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Kennect Monthly



Indian River Festival, Indian River



The Haunted Mansion, Kensington

New Website Launched

www.kensington.ca

Several months ago the Town of Kensington and the Kensington & Area Chamber of Commerce began brainstorming various ways we could expand our websites. Both sites were out-dated; the overall look didn't fit with our direction. We decided to work together on a Portal site; providing central storage space for information regarding

the Town, Chamber, Tourist Association and other community organizations. A Portal site is a means for collaboration; by sharing information and working together it enables us to better serve our clients, members and businesses. It will provide easy access to information on the activities and services of the Kensington &



Area Chamber of Commerce and the Town of Kensington along with other key groups in our area.

Browse our site!!

Member's Directory

Please, all members check out the Member's Directory on the Chamber website. Make sure your informa-

tion is correct. Please note this is a work in process and we are committed to bringing you the best quality

of service through on line information.



Website Highlights

- Member's Directory
- Chamber Poll
- Chamber News
- Business News
- Chamber Newsletters
- Source Newsletters (under news)
- Chamber Benefits
- Chamber Events
- Photo Gallery
- Membership Services
- Sponsorship Opportunities

kensington.ca

Please Note:
 The Chamber poll will be updated the end of every month and results will be posted in the newsletter.
 Front page news will be updated daily.
 Click on the top navigation bar to view source newsletters provided by:

- Food & Technology
- Donald Cooper
- WCB Employee Advisory
- And other news

Chamber Events Calendar

Please check out the calendar of events on the website


If you are a member of the Kensington & Area Chamber of Commerce and have a special event coming up; you will have the opportunity to post it on our calendar.

Please contact the office for a calendar of events form and criteria.






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 Corporation au bénéfice du développement communautaire

- * *Business Loans / Prêts d'entreprise*
- * *Entrepreneurship Support Programs / Programmes de soutien à l'entrepreneurship*
- * *Business Counselling / Conseils en affaires*



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Agency

Agence de
promotion économique
du Canada atlantique



New Members Welcome!



John Farquharson



I have traveled throughout PEI for more than 30 years as a sales agent, and I'm familiar with almost every nook and cranny in Prince Edward Island. I can show you some pretty interesting sites in the many beautiful areas of the island.

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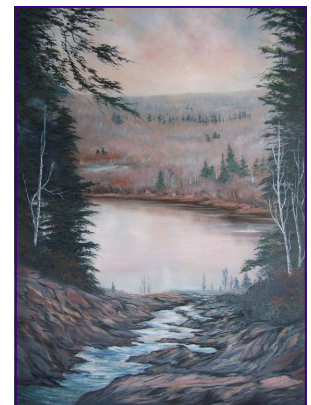


Edie has been painting since the early 60s and began teaching in 1980. Lately her style has switched from realism to impressionism.

Using many layers of hues, tones and color temperatures she mainly paints intuitively while her paintings capture the substance of the landscape without photo realism. Understanding that she could translate her close study of nature into pleasing paintings by letting her imagination take over until she has created a work that is often mystic, spiritual and energetic.

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Please call for an appointment.



Health & Safety Week

May 3 to 9, 2009

Lunch & Learn

Location: Lotus Garden, Restaurant

Date: May 7, 2009

Time: 12—noon

Price: \$15.00

RSVP: May 6, 2009

**The Kensington & Area Chamber of Commerce will be hosting a
Lunch & Learn during Health & Safety Week.**

Do you have young people in your workplace? What is your role in helping them to "make it home safe every day?" This presentation will point out a few things to consider when hiring employees between the ages of 15 - 24.



**Are you hiring people between the
ages of 15-24?**

**If so, this Lunch & Lean
is for you!**



Board of Directors 2009

President: George Nelson, Scotiabank Manager, Kensington Branch

Past President: Ryan Simmonds, Roberts Petrocan

Treasurer: Ronda Bellefontaine, Like Nobody's Business

Directors

Phyllis Carr, Carr's Oyster Bar

Tracey MacEwen, Malpeque Bay Credit Union

Brian Howard, Toombs, Howard, MacDougall Chartered Accountants

Ryan Cochrane, Stanley Bridge Country Resort

Wendy Dickenson, Beairsto Insurance

John Davison, Haunted Mansion

Kent MacLeod, Kensington Metal Products

Gary Gallant, Kensington Club

Mike James, Spring Valley Building Centre Inc.

David Kiff, Town of Kensington

Committees 2009

Summer Events Committee:

We have a very exciting summer ahead of us with four large events taking place. These events are: Tour de PEI, Cavendish Music Festival, Canada Games and the Annual Harvest Festival. These events have huge potential for businesses in Kensington and surrounding areas.

The purpose of this committee is to insure that our members have an equal opportunity to receive the financial rewards that these events will offer. The committee will suggest appropriate ways to market, promote and collaborate with our members leading up to and during these events.

Membership Committee:

The purpose of this committee is to promote membership in Kensington proper. Although membership has increased significantly; only 35 % of Town businesses are currently members. This is an area of concern. The committee will help identify the cause and work on ways to improve communication and the needs of this area. Town businesses are essential to a strong membership pool as they offer valuable resources and strengthen networking opportunities for everyone concerned.

Member's Networking & Training Committee:

The purpose of this committee will be to evaluate and suggest ideas to improve networking and training opportunities for our members.

Business Awards Committee:

The purpose of this committee is to plan for and promote the BAE.

Government Affairs Committee:

This committee will be responsible for establishing the needs of the business community and make recommendations to government and other officials on their behalf. This is an essential and important role for the Chamber.

Finance Committee:

Committee Chairs

Membership Committee:

Mike James

Member's Networking & Training Committee:

Ronda Bellefontaine

Business Awards Committee:

Tracey MacEwen

Government Affairs Committee:

Brian Howard

Finance Committee:

George Nelson

Summer Events Committee Co-Chairs

Gary Gallant

John Davison

Calling for Volunteers

The Kensington & Area Chamber of Commerce has experienced many positive changes over the past several years. Due to the significant growth in membership we find ourselves at a cross road and recognize the need to expand our member services in order to sustain membership and provide necessary services to our members. The Board of Directors held a strategic planning session in March to examine the needs of our membership and to formulate an essential improvement plan.

We are seeking members who may be interested in becoming involved and serving on one of the volunteer committees:

Trivia Question April 2009

What phrase is said to be the most oft-printed warning in the history of the printed word?

Monthly Trivia

Submit the correct answer to the Kensington & Area Chamber of Commerce office by emailing kacc@pei.aibn.com by March 31, for a chance to win a Spud FM T-Shirt. The correct answer and winner will be announced in the May Newsletter.

