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"Gateway to the  
Wilderness"

**A little of this and a little of that**

- ◆ There will be a Christmas Bazaar at the Community Hall on Saturday December 6<sup>th</sup>. Please support locally. Please call Charleen O'Brien Anderson 250-557-4501 for more details.
- ◆ The Senior's will have their Christmas dinner at the Multiplex on Friday December 12<sup>th</sup>, please call Bunny 250-557-4436 for more details.
- ◆ **The Centennial Committee will be holding a fireworks display on Wednesday December 31 at 7pm at the Community Park (event will be postponed night by night until weather permits if December 31 is stormy).**
- ◆ Port Bucks are included with this newsletter and utilities bill. Please ensure they get used before December 31, 2014. A new option for 2014 is to turn your Port Bucks back in to the office to be used towards the purchase of Commercial grade exterior LED lighting for town beautification.
- ◆ Flu shots will be available Wednesday November 12th at the Clinic from 4-6:30pm—call Marg at 250-557-4478 if you have any questions.
- ◆ If you can't be kind, at least be vague



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# THE LEADER

## Municipal and Gwaii Trust Elections this month

Make your mark, have your opinion counted, make sure and come out for the election this month. There will be two ballots—one for Mayor and Council and one for Director of Graham Island Central for Gwaii Trust. Both will be held at the same times and places. General Voting will happen on Saturday November 15, 2014 from 8am-8pm in the Seniors' room at the Multiplex.

Running for a four year term as Mayor for the Village of Port Clements are residents Ian Gould, Judy Hadley and Dennis Reindl.

Running for a four year term as Councillor (4 are required) are residents Brigid Cumming, Christine Cunningham, Doug Daugert, Matt Gaspar, Charleen O'Brien Anderson and Betty Stewart.

Running for Director for Graham Island Central for Gwaii Trust for a two year term are Christopher Bellamy and Berry Wijdeven.

The inaugural meeting for the new Mayor and Council, where they will swear their oaths and take over their duties, will be Monday December 1, 2014 at 7pm in Council chambers. This is a great opportunity to show your support for the people who have so generously allowed their names to stand for these extremely important, though often difficult, positions. Although technically there is remuneration for these positions—\$5000 per annum for Mayor and \$3000 per annum for Councillors—the workload they take on by representing our Community makes this remuneration pale in comparison. Council currently has 11 active and 3 inactive committees on record which will be split amongst the new Council for representation. Thank you to everyone who is running and please support them by showing up to vote!



**EVENTS**

- Yoga for Seniors 1-2pm on Tues. in the Seniors Room
- Seniors Social & lunch 12:30-4:00 Tues. and Thurs. in the Seniors Room.
- Advance poll for the Municipal and Gwaii Trust Elections Nov. 5 8am-8pm in the office and Tlell Fire Hall and General voting Nov. 15 8am-8pm in the Seniors room.
- Fall into Fitness Tuesday and Thursday evenings 7-8pm in the gym.
- Volleyball Fridays 7-9pm in the gym.
- Movie night Friday November 14—How to Train your Dragon.

## RECREATION COMMISSION - UPCOMING EVENTS

The Village of Port Clements Recreation Commission is calling all volunteers! This year's Breakfast with Santa will be held December 13 in the Senior's room at the Multiplex. If you have any ideas or would like to be a volunteer for any events come to our meetings.

Watch for posted agendas for

more information as there will be Special Meetings leading up to the Christmas celebrations.

The Recreation Commission, which organizes and plans many special events in our community such as movies, Easter egg hunts, breakfast with Santa, Canada Days, etc, would not be such a great suc-

cess without our hard working Rec. Commission. If you would like to join the Port Clements Recreation Commission please contact the office at 250-557-4295, Monday-Friday, 9:00am-1:00pm.

ALL HELP IS APRECIATED!!!!



## WINTER ROAD TRIPS COURTESY O'BRIEN ROAD & BRIDGE

Winter weather is hard on your vehicle, here are some tips to make sure it is up to the challenge:

1. **Install winter tires**—use 4 matched winter tires that carry the winter tire logo—even if you are driving a 4X4.
2. **Get your car winter ready with a maintenance check-up.**
3. **Change your wiper blades to winter blades**—they are heavier and push snow and ice easier.
4. **Clear snow and ice from**



5. **Make sure your windshield washer reservoir is full** and carry extra washer fluid in your vehicle.
6. **Be prepared by packing a winter survival kit** including things such as non-perishable food, blankets, first aid supplies, flares, matches or lighter, gloves, shovel, sand or kitty litter, flashlight and extra batteries, jumper cables, spare tire, wheel wrench and jack, extra clothing and footwear and sand bags for weight.

7. **Keep your gas tank topped up.** This helps avoid condensation and moist air on the inside of the tank, which can cause fuel lines to freeze and other serious issues.
8. **If you get stuck in a storm, don't panic.** Avoid overexertion and overexposure. Stay in your vehicle and open your window slightly to make sure you have a supply of fresh air. Use a survival candle for heat. Set out a warning light or flares.
9. **Check the road conditions before you go at:**

[www.drivebc.ca](http://www.drivebc.ca)

**DON'T KNOW, DON'T GO**

## Remembrance Day

**Remembrance day is Tuesday  
November 11, 2014**

The service will be held at the St. Mark's Church on Bayview Drive.

The procession to the Cenotaph will begin at 10:35am from the Museum.

For more information or to volunteer call the Village office at 250-557-4295.

We encourage all to come and share in a moment of silence for all of those who have given and continue to sacrifice their life so that we may live in peace.

In Flanders Fields  
By: Lieutenant Colonel John McCrae, MD (1872-1918)  
Canadian Army

In Flanders Fields the poppies blow  
Between the crosses row on row,  
That mark our place; and in the sky  
The larks, still bravely singing, fly  
Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the Dead. Short days ago  
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset  
glow,  
Loved and were loved, and now we  
lie

In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:

To you from failing hands we  
throw  
The torch; be yours to hold it high.  
If ye break faith with us who die  
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow  
In Flanders fields.

Always  
&  
Forever



## A year in review by the Senior's

Port/Tlell Seniors proudly participated at all functions set by the Centennial Committee as well as holding events of our own. It started with a church service at St. Marks on January 18th with the Seniors providing refreshments. Next came the 100th birthday celebration with the Seniors helping to decorate the room and put together the 100 cupcakes donated by residents for the event. Next came the All Island Seniors Games organized and managed by the Seniors with help from a Junior group for the set up and clean up. Seniors from Sandspit, Queen Charlotte, Skidegate, Tlell, Old Massett and Massett participated and a very healthy luncheon was catered by Angela's Place. A special thank you to all the people who helped make that such a successful event. Following that came Seniors week the beginning of June where a new game was introduced to us by the Queen Charlotte Seniors—Pickle Ball! The week included games, barbeque, a movie and car rally and we ended the week with a family barbeque. Then at the end of June we celebrated Canada Days with Seniors assisting in various events throughout the weekend. July 1st brought the arrival of the Naval Vessels and Port Clements treated them to a Barbeque in the park as well as hosting tours with the assistance of Senior volunteers. In late July the All Island Seniors picnic was held in Tlell and even though it rained everyone had a great time. Weather also did not deter from the Time Capsule event during the August long weekend. People enjoyed the barbeque and interacted in the Centennial Park.

It has given me pleasure to be part of such an active Senior's group and to see so many senior's participate and help where needed. This year has been busy so far and through sickness and sadness we will stand together and continue to assist in events in our community. Submitted by Bunny Decembrini