



THE COAST LINE

New Development in the New Year!

As the new year unfolds so does the work of the Trust, as we continue to implement phases of the plan developed after the 2004 consultations with the community.

The focus of the Trust will always be to continue to support organizations within the current grant structure, but we are also looking at ways to support and facilitate new initiatives within the community that support families, work to

develop community-based transportation system for the region, work to support skills training and business development in the region.

This new approach has begun to take shape, and to ensure that we move these areas forward quickly, we are hiring a Community Developer for the area, on a one-year contract.

Resumes were received from 32 individuals for the position and it appears that

this region has no shortage of qualified people. We hope that the successful candidate will be joining us the first of January.

The Aspotogan Heritage Trust welcomes input from anyone who knows of a potential partnering and/or networking opportunity that we might benefit from.

The Trust will continue to respond to groups within the region, and further develop its role in areas such as:

- the coordination and facilitation of projects
- offering a centralized venue for meetings, equipment booking & community information
- providing copying services to non-profit groups
- sponsoring workshops, training and information sessions.

We are looking forward to being actively involved in our community in 2006!

' The mission of the Aspotogan Heritage Trust is to use its funds to encourage and support the social, cultural, educational, economic and environmental development of the region.'

The Coast Line is a quarterly newsletter, which is published entirely on-site at the office of the Aspotogan Heritage Trust.



The "Lights of Love" campaign is once again in full swing at Shatford Memorial Elementary School. The school is undergoing a school closure review by the Halifax Regional School Board. Supporters of the school are working tirelessly to prepare the report for the board which supports the recommendation to keep the school open. The School Board will make its final decision by April 15, 2006.



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A Note from the Chair...



The Christmas season brings a wondrous joy and a renewed sense of the goodness to be shared in an oft-times frightful world. Christmas memories, filtered by the years are the ingredients of wonderful stories told and retold to wide-eyed children and grandchildren. The South Shore abounds with rich tradition and the AHT and I celebrate with you and your loved ones.

“...and on earth peace, good will toward men.”

Robert Conrad, Chair

HAPPY NEW YEAR

Meet the Board of Directors

Hello Aspotogan Region'ers!

I am so grateful to have this opportunity to tell you a little bit about myself. Serving on the AHT board has been one of the most rewarding, demanding and exciting things that I have done! This is my fourth year as a Director and third year as Chair of the Community Development Committee.

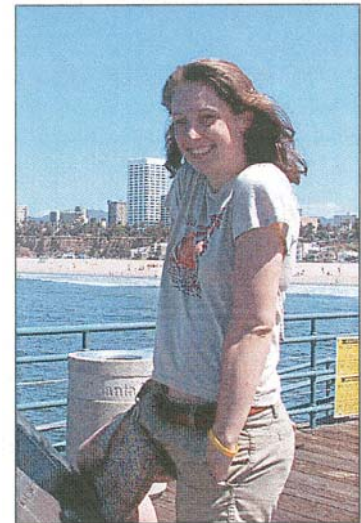
Growing up in both St. Margaret's Bay (Queensland) and Halifax has made me appreciate the incredible diversity that has led to the accomplishments and challenges of our community. By serving as an AHT director, I look forward to every meeting where I might get the opportunity to contribute to the growth of the Aspotogan region.

My fondest Queensland memories from childhood would not be complete without the many times I walked across the freshly painted deck or when I “accidentally” dropped a full can of pop only to have it explode and spray the whole kitchen with a fine layer of sticky carbonated mess. IF only to keep my family laughing, it is a good thing that I continue to walk on wet paint and make such messes in the kitchen!

While working in Los Angeles this summer (2005), I can not count the number of times I talked about Nova Scotia and how great it is to be from our area. I think my passion was infectious as I am now getting lots of calls asking for a tour guide! As I finish up my Dalhousie University MBA, I am about to embark on my own career in finance and strategy. BUT for now you can find me buried beneath a pile of books and papers to be completed!

Sincerely,

Gayle Murdoch



Holiday Hours

Please Note:

The Trust office will be closed for the Holidays from Dec 22 until Jan 3





Community Grants - Fall 2005

Junior Achievement of Nova Scotia

\$ 300

Sponsored a classroom for the "Economics of Staying in School" event which helps Grade 9 students explore the personal and financial realities of limiting their education.

Hubbards Barn Association

\$ 1,000

Contributed to the construction of a storage shed for the equipment acquired through the development of Barn & Community Park project.

Hubbards & Area Emergency Response Team (HAERT)

\$ 3,000

Contributed to the cost of installing a transfer switch and obtaining a mobile trailer for the generator.

Ocean Swells Community Association

\$ 150

Restoration of historic photos for the 40th Anniversary of the founding of Northwest Cove.

District #1 Fire Department Prize Bingo

\$ 115

Donated a prize towards the annual fundraiser.

Community Initiatives - Fall 2005

Through the Years Daycare & Community Centre—Daycare subsidy

\$ 5,000

Funds were made available to the centre to provide subsidized placements for families who need assistance with daycare support.

Western HRM Adult Literacy Network—Individual Support within Classroom Setting

\$ 3,500

Funds were used to provide Math/Science and Language Arts assistance to learners in a classroom setting, twice a week, as part of a joint funding project with the Department of Education, under the Nova Scotia School for Adult Learning.

St. Margaret's Bay Region Tourism Development Association—Job Depot Renovations

\$ 5,000

Funds were awarded to the Association in order to create office and meeting space in the lower level of the Visitors Centre. These renovations will provide much needed space for the ever-expanding services that the Job Depot is able to offer, as they continue to meet the employment needs of youth and adults in the area.

Hubbards & Area Food Bank

\$10,000

Supporting the work of the area's Food Bank by assisting with the costs associated with the expansion and renovation of their current facility. The construction will enable the organization to more effectively support families/individuals in the area.

Application forms for the Community Grant Funds can be found on our website.

Come see us online at www.aspotogan.org

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Statement of Financial Position

March 31, 2005

ASSETS	2005	2004
Cash/Receivables	\$ 142,789	\$ 149,236
Investments	3,384,687	3,394,056
Mortgage receivables	639,929	734,936
Capital assets	<u>186,384</u>	<u>194,016</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 4,353,789	\$ 4,472,244
LIABILITIES		
Bank Indebtedness	\$ -	\$ 134,117
Accounts payable/ Liabilities	25,829	13,252
Long term debt	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	25,829	147,369
NET ASSETS		
Net assets invested		
in capital assets	\$ 186,384	\$ 194,016
Unrestricted net assets	<u>4,141,576</u>	<u>4,130,859</u>
NET ASSETS	4,327,960	4,324,875
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
	\$ 4,353,789	\$ 4,472,244

(The following letter was received by the AHT as part of the Restorative Justice process. The individual responsible for the incident will remain anonymous)

Apology to Mill Cove Residents

On July 13th, 2005 I had created a small explosive and detonated it on the Mill Cove baseball field. I made this explosive out of scientific curiosity. It was not intended to scare any of you as it did to some. I apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused. This will not happen again.



The Holiday Season is fast approaching and with it comes an opportunity for us to extend best wishes to all. The Aspotogan Heritage Trust sends best wishes to everyone for a safe and happy holiday season and hope that your year is blessed with good health and prosperity.

*We look forward to working with you in 2006.
May the joy of the Holiday Season be yours!*

Call for Directors

This year, as with every year, we welcome interested members of the community to consider serving as a member of the Board of Directors. The volunteer Board consists of twelve Directors who each serve a three-year term, with the option of renewing for a second three-year term.

If you are interested in learning more about becoming a Director, please contact our office to obtain a copy of the Director Recruitment Package.



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