Tenant Association Newsletter

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#### Scholarhips

Did you know that NL Housing offers an annual Youth and Adult Scholarship Program? The Youth Scholarship is offered to all dependent children of NL Housing tenants who are graduating from Grade 12 in June 2012 and are registered to attend a recognized post-secondary institution on a full-time basis in the fall. The Adult Scholarship is offered to any adult tenant in full-time attendance for the fall semester. The deadline to apply for the Youth Scholarship is August 31, 2012, and the Adult Scholarship deadline is September 30, 2012. Check out our website for more information.

#### Tidy Neighbourhoods

By now each Tenant Association should have received information in the mail regarding this year's Tidy Neighbourhoods Campaign. Tenant Associations are encouraged to apply and participate in activities that beautify your neighbourhoods. For more information, please contact your Tenant Relations Social Worker.



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# Volunteer Week

April 16-21 marked another Volunteer Week where individuals and groups across the country celebrate the ongoing work of volunteers. Throughout the regions, the Tenant Relations Social Work program held events to honour the work of our Tenant Association volunteers. From everyone at NL Housing, a huge thank you to each and every one of you for the amazing work you do in your communities. Pictured above, Chairman and CEO, Len Simms, and Ann Marie Moores, Manager, Rental Housing, chat with tenants at the event held at NL Housing's head office.

### West Heights Tenant Association

It has been a busy winter at West Heights Tenant Association. The group hosted their annual Easter Party which included ticket draws on two Easter Baskets. The party also included a return visit from NL Jungle Pets where children of all ages had the opportunity to interact with the different animals. The group has also partnered with Vibrant Communities and is offering an "Arts in the Neighbourhood" program.



#### United Neighbourhood Tenant Association

Another TA to celebrate Easter was the United Neighbourhood Tenant Association. The group hosted a Family Easter Bingo at MacMorran Community Centre. The Easter Bunny made a special appearance and had his picture taken with the children and couldn't resist handing out some chocolate treats. There was a great turnout and each child was provided with a copy of their picture with the Easter Bunny to take home.





#### **Education Incentive**

Since 2006, NL Housing has been offering an education incentive to families with children who are in full-time school attendance in grades 7-12. The program also includes post-secondary students who are enrolled in a recognized program. For more information on the program please check out our website at www.nlhc.nl.ca or speak to your Housing Administration Officer.

## Pearlgate Manor Tenant Association

Pearlgate Manor Tenant Association in Mount Pearl rang in both St. Patrick's Day and Easter with some special events. The group hosted a meal of stew and dumplings for St. Patrick's Day followed by some games. Tenant Association member Vicki Pynn commented, "Following the meal we played several games. If you could only hear us; we were like school children". The group also hosted a Turkey Dinner for Easter.

## ACE Tenant Association

The ACE Tenant Association hosted a pancake breakfast and served 19 adults and children. Everyone certainly walked away with a full belly — yummy! A big thank you goes out to all participants.



#### **Rabbittown Tenant Association**

Rabbittown Community Centre is currently undergoing some major renovations but that hasn't stopped the Tenant Association. The group has been doing regular movie nights complete with snacks.

### Central Newfoundland

The Exploits Community Centre partnered with the four Tenant Associations in Central Region to celebrate Volunteer Week. Executive Director Gail Thorne noted, "the Exploits Region had reason to celebrate the many programs and services supported through volunteer's efforts in each of the Tenant Associations."



### White Mesher Tenant Association

This growing Tenant Association held a community kitchen which was well attended and the response was very positive. The group also hosted an Easter lunch where children were each given the opportunity to plant some seeds that will be transplanted into the community garden this summer.

We want to hear all about what's happening in your neighbourhood! The deadline for submissions for the next On the Home Front newsletter is Friday, July 27, 2012. Please submit your photos and stories to Charlotte at cgcourage@nlhc.nl.ca

# W.A.T.C.H. Tenant Association

W.A.T.C.H. Tenant Association hosted an Easter party and didn't allow the rain to dampen their fun. There were ticket draws on Easter baskets and each child went home with a chocolate Easter bunny.

"Life is not about waiting for the storms to pass. It's about learning how to dance in the rain."

