

VILLAGE OF BIBLE HILL

ACTION ON THE HILL

December 2017

SEASONS GREETING'S

This issue of Action on the Hill will highlight many of the events taking place in Bible Hill during the upcoming holiday season. On December 1st at 6 pm watch for that special someone to be here to help us light the Christmas Tree on the front lawn of 69 Pictou Road. Join us in the other celebrations throughout the month.

In 2017 our largest project was the Phase 2 of the Guest Drive Storm Sewer Upgrade. This has now been completed. 2017 has seen changes throughout the Village. We welcomed the new addition to the RCMP Station on Pictou Road and our new elementary school, Bible Hill Consolidated Elementary School on Pictou Road. We celebrated Canada's 150th Birthday and we were honoured to have the 1st Annual Colchester Highland Games hosted at the Airport Ballfields on Jennifer Drive.

On behalf of my fellow Village Commissioners, Donna Van Kroonenburg, Dwane Mellish, Kevin Kennedy and Mitchell Bell, I would like to extend Seasons Greetings to the residents of Bible Hill. We invite you to join us at the 2018 New Year's Levy at the Bible Hill Village Hall on Monday, January 1st, 2018 from 1-2pm.

Lois MacCormick
Chair
Village of Bible Hill

Welcome in the Holiday with Bible Hill's Tree Lighting!



The Village of Bible Hill is hosting its Annual Tree Lighting on Friday, December 1st at 6:00 pm on the front yard of 69 Pictou Road. All are welcome! There will be music by the Redcliff and Bible Hill Junior High Bands, refreshments, and a special holiday visitor will be there to greet the children at 6:40! Come out and enjoy the warmth of the season with your friends and neighbors. Donations for the Colchester Food Bank will be accepted. For more information contact the office at **902-893-8083**. See you there!

Bible Hill Garden Club Holiday Centerpiece Workshop

Please join the Bible Hill Garden Club on Sunday, December 3rd starting at 1:00 pm for the Annual Centerpiece Workshop. Tickets are \$10. Pre-registration is required by calling **902-893-8083** but limited spaces will also be available at the door. All festive supplies will be provided, but please bring your own clippers and gloves if you have them. Spaces will be filling up fast so register soon! Donations for the Colchester Food Bank will be accepted.



Light up Bible Hill Competition and Bus Tour of Lights - Get in the Festive Spirit!

Get in the festive spirit this season by decorating your home for the holidays! Monday, December 11th to Sunday, December 17th there will be a Facebook competition for the best Christmas decorations. Post your photo to Facebook on the Bible Hill Recreation page and the top three with the most likes December 18th at 8:30AM win! On Wednesday, December 13th, a bus will be travelling around Bible Hill to look at the displays! If you would like to join the bus tour of Bible Hill please contact the Village at **902-893-8083**. Winners will receive a sign to display, a small prize package and a donation to the Colchester Food Bank in their name.



Teen Holiday Baking



If you are between the ages of 12 and 17 and are interested in holiday baking, there is a free workshop scheduled for Tuesday, December 19th from 6pm-9:30pm, located at the Bible Hill Village Hall. Come learn how to bake holiday cookies, decorate them, and then take them home as gifts to give to friends and family (or just eat them). Please register ahead by calling **902-893-8083**. This is a free event.

Holiday Social – For those young at Heart!

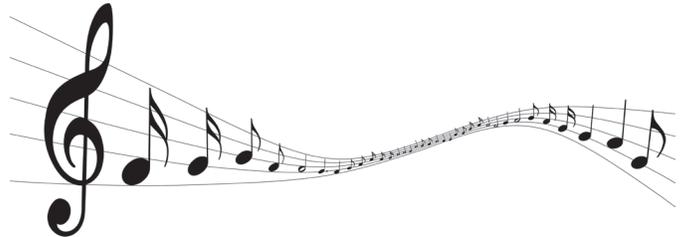
There will be a Holiday Social for adults 55+ at the Village Hall on Thursday, December 21st from 4-6:00pm. Music and a light snack will be provided along with door prizes for this Christmas celebration. Donations for the Colchester Food Bank will be accepted. Please call the Village of Bible Hill for more information at **902-893-8083**.



Bible Hill Music Jamborees!

Time to enjoy the local talent in Colchester County! Admission to the Jamboree is free to the public and coffee and tea is served. There will be a 50/50 draw with the profits being donated to charity. Listed below are the dates for the Music Jamborees. If you like to play at the Music Jamborees please contact **Foster Stewart** at **902-897-6194**.

- Saturday, December 16th, 6:30 – 9:00pm
- Saturday, January 20th, 6:30 - 9:00pm



2018 New Year's Levee

The Village of Bible Hill will once again be hosting a New Year's Levee in the Village Hall, 69 Pictou Road on Monday, January 1st, 2018 from 1:00 to 2:00pm. Please feel free to drop in and speak to our Village Commissioners. Light refreshments will be provided.



Scotia Pool

Red Cross Swimming Lesson Registration for the Winter Session starts on Saturday, December 9th from 9-11 am.

Holiday Open Swim Times

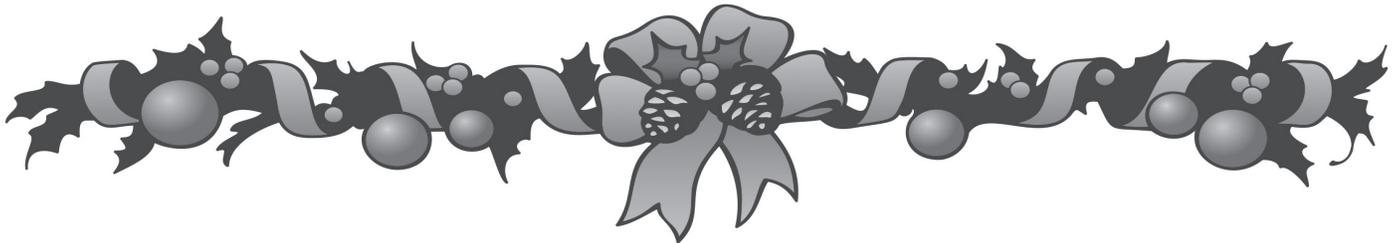
- December 22nd ~ 2-4pm
- December 27th ~ 2-4pm and 5-6 pm
- December 28th ~ 2-4pm
- December 29th ~ 2-4pm
- January 2nd ~ 2-4 pm

Geocaching Clinic

There will be a FREE Geocaching Clinic on Saturday, January 20th starting at 2pm in partnership with the Association of Nova Scotia Geocachers. Meet at the Village Hall, 69 Pictou Road for a quick introduction and then head out to a Bible Hill Trail to go Geocaching! Bring your GPS or a smartphone with "C:Geo" from Google Play or "Looking4Cache Lite" from the App store and learn how to do this free and enjoyable activity. Things to bring: GPS/smartphone, sturdy shoes, water and a small trinket to swap at the cache (ex: a pin, sticker or bouncy ball)

St. David's United Church Christmas Calendar

Sunday, December 3, 7pm	Canadian Bible Society Festival of Carols (church sanctuary, free-will offering)
Thursday, December 14, 7pm	Blue Christmas (a quiet reflective service, all welcome, church sanctuary)
Sunday, December 17, 7pm	Join the folks of St. David's United outside on the Bible Hill Village Hall grounds on Sunday, December 17, as they present their annual Nativity story re-enactment. Drop in around 6:30pm and hear the carolers singing on the street corner, pick up a hot cider or hot chocolate at the "Inn With No Room", mingle with the shepherds and villagers and follow them to Bethlehem at 7pm to see the new born babe. You may even hear the sounds of the local livestock or see an angel or two. All are welcome to come out and experience the real 'reason for the season'. Dress really warmly from head to toe.
Sunday, December 24, 7pm	Christmas Eve Service (all are welcome, church sanctuary)



Have a Fire Safe Holiday Season!

Although Firefighters love to visit, you really don't want us to do a house call during the holidays. To avoid our visit remember:

- Busy times can lead to carelessness and fires
- Don't over load electrical circuits
- Use only approved outdoor electrical units outside
- Avoid open candles, consider using battery operated tea lights
- Ensure natural trees are kept well watered to reduce fire hazard
- Kitchen fires are the leading cause of house fires
- Check batteries in your smoke alarm
- If your smoke alarm is over 10 years old replace it

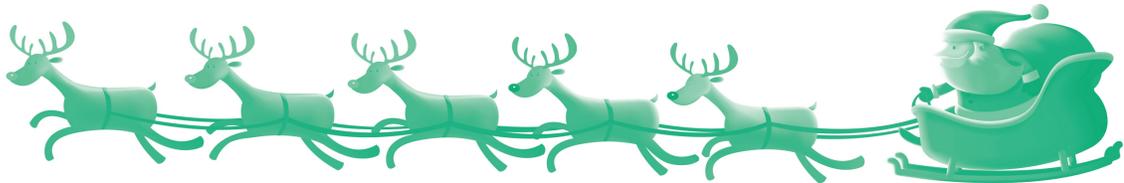
Carbon monoxide detectors save lives, CO is odourless and colourless. In the New Year watch for our calendar being delivered to each household in Bible Hill

We are currently accepting applications for membership. Contact us by email - bhfire@biblehill.ca and follow us on **twitter @BHFB**.



Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee

The Village of Bible Hill Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee is looking for new member applications. This committee meets on the first Tuesday of each month at 6:00PM to discuss and make recommendations to the Bible Hill Village Commission on recreation, culture, and park development issues in Bible Hill. If you are passionate about recreation and would like to know more, please contact Parks and Recreation Director Cody Brown at brown@biblehill.ca or by phone at **902-893-8083**.



Bible Hill Volunteer Awards

The Village of Bible Hill will be hosting a banquet once again in 2018 to celebrate its many valued Volunteers! If you would like to see a person or group recognized at this special ceremony, please contact the Village of Bible Hill at **902-893-8083** or email admin@biblehill.ca. Also, visit our website www.biblehill.ca for more information and to access a nomination form. Please take the time to recognize those who take the time! Deadline for nominations is March 4th 2018.

- **Golden Long Term Service Award** - The Golden Long Term Service Award is presented to those residents of Bible Hill who have made contributions through worldwide community volunteer service for a period of fifty years or longer of which at least 25 years of the volunteer service took place in the Village of Bible Hill.
- **Long Term Service Award** - The Long Term Service Award is presented to those residents of Bible Hill who have made contributions through worldwide community volunteer service for a period of twenty-five years or longer of which at least 12 years of the volunteer service took place in the Village of Bible Hill.
- **Young Achievers Service Award** - The Young Achievers Service Award is presented to young people (18 and under) who have made an outstanding contribution in volunteer community service in Bible Hill in the past year. There is no limit to the number of awards presented each year, or the number of times a person may receive the award.
- **Outstanding Community Service Award** - The Outstanding Community Service Award is presented to those who have made an outstanding contribution in volunteer community service in Bible Hill in the past year. There is no limit to the number of awards presented each year, or the number of times a person may receive the award.

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