

# On the Home Front

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Don't delay! The deadline for applications for
NLHC's Adult Scholarship program is September 30, 2017. The
deadline for the Youth
Scholarship Program
was August 31st.
Check out our website
at <a href="https://www.nlhc.nl.ca">www.nlhc.nl.ca</a> to
determine if you are
eligible to apply and
for more information.



▲ The United Neighbourhood Tenants Association (UNTA) hosted a family brunch July 22nd in honour of Father Browne's 89th birthday. Father Browne has been helping and volunteering in the MacMorran area for over 20 years. The tenants had a lovely brunch, and they plan on making it a yearly event. Pictured above are Father William Browne with community member Teresa Boland. ■

### Upcoming Tenant Conference

The 2017 Tenant Association Conference is taking place:

#### When

October 14, 2017

#### Where:

Columbus Hall, St. Clare Avenue, St. John's, NL

We will have travellers coming from Labrador, the West Coast, Central and the Burin Peninsula. They will be staying at Extended Stay on LeMarchant Road – Across the street from Columbus Hall.

Lots of interesting topics on the agenda, and we are now finalizing entertainment – stay tuned, more info to come!





#### West Heights Tenant Association

West Heights have been very busy over the past few months. They held a Mother's Day event, a 'scuff and a scoff' and they celebrated Canada's 150<sup>th</sup> birthday. The group also offered a two-week day camp this summer, with 25 children in attendance. On August 12th, the group held their first Newfoundland Day. The menu consisted of salt fish and brewis, fresh fish and brewis and hot dogs, for approximately 70 people. Everyone enjoyed the Newfoundland music; prizes were given out and the children loved the bouncy castle. Minister Siobhan Coady, MHA for St. John's West, dropped by with her Labrador dog, and Deputy Mayor Ron Ellsworth also dropped by with his dog Milo. It was such a success that the group is already talking about next year's Newfoundland Day! To prepare the kiddies for school, the group is accepting names for the Back-to-School Book Bags Program. As the summer comes to an end, West Heights will be organizing and preparing for their Christmas events.



Housing

#### Canada Revenue Agency Offers free Tax Preparation Clinics for lowincome families

Through the Community Volunteer Income Tax Program (CVITP), community organizations host free tax preparation clinics and arrange for volunteers to prepare income tax and benefit returns for eligible individuals who have a modest income and a simple tax situation.

If you are an NLHC tenant who might like to avail of these services, check out the Canada Revenue Agency's website for further information:

www.cra-arc.gc.ca/tx/
ndvdls/vlntr/ndeng.html

#### Veteran Affairs Canada offers services for Veterans and their families

There is a wide variety of services for Veterans and their families—including programs to assist after an injury or during the transition from military to civilian life, and many other services to help Veterans and their families throughout their life.

If you are a Veteran and could benefit from some of these services, check out the Veteran Affairs Canada website for further information: <a href="https://www.veterans.gc.ca/services">www.veterans.gc.ca/services</a>

## Smallwood Crescent Community Centre Receives Major Facelift

The Smallwood Crescent
Community Centre in
Marystown is undergoing
major renovations and improvements that will enhance
the services it offers. While
renovations are underway,
programs offered at the
centre are being held in two
different locations.

Area tenants looking for assistance in preparing resumes and youth seeking employment programs will



need to go to 24 Atlantic Crescent. The After-School Program, the Homework Program, Summer Programs and the Transitions-to-Work Program are operating from 83 Smallwood Crescent.

Inside renovations will include upgrading the washrooms and boardroom, renovating the kitchen area which will see new appliances, and making the facility fully wheelchair accessible. Exterior renovations will see new siding and a redesign. The renovation project which is funded by both the provincial and federal governments is expected to be completed by December 2017.

#### The Fry Family Foundation Scholarship Awards

The 12<sup>th</sup>Annual Fry Family Foundation (FFF) Scholarship Awards Ceremony was held on August 9th in the Foran/Green Room at City Hall. Over \$63,700 in scholarships were given out this year.

Since 2006, the FFF has provided 172 youth scholarships through the Community Centre Alliance (CCA) for the community centre members of Buckmaster's Circle, Rabbittown, Froude Avenue, MacMorran and Virginia Park.

The FFF supports students from grades 9-12 and/or single parents living in the partnering communities. The criterion is not only scholastic, but also includes an individual's community involvement as a leader, mentor and volunteer.

There are six scholarship categories: The Junior Scholarship valued at \$1,200, Enid Pendergast Junior Scholarship valued at \$1,500, Post-Secondary Entrance Scholarship valued at \$2,500, Bob Dawson Post-Secondary Entrance Scholarship valued at \$3,000, MUN Entrance Scholarship valued at \$5,000, and Dr. Philip Warren Achievement Scholarship valued at \$5000.

#### **NLHC Facts**

#### Did you know...

Many NLHC communities have access to services and programs that include:

- Recreation activities
- Education opportunities—scholarships
- Employment counselling and training
- Social events

Go to <a href="https://www.nlhc.nl.ca/documents/tenant/listComCentre.pdf">www.nlhc.nl.ca/documents/tenant/listComCentre.pdf</a> for a list of Community Centres. ■