

# Town of Witless Bay

## September Newsletter

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### **BULK GARBAGE: FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 26TH**

The bulk collection that was scheduled for last week has been rescheduled for Friday, September 26, 2014. Bulk items must be placed at the roadside by 7:00am on September 19th. It may take a number of days for bulk items to be collected from all residents. A limit of 500 lbs or one pick up load (whichever is less) will be collected from each household. The last bulk garbage pickup of the year will be on November 28th.

<http://tinyurl.com/EasternWasteSchedule>

### **INTRODUCING THE WITLESS BAY PUFFIN CENTRE!**

Council held a contest where we invited the students at St. Bernard Elementary and Mobile High School to name our new recreation centre. Almost 200 students participated in the contest, and over 50 suggested that it be named after our Town's main emblem, the North Atlantic Puffin. After a series of consultations, it was decided that the new building would be called THE WITLESS BAY PUFFIN CENTRE! The building is now available for rental – Drop by the Town Office to pick up a rental agreement!

### **BASIC EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT (BEM) COURSE**

Witless Bay Council is spearheading the preparation of a regional Emergency Management Plan for the Bay Bulls to Bauline area. Part of this exercise involves training the volunteers. Fire & Emergency Services will be coming to Witless Bay to offer the "Basic Emergency Management" course on three consecutive Wednesday evenings (6pm to 10pm): November 19<sup>th</sup>, November 26<sup>th</sup>, and December 3<sup>rd</sup>. Please contact the Town Office to sign up: 334-3407.

### **REMINDER: PERMITS REQUIRED FOR DEVELOPMENT**

To protect residents & landowners from issues resulting from unregulated, unauthorized & unlawful development, the Town requires that a permit be obtained before the start of any construction project or project involving machinery which transforms the landscape or alters water flows. Carrying out work without a permit or with an expired permit carries a fine of up to \$5,000 for a first offence, and if the work violates zoning regulations, laws or by-laws, an additional fine of up to \$10,000 may apply. The owner may be held responsible for the cost of dismantling the construction and restoring the site, as well as the cost of rectifying any problems. The fine for disobeying a Stop Work Order is \$500/day. If you're considering a project, please visit the Town Office to obtain an application form & a copy of the applicable bylaws, policies & procedures. Council meets on the second Tuesday of every month, at 7:30pm. The deadline for your application to be considered at the next public meeting is at Noon on Thursday, October 9<sup>th</sup>.

# A SCUFF & A SCOFF!

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The Town is holding a going-away party for the Folklore students who spent the month of September in the community. The party starts with a ***community potluck supper***, followed by a ***presentation*** by the students. The students will tell us about their experience in our community, show us their work and describe what they've discovered. After the presentation, we'll have a ***party*** with local entertainment! Remember to bring your instruments and your dancing shoes!

**Saturday, September 27<sup>th</sup>**

**5:00pm**

**Witless Bay Puffin Centre**

*(the new rec centre on South Side Track)*

Admission is FREE (just bring a dish to share!) and everyone is welcome!