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G.K. Morse Trucking and Excavating Limited

By Gail Salmon



Truck 2 - Photo taken in 1964

Tucked away on a back road in Northville is a successful company that has survived 60 years of changes in government, regulations, technology and in every other way imaginable. Ken Morse is the founder of G.K. Morse Trucking and Excavating Limited. The yard is full of trucks, trailers, and assorted excavating equipment, and the office is nestled between the family home and the garage.

Ken Morse grew up on a small farm in Somerset some 70 years ago. The farm grew apples in the 30s and 40s. After WWII, England lost interest in importing apples, so his father pulled up the apple trees and switched to dairy farming. Ken had always been interested in cars and trucks and learned how they worked and how to repair them.

He started driving his dad's 1939 GMC and at the age of 20, bought his first truck, a 2.5-ton Chev for \$400, put on a dump body and started to haul gravel for various road projects in Kings County. In 1961 he started to haul Christmas trees to the United States. By 1965, Ken had three trucks and a few employees. In 1969, Ken bought his first diesel B-Model Mack and hauled aggregate. He added a trailer to this truck so he could haul Christmas trees, hay and pulp wood.

By the 1970s Ken had left the family farm to devote all his time to his newly-formed business, G.K. Morse Limited. It consisted of five employees, five tractors, a few dump trucks and trailers, and a reefer trailer for hauling produce. In 1973 he started making long hauls to Abercrombie for Scott Paper and he hasn't looked back since.

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Lead Editor's Note...



Here I am getting ready to go out to a Good Neighbour Club function. I was introduced to the Club by June Frail when I first moved here 15 years ago, and it was indeed a great way to meet many people in this wonderful community. Please see Mary Ellen MacDuff's

article on P.14 and consider joining. It's a great feeling also to know that we are doing something constructive for the community by keeping the Community Hall alive and well! Yours truly, the 'Centre Post Lady'

Thank you to our regular and new contributors as well as all of our advertisers who make this newsletter possible.

Suzanne Trudeau

Elisha Harper - Darlene Muise

We wish to acknowledge and thank Elisha Harper for her contribution to this newsletter over the past several years.

She is taking a leave from her duties as Assistant Editor, however, we hope she will return at some point in the future.

We wish her all the best with her future endeavours!

We welcome Darlene Muise who has graciously accepted to come on board the Centre Post Staff.

Sincerely,

The Centre Post Staff

Dates to Remember...

March 3	Good Neighbour Club
March 13	Daylight Savings Time (set clocks forward at 2:00 a.m.)
March 16	Park Association
March 17	Good Neighbour Club
March 17	St. Patrick's Day
March 19	Big Breakfast
March 24	CDCDA 7:00
March 25	Good Friday
March 27	Easter Sunday
March 28	Easter Monday
April 1	April Fool's Day
April 7	Good Neighbour Club
April 15	Clothing Give Away (Baptist Church)
April 16	Big Breakfast
April 20	Park Association
April 21	Good Neighbour Club
April 28	CDCDA

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Ken hired his two sons, Ricky in 1971 and Robert in 1979. They shared dispatching and operations in the Centreville terminal. In 1999 the business expanded to include a construction division in the Annapolis Valley.

Today the company operates 47 tractors, 70 trailers, and four reefers. There are three women in the office, three mechanics in the shop, and 40 full-time drivers. They have B-Train trailers, which are two trailers hauled together. They are fit to haul all kinds of commodities and are a USA and Canada Bonded carrier company. They have 30 years experience in excavation, foundations, road building, and sewer and water service. They have hauled almost everywhere east of the Mississippi and all across Canada. Their equipment includes van trailers, step decks, equipment trailers, and end dump trailers.

I enjoyed chatting with Ken about the trucking business: the discussions jumped around from trucking to politics to life in general (Ken has four daughters and three sons) and we both agreed that today's commerce certainly has become difficult. He is an interesting man and has a unique sense of humour. When asked about work, Ken said that a person had to enjoy what he is doing, and it was quite evident that Ken enjoyed his work. He still answers phones and oversees the business.

When talking about the success of the company that has survived for 60 years, Ken was quite modest. He wanted to emphasize that the success was due to the dedicated work of his two sons, Ricky and Robert, and all the employees who helped with growing and running the organization. In the brief time I spent there it was clear that Ken and his employees have developed a thriving enterprise through hard work and business expertise, as the location was bustling.

For your commercial, residential, or agricultural needs, G. K. Morse will answer the call. They do land clearing, foundation work, and water and sewer service; perform road building; provide topsoil, sand, gravel and stone, and do farm pond construction. This business is efficient and professional in all that it does, and it is no wonder it has lasted for so long. And Ken even continues to haul Christmas trees, just in much bigger trucks.

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Frozen Favourites

Frozen Favourites

Eating well is important for maintaining good health, but it can often be challenging to prepare the right foods. VON Annapolis Valley offers Frozen Favourites—a program that provides nutritional home-style frozen meals available for pick-up or delivery.


“All of the meals include a protein, a starch, and a vegetable,” says Anna Spooner, Program Coordinator. “They are an excellent option for clients who want a healthy meal that’s readily available without any of the preparation.”

Program participants range from families on the run, to seasonal clients who want to avoid harsh winter driving, to patients who have recently been released from hospital.

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By Alice Morse, VON Annapolis Valley

Adding a local flavour

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Frozen Favourites are delivered weekly from Hants Border to Bear River and all points in between. They are also available for pick-up at the VON Annapolis Valley main office in New Minas. Entrées are \$6 each with a minimum order of three meals.

For more information, contact:
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Jesse Vincent from Edible Art, Anna Spooner from VON Annapolis Valley, and Heather Lunan from Pie R Squared

I think the purpose of life is to be happy, to be useful, to be responsible, to be honorable, to be compassionate. It is, above all, to matter; to count, to stand for something, to have made some difference that you lived at all.

Leo Rosten, American author and humorist



STORY FROM THE FAMILY FARM

By Mack Frail

The Centreville that I was familiar with in my younger years was a very different community than it is now. It was mainly a farming community, with farms located within the now-designated Growth Area. With its tree-lined streets and neat homes it was a peaceful, attractive community. Centreville stood out from other rural communities because of its central location and the services it provided. It could be described as a busy, vibrant community with its many businesses. There was a blacksmith shop, a post office, and a vehicle repair garage; a busy railway handled passenger and freight services, with Centreville serving as the junction for the North Mountain Railway; five warehouses were used for packing, storing, and shipping apples and potatoes. There was a rotary sawmill on Lydiard Road and a large cooperage business on Butler Road, plus two smaller ones in the community. From about 1850 a large business that manufactured horse-drawn vehicles was located in Centreville, and Andrew Neville operated a woodworking shop where he made various items for the home and farm. The Scottie Potato Chip Company and the largest plant nursery east of Quebec, owned and operated by the Fillmores, were located in Centreville. Ruben Thorpe opened one of the largest general merchant businesses in Kings County on May 4, 1874. From the days of the first European settlers, Centreville was described as "a bustling French Acadian village".

I was acquainted with the founding families' descendants who lived in the community. They were descendants of the New England Planters, pre-Loyalists, and Loyalists settlers, and were living on farms that were handed down to them

from the first generations that settled in Centreville. The family names of these descendants were Kinsman, Sweet, Porter, Beckwith, Eaton, Roscoe, and Wheaton. Other descendants of the first settlers lived in Centreville before my time, and had either died off or moved away. Their family names were North, Lowden, Masters, Lyons, Strong, Brewster, Woodworth, and Newcomb.

The families that settled in Centreville before 1900 and shared the hardships that established the community were Bowles, Arnold, Cunningham, Sarsfield, Manson, Lydiard, Murphy, Doreing, Robbins, Palmer, Reid, Frail, Keizer, Wishart, Thorpe, Caldwell, Langille, Ward, Rockwell, Whalen, and Pineo. Members of those families cleared the land from the virgin forest and began their farming operations. They operated the mills, blacksmith shops, stores, farms, and many other services and businesses that enabled the community to become self-sufficient. There were more residents not mentioned who continued with the work of these early settlers and voiced their opinions at public meetings at the old Hall School (demolished in 1997) to support Centreville's direction toward becoming a community they were proud of. They continued to support the various organizations and establishments such as Farmers' Grange, Centreville Literary Society, the church auxiliary, youth groups, Good Neighbour Club, schools, churches, Centreville Park, and the skating rink. I mention these residents from the founding settlers to the period when Centreville began to suddenly change direction from the community that they had expected it to be, to becoming a much different community. I have a feeling of pride and appreciation for these residents, both past and present, who gave so much of themselves to make Centreville the community that it was.

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(Story from the Family Farm)



It is not my intention to compare Centreville's past and present, but to describe a very different community and way of life that will allow the readers to understand the changes that have taken place. Changes are

expected in any community, especially those closest to busy commercial areas. Centreville is not an example of this: it is at least five miles from a commercial area and is surrounded by quiet rural communities. There are six subdivisions within its Growth Area boundaries, and a municipal sewage system allows for the rapid residential growth in that area. Sidewalks and streetlights have also been added. All of this is a big change to us older residents who remember a much different Centreville. I miss some of the old landmarks that identified Centreville's early history. I am thankful that some of them still remain.

Over the years I have often met and spoken with seniors who grew up in Centreville, many of whom have moved from the community. They have fond memories and a close attachment to Centreville, and like to reminisce about the early days growing up here. Edna (Margeson) Killam, who settled in Woodville after her marriage to Harold Killam, was one of those former residents. She shared her special memories of growing up in Centreville and her knowledge of local history with me. Edna, who died on December 3, 2015 at age 91, was the daughter of Roy and Ella Margeson. She was born in the second house beyond the first hill on Highway 221 West, as were her siblings Hilda, Gertrude, Muriel, and Ernest.

Changes are usually put into place to make improvements, and I expect that the present younger generations living in Centreville will have their own special memories of living in a great community.

Centreville's Website

www.centreville-kings-county.com

by Anne Marie Waterbury

If you haven't visited Centreville's website lately, you are in for a surprise. The site has undergone a long-overdue update and facelift, thanks to Wingspan Creative Communications of Port Williams. Easy to use, you'll find some new information along with the old. Minutes of the Centreville District Community Development Association (CDCDA) and the Park Association meetings either are or will be posted. Although you may not be able to actively participate, you will be able to keep current with the activities of these volunteer organizations that work for the benefit of the community. For example, did you know that for several years the Municipality has been charging Centreville residents more for the streetlights than they cost, resulting in a significant surplus of funds? The CDCDA found out and has negotiated a 'lighting tax holiday' for residents until the surplus is depleted. Thereafter, the tax rate will be adjusted to reflect the actual cost of the lights. Did you know there will soon be new, completely accessible washrooms in the park? That's just one of the many projects your Centreville Recreation Area Rate helps make possible. Who knows - you may be inspired to get involved! A new section, 'Health & Wellness', currently features contact information for almost any type of assistance you could possibly need. Have a look.

The site is a work in progress, and we urge you to contact us with your comments and suggestions for content. It would be great to see the photo gallery expanded, so if you have anything to add we'd appreciate receiving it. If you can't send them via email, contact us and we can make arrangements to scan them and return them safely to you. We do promise that anything you send to be posted on the Events Calendar or any inquiries you have will be dealt with promptly.

The website is a project of the CDCDA.

Centreville Baptist Church News

Centreville and the Baptist Church community experienced Janice and Dr. Rev. Marc Potvin's move to a parish in Lennoxville, Quebec. They had served the Centreville Baptist Church for fifteen years, and with best wishes they are sadly missed. Seeing their children David, Ben, and Sarah grow up to be out on their own was a pleasant experience shared by those acquainted with them. Members of the church stepped forward and filled in to continue with the daily functions of the church until December 1, 2015, when Dr. Rev. Judy Saunders began as the Interim Pastor. She continues to carry on with her various duties as the Senior Pastor.


Centreville Baptist Church is excited and pleased that the Somalian refugee family sponsored by the Aldershot and Centreville Baptist Churches are now travel-ready, and will soon be receiving their flight information to travel to Nova Scotia.

Following is a list of regular activities in the church:

Sunday	9:00 am	Adult Sunday School
	10:30 am	Sunday Worship Service
Monday	9:00 am	Quilters Group
	2:25-4:30 pm	Children's After School Program
	6:00 pm	T.O.P.S.
	6:00 pm	Alpha Course
Tuesday	7:30 am	Men's Prayer Group
	10:00 am	Morning Group
Wednesday	10:00 am	Women's Bible Study
	10:00 am	Men's Bible Study
	7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal
	8:00 pm	Worship Team Practice
	9:30 pm	Inn from the Cold
Thursday	7:00 pm	Youth Group, under the direction of Youth Pastor Jeff Milne and Children Coordinator Rev. Sarah Stevens
Friday and Saturday		Open for up-coming events

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~ Scotland ~

By Heather M. Kennedy

In 1542 Mary was crowned Queen of Scots at just nine months old. Her reign was marked by civil unrest during the Rough Wooing and conflict between the Catholics and Protestants during the Reformation. Worried she would try to launch a Catholic plot against her, Elizabeth I imprisoned Mary in England until her execution in 1597. We have all heard about this famous Mary when we were in history class at school. Like Mary Queen of Scots, the history of Scotland is fascinating and complex. Scotland has experienced extraordinary growth and change during the course of its lifetime - it's a place that has been invaded and settled many times and that has made mighty contributions to culture and society.

Just what makes Scotland so special and worthy of a place on your must-visit holiday list?

- Who Nessie is, and where you can (maybe) find her
- What you can expect from their unique music, language, dance and culture
- Who are the most famous Scots - from Rabbin Burns to Macbeth
- What makes its history special - their castles, stone circles and more

Small but mighty, Scotland's geography is a huge part of its charm. From wild coastlines to sandy coves, rolling hills, towering Munros, dense forests and sparkling lochs, Scotland is home to some of the most and more stunning landscapes in the British Isles. And with a strategic location near the best of Europe and beyond, it's the perfect destination for work and play.

The Scottish people have a worldwide reputation for warmth and friendliness. Whether it's the millions of visitors who travel to Scotland every year or the thousands who come to live permanently, so many talk of a genuine friendliness and a welcoming hospitality. Did you know that almost three quarters of European visitors say that one of the main reasons for visiting Scotland is its people?

The Scots love people – and they like to make others feel at home. You'll find an enthusiastic friendliness in so many places. Ask a stranger for directions, buy something in a local shop, eat or drink in a pub or restaurant, or put on the kettle in your workplace kitchen and you'll be met with a smiling face and a friendly "Let me help", "Tell me more about yourself", or "How are you?" The Scottish people are proud of their nationality but they also have a long tradition of welcoming new people and cultures.

The one thing Scotland sure knows is how to party – and extends an invitation to all. From large Hogmanay (New Year's Eve) street parties and music and film festivals to more intimate Burns' Suppers and St Andrew's Day celebrations, there is always a fun event to attend. Getting together, sharing good times, 'having a blether', and welcoming others with open arms give Scotland its reputation for being a happy and friendly country. (*Continued on P.9*)



ANNUAL CENTREVILLE QUILT, RUG HOOKING SHOW & SALE

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(Scotland)**



Scotland has been handing down its traditions for close to a thousand years now, since the earliest days of the clans in the 12th century. Everybody knows the cliché of the piper on the shortbread tin. But have you experienced the breath-taking reality of a hundred pipers skirling in uplifting unison? This isn't an image from Scotland's cultural past: it happens every August at the [Edinburgh Military Tattoo](#) and on Glasgow Green.

We all know the stereotypical notions of traditional Scottish fare - haggis, porridge and whisky. Not anymore. Scotland's new elite of super-chefs like Gordon Ramsay, Nick Nairn and Andrew Fairlie are taking the country's incredible natural produce - beef, venison and seafood - and elevating them to Michelin-starred levels.

From Scotland the best of Europe is just a stone's throw away. Some of the most celebrated major European

cities are right on its doorstep, and with excellent links by land, sea and air, travelling to and from Nova Scotia or the rest of Canada is convenient for all. And with WestJet Airlines offering direct flights starting this spring from Halifax, there's no time like the present to take that journey and check out your heritage.

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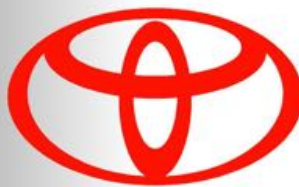
The happenings in Halifax continue to be interesting, to say the least. The Pharmacare premium increases proposed by the McNeil government have been, at least temporarily, halted by protesting seniors. Initially, the Pharmacare changes were portrayed as savings for most, with a small increase for a few. The reality was the other way around, with quite large increases. When seniors figured it all out, the single largest seniors' protest in memory occurred. Some have said that a sleeping giant has awoken and politics will never be the same. I believe that's a good thing! We need our seniors in politics! We can never have too much common sense and life experience in government. And if Pharmacare increases are needed, they need to be accurately explained and reflect actual cost increases.

Another interesting and distressing non-event is the lack of an actual ferryboat for the Yarmouth to Maine run. The people of Yarmouth reportedly think time has run out and believe there won't be a boat this season. Likely they are correct. With over \$40 million sunk into the last two seasons and the current low Canadian dollar, this year should have been the payoff year on our investment in the Yarmouth ferry. With time rapidly running out, it looks like we will never know. What a shame!

Another event in Halifax was the recent publication of the 2016 *Doers and Dreamers Guide*. If you have never seen it, I can tell you the guide is nearly phone book sized but gorgeous, with descriptions of every tourist attraction in the province. What is missing in this year's guide is mention of the Visitor Information Centres. The VICs have been long rumoured to be on the chopping block, with government ministers unwilling to say either way. It now looks very much like the government decided in December to close them but never told anybody. The uproar over finding out this way, plus the enormous support the VICs have, has caused another backtracking and, thankfully, we are keeping the VICs.

On a personal note I wish to thank all of you for your continued support. On April 16th a supper is planned at the Port Williams Community Centre to "roast" former Centreville farmer and MLA George Archibald. Attending to help roast George will be former premiers John Hamm and John Buchanan, plus several other of George's former colleagues. Tickets are \$40 each and include supper. Merv and Ann Steadman are selling the tickets for our Kings North PC Association.

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Centreville and Canning Slated to be in Newly Defined District 1 in October 15 election

by Pauline Raven

There will be fewer councillors and rearranged districts when this year's county election is held.

Council never did get to vote for the boundaries and number of districts recommended by the independent consultant we hired! Instead council, in a 6 to 5 split vote, approved boundaries put forward by the Chief Administrative Officer under the direction of Deputy Warden Hirtle. Soon, a date will be set by the Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board to either approve the boundaries applied for or to revert to the independent consultant's recommendations.

District 3, your current district, will be split in three. Basically:

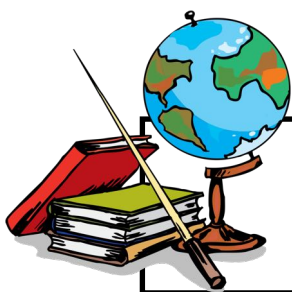
- Centreville and District, as well as Halls Harbour and Gibson Woods, will be joined to a new District 1 that encompasses Canning and North East Kings.

- Aldershot will be split. The east portion will be joined to Port Williams in a new District 2.
- Aldershot's west portion, along with Meadowview will be joined to a new district that encompasses Coldbrook.

Copies of the maps for all districts have been left at the Centreville Community Hall.

In my respectful opinion, the boundaries drawn are the very definition of a **higgledy–piggledy mess. They do little to keep communities of interest intact. They even jump from the north to the south side of the Cornwallis River and back.** I hope further examination by the Utility and Review Board will lead to adjustments rather than approval. The hearing will be a public one and the opinions of members of the public are welcomed by Elaine Wagner, Chief Clerk of the Board at 1.855.442.4448 or Elaine.wagner@novascotia.ca

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Centreville Park and Recreation Association Report

Submitted by Suzanne Trudeau

The Centreville Park Association held its annual Area Rate meeting and vote on February 17, 2016. After President George Graves welcomed everyone, Neil Prince, Treasurer, presented the Financial Report. A slide presentation prepared by John Dekoe was viewed. It was comprised of photos displaying Centreville Day 2015, as well as the new playground equipment. The floor was then opened to questions and discussions about current and future plans at the park. At the end of the meeting a vote was taken and all present were in favour of supporting the \$20.00 Area Rate fee per every Centreville dwelling.

The current bathroom renovations for complete accessibility and other modifications are still underway in the main park building. The completion schedule of these renovations is this spring. Future plans include a gazebo (outdoor learning centre), park benches, and an accessible path from the park entrance to the playground equipment and learning centre. We are also planning to have two students this summer and continue with the day camps and park maintenance duties.

The area rate money has allowed us to apply for more grants. Most grants could not happen without this money, as the amount of the grant is matched with what we have on hand. Many projects have been accomplished and we are working towards more improvements at the park.

We are a small group and, of course, we could use more help. Please consider participating at our regular meetings (we meet every third Wednesday, 7:30 p.m. at the Community Hall), helping out with our spring or fall cleanups (look for the dates on the signage at the hall), or volunteering for the Centreville Day activities.

Centreville Day will take place August 20, 2016.

We are looking for more musical entertainment, and if you know of anyone who would like to show off their musical talents (for free, of course) please contact George Graves at 902-678-8136.

Hope to see you soon with some fresh input and lots of energy for the spring cleanup!

(Continued from P. 11) - (Pauline Raven)

Mayor

It's now official. Kings County residents will elect a mayor, ending 137 years when wardens had leadership responsibility. Residents in large numbers saw that the election of a mayor held the promise of greatly improved governance and increased opportunities. I think you are very aware that we must address those things that are placing all of our futures at some risk, most notably a shrinking and ageing population and a sluggish economy. I hope prospective mayors will bring strong platforms forward and also insist that the required "bling" will be modest and locally produced!

So, residents are now set to mark two ballots, and I fully support that.

But should we be marking two ballots?

1. A vote for a district councillor
2. A vote for a Mayor.

Or should we be marking a third ballot... something like:

3. Do you support conducting a study to determine if a regional government would serve residents more effectively and efficiently than four sets of governments (three towns and a county)?

Ivany says: "It's now or never", and that municipal government must be streamlined. Let's get out there and get ourselves a mayor with the gusto and smarts to help us find solutions together.

Please do not hesitate to be in touch if you have questions or concerns. 902.670.2949.





THE CENTREVILLE GOOD NEIGHBOUR CLUB NEEDS YOUR HELP

Since 1947 the Centreville Good Neighbour Club has been the backbone of the Community Hall. It has since joined forces with the Hall Association for the maintenance and upkeep of the hall.

Over the years the Good Neighbour Club members have worked endlessly to provide a warm, clean, well-equipped place for organizations and individuals to hold meetings, celebrations, and various functions - including its use as a polling station during elections.

Without the Good Neighbour Club, the Community Hall cannot be maintained.

The Fuel Supper, which is organized by the Good Neighbour Club and held every October, provides fuel for the hall for the year. We hold a Big Breakfast on the third Saturday of the month with the exception of July, August, October and December, and we do catering at the hall. Funds raised are also used to help families in need and for donations to organizations that request our help.

We have done many renovations over the past years and hope to do many more. However, our number of working members is declining. We are requesting your participation by becoming involved as a member of the Good Neighbour Club.

Come out and meet some neighbours, make some new friends, and help us out.

We meet at the hall on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month at 7:30 pm, with the exception of July and August. We have a regular meeting, a light lunch, and sometimes, entertainment. Annual dues are \$0.25.

If you have any questions please contact Stella Boutilier, President, or Mary Ellen MacDuff, active member. Hope to see you soon.

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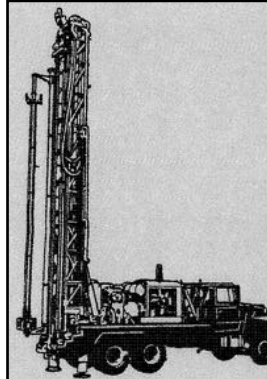
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*For further info contact Marilyn 902-678-3939
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Community Groups

Good Neighbour Club

The Good Neighbour Club (GNC) meets at the Centreville Hall at 7:30 pm on the first and third Thursdays of the month (except June, July and August). All Centreville women are welcome to attend and join the club.

'50-Plus' Fun Group

The '50-Plus' Fun Group meets at the Centreville Hall every Wednesday, 1:30 - 4:00 pm. New members are welcome.



Pins and Needles

Anyone is welcome to join us at the Community Hall on Thursdays. Bring along a craft you are currently working on and a paper bag lunch, and stay for the day. Tea and coffee are available. We also get together once a month to work on 'comfort quilts': These are made with donated fabric and are sewn and tied, then given to organizations to provide comfort to those in need.

For further information call Ann Steadman at 902-678-4472

TOPS

TOPS meets at the Centreville Baptist Church, Murray Drive, on Monday evenings. Weigh-in is from 6:00 to 6:30 pm, followed by a short meeting. We are open to new members at the cost of \$32.00 yearly, which includes a magazine from headquarters with "Eating Sensibly" ideas and recipes. You can drop by for one free night. For more information contact Co-Leaders Sheila Frail at 902-679-5274 or Madeline Sheffield at 902-678-7584.

Al-Anon

Are you affected by someone else's addictions? If so, Al-Anon is for you. Al-Anon is a support group for families and friends whose lives have been affected by someone else's drinking, drugs, etc. Our meetings are held every Tuesday at 10:00 am at the Baptist Church here in Centreville. For more information, please contact Beverley at 902-678-4798.

Battery Recycling in Centreville

Used batteries can be dropped off at the Centreville Community Hall on Thursdays, 9:00 am - 2:00 pm, as well as at the monthly Big Breakfast, except in July and August.



Centreville Park Association

The Centreville Park Association meets the third Wednesday of each month at 7:30 pm at the Centreville Hall. Anyone interested in becoming involved or wishing to share ideas or concerns is welcome to attend. Centreville community members are those who will make the park a success.

Centreville District Community Development Association (CDCDA) Board of Directors' Meetings

Where: Centreville Hall
When: Fourth Thursday of the month
Time: 7:00 pm

Exceptions: June, July, August and December by notification

All meetings are open to the public — come out and support your community's development!

Next meeting: September 24/15

Cancer Support Group

For women with and/or recovering from any type of cancer.
Meeting the 3rd Wednesday of each month.

Info:

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