view our website at [www.uniongas.com](http://www.uniongas.com) and view the comparison rates with other fuels. This will enable you to determine the payback should the project require a financial contribution.

### Running the service line from the new main to your building (property line to meter location on dwelling)

- The cost for the service line from the new main on the road to the house is based on the distance. If there are unusual ground conditions (rock etc), these costs could be factored into the service line costs. Union Gas currently has an allowance of 30m from your property line to the determined location on the house where the gas meter will be installed. Determine the total distance and subtract 30m, the balance is billed at 45/m + HST, this is considered 'Excess Footage Charges and will appear on your first or second gas bill.

### Cost of converting your existing equipment to natural gas

- It is best to obtain estimates from qualified heating contractors on how much it will cost to convert your home to natural gas. A listing of heating contractors can be found in the yellow pages under 'heating'.
- Another option for homeowners is to install a 'property line meter set', the same gas meter can be installed at your property line, from that point on to your home you would install downstream piping, this is your property and must be installed according to the B149 Building Code. Your heating contractor will be able to determine the size of line based on the distance and the equipment load and provide you with the cost. Please take note: the property line meter set location can only be approved by our construction superintendent and is only meant for applications where the service line is in excess of 100m.