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Where did April showers come from?

The saying can be traced back to England from the 1500s poet Thomas Tusser. Back then, he wrote "Sweet April showers do spring May Flowers"





The phrase "April showers bring May flowers" is a popular saying used often during the month of April. This is typically the time when the last bit of snow turns to all rain as temperatures climb, and increased rain shower activity sparks the beginning of flowers and plants to really start blooming.



Did you know?

The fly-fishing season on the Miramichi River runs for six months from the opening on the 15th of April until closing on the 15th of October. This is the longest fishing season for Atlantic salmon in the world.













Spring has arrived! This time of the year often brings a sense of starting over. Doaktown and our neighbours are starting over and doing a reset in the way we do our banking. For many years Scotiabank has served this area and served us well. They have decided to move on and provide banking from urban centers and rely solely on travel or on-line service for rural Canada. Many residents want to remain banking the way they did for decades, understandable, but it is not a reality. Scotiabank is leaving, and no other financial institution will move into a rural area to set up shop.

A concerned group decided to form a financial institution committee, and we were determined to bring a "brick and mortar" bank or credit union to our community. Many contacts were attempted or made, and the committee faced outright rejection or no response at all.

Then CIBC reached out to us and together we developed a plan to bring a new form of banking to the area. CIBC wants to create a model that fits rural Canada, and they have proven to be "all in." They are utilizing Doaktown and the surrounding areas as an example for other small rural communities that have faced the same loss. The Fredericton team has been forthright, hardworking, open to the needs of the Village, and they are fully supported by their corporate level.

So, the question many ask is, "How does it look"? This was addressed at a Town Hall meeting on Thursday, March 14, at the Doaktown Legion. On March 20, CIBC came to Doaktown for their first official business day for the start of a new era in banking. They are taking six appointments every Wednesday. All you need to do is call (506) 458-9147 ext. 231 and let them know you are from Doaktown or area and would like to make an appointment.

Obviously, participation is simply the only path to success! Eventually, through a sound business plan, we will get a "state of the art" ATM and develop new ways to provide all forms of banking. There will also be a mobile banking truck on site in April and May to assist in requirements for deposits and cash. The absolute best way to find out all the details is to book an appointment and provide details on what your banking needs are.

As a committee or municipal council, we cannot tell you where or how to bank. To support your community and the residents that find it difficult to travel or do online banking, jump onboard and be a part of the solution.

In closing, it is very normal to be afraid and leery of the unknown, but the best remedy is to educate yourself and then decide. My thought is, you will be pleasantly impressed with where we can go with this era of doing business!

Mayor Art O'Donnell

Church Services

Good Shephard Parish -Our Lady of Annunciation

Fridays - 6:30 pm Saturdays - 4 pm

St. Bridget's - Renous St. Raphael's - Blackville

Mondays - 11 am Tuesdays - 9 am Sundays - 11 am Sundays - 9 am

Abundant Life Church

Morning Worship & Sunday School Sundays - 11 am

> Bible Study Tuesdays - 7 pm

Miramichi Valley Church

Sundays - 10:30 am Mid Week Study Wednesdays - 7 pm

Anglican Parish St. Andrew's - Doaktown St. James the Greater- Ludlow

Sunday, April 7 & 14 9 am - Ludlow 11 am - Doaktown

Sunday, April 21 & 28 9 am - Doaktown 11 am - Ludlow

United Church

Sundays - 11 am

April 7 - Boiestown - communion & potluck

April 14 - Doaktown

April 21 - Boiestown

April 28 - Doaktown

Allegheny Wesleyan Methodist Church

Sundays - 11 am & 6 pm Wednesday - 7 pm





CIBC Banking Services Make your appointment now!

Customer Service Representatives will be in Doaktown for <u>pre-</u> booked appointments at:

274 Main Street, Doaktown

Starting Wednesday March 20, 2024, and every following Wednesday

To book your appointment, please call 506-458-9147 ext.: 231

Please let them know you are calling for the "Doaktown Location".

Boiestown and Surrounding areas please also state "Doaktown Location" when booking. This gives the info needed for the Case Study.

Services offered:

- Account Openings (Chequing, Savings and Business Accounts)
- Investment Account Openings (TFSA, RRSP, Non-Registered Investments)
 - GIC's
 - Mutual Fund Solutions
 - Basic Savings Account
- Lending Applications
 - Personal Lines of Credit
 - Personal Loans
 - Mortgages
 - Home Equity Lines of Credit
 - Credit Card Applications

Essentially they are full service w/exception of cash and cheque handling.

CIBC will be having a Mobile ATM system in Doaktown for the months of April & May.

In order to get a full time ATM (Automated Teller Machine which is a self-service banking outlet). CIBC needs to create a Case Study to show that it would be financially feasible to have an ATM in our area full time. The Case Study will be based on the volume of usage and need.

Please show our support in order to get the ATM here full time.







Prospect Place ** is the Place to be!

Family Event - Everyone Welcome 22 Prospect Street, Doaktown April 8, 2024

1:00 pm to 3:00 pm

Children must be accompanied by an adult

*Door Prizes

*Free Glow Skating

*Puppet Show

*Photo Booth

*Free Eclipse Glasses

*Free Hot Dogs

*Free Hot Chocolate

*Free Glow Sticks

Stay Tuned for More Updates and Add Ons!

You Don't Want to Miss It!

Doaktown Fitness Centre



NOW IS THE TIME!!!!





Summer Is just around the corner!

Time to come join us at the Doaktown Fitness Centre and get rid of those winter blues!

Memberships can be purchased at Doaktown Village Office

Monday – Friday 8am-5pm (closed 12-1:15pm for Lunch)

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Doaktown Fitness Centre (Cash Only)

Monday to Thursday 8am to 12noon and 5pm-7pm Friday 8am-12

Or by contacting Sarah at 506-478-2099

Membership Pricing

Monthly	.\$40.00
First Responders	.\$30.00/monthly
Seniors (55+)	.\$30.00/monthly
Students(14+)	\$30.00/monthly
Key Fob (one time only fee)	\$10.00
Day Pass	\$10.00
6 Months	\$200.00
Yearly	\$400.00



Learn a Rhyme, Make a Toy & Play Outside

Lilac trees, rose bushes and magnolias are budding. Daylight is brighter, and days are warmer and longer. It's time to stop and take notice with our little ones.

One might think that young children and babies are not interested in nature, but nature is very much part of their human heritage. They breath the air, see the light, hear the sounds, taste flavors, feel the space and touch things. They are much more capable than we think! Did you know that a twelve-month-old is capable of "noticing and being aware" so we can bring things to their attention and invite them to touch and manipulate. Taking them outside to look at buds on trees and bushes every other day and showing your surprise, interest and fascination will call on their attention span. They will feel the moment and notice the small changes on the growing plants. But careful! No touching the baby flowers!

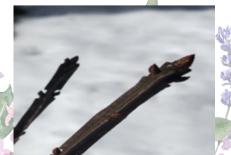
Around the age of twenty-four months, children acquire "consciousness of self and get a sense of the structure of things" so they know that things are made of parts that come together. They are aware of "sequences and are interested in symbols and words". Back outside to look at the buds growing and the leaves coming out to learn new words like trunk, branches, bark, leaves, and growing baby flowers. Young children that age can know that something is fragile and are able to respect simple rules like no touching!! Around two years old they can appreciate the picture or a drawing of a flower and love putting them up at eye level in their playroom or bedroom.

Three-year-olds are particularly interested in sounds. Granted that baby flowers don't make much noise, but the children do enjoy stories and rhythms so, making up a story about you and them looking out for buds and observing how they bloom, making drawings about the adventure, coloring them, and binding them with a piece of wool or string will be so much fun. Three-year-olds do get excited about things, and they are particularly sensitive.

By the time children are four years old, they become aware of "quantities, value and the phenomenon of cause to effect". Their growing minds can manage more information. They can understand that the buds need warmth and sunshine to bloom. They can grasp that plants need water and food to produce flowers, and that flowers will offer seeds so the plant can multiply. The adventure becomes boundless, and their knowledge will bloom like the flowers in our gardens.

If young children don't understand things intellectually, they make sense of them with their feelings, their emotions, and their soul. Yes! Their soul is budding under their skin like that of a flower bud under the bark of a plant or tree. It's up to us adults to cherish and nurture their growth and awakening and their discovery of springtime delights.







Contributed by: Suzanne (Sue) Major, PhD, Anthropology of Early Childhood Education and Christian Cailliau, MA, Policy, and Practices in Adult Education

Doaktown Community-School Library

430 Main Street, Doaktown, N.B.



Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday: 9 am - 11:30 am and 12:30 pm - 4:30 pm Thursday: 12:30 pm - 4:30 pm and 5:30 pm - 8 pm

Follow us on Facebook for up-to-date information on programs and services

We have Curbside Pick-up!!! Call 365-2018 to book an appointment!

JOIN US FOR OUR LIBRARY PROGRAMS!!

WELLNESS ACTIVITIES

GAMES IN THE LIBRARY

Mondays 1 pm Tuesdays 1 pm



BRIDGE

Wednesdays 12:30 pm - 4 pm

KEEPING ACTIVE

CHAIR EXERCISES

Tuesdays 2 pm



TANGLED TALES

KEEPING YOU IN STITCHES

Thursdays 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm

BUSY BEE QUILTERS

April 4th & April 18th @ 2 pm



FOR CHILDREN

PLAYGROUP (Chipman Care 'N' Share)

Wednesdays 9 am -11 am

Advanced French Class

Mondays 2 pm-3:30 pm

Beginner French Class

Thursdays 6 pm-7:30 pm

"Volunteers do not necessarily have the time; they just have the heart."



- Elizabeth Andrew



Thank you to our many library volunteers!!

Pumpkin Growing and Pie Baking Contest!

Can you grow the BIGGEST pumpkin?



Can you bake the BEST pie?



Judging will take place on Saturday, October 5th.

Gardeners and Bakers of all ages are welcome to participate!



What is a Solar Eclipse?



Check out our eclipse model and display at the library!!

Read-to-Ride

A reminder to the Doaktown Elementary School students to fill out your Read-to-Ride ballots and return them to the

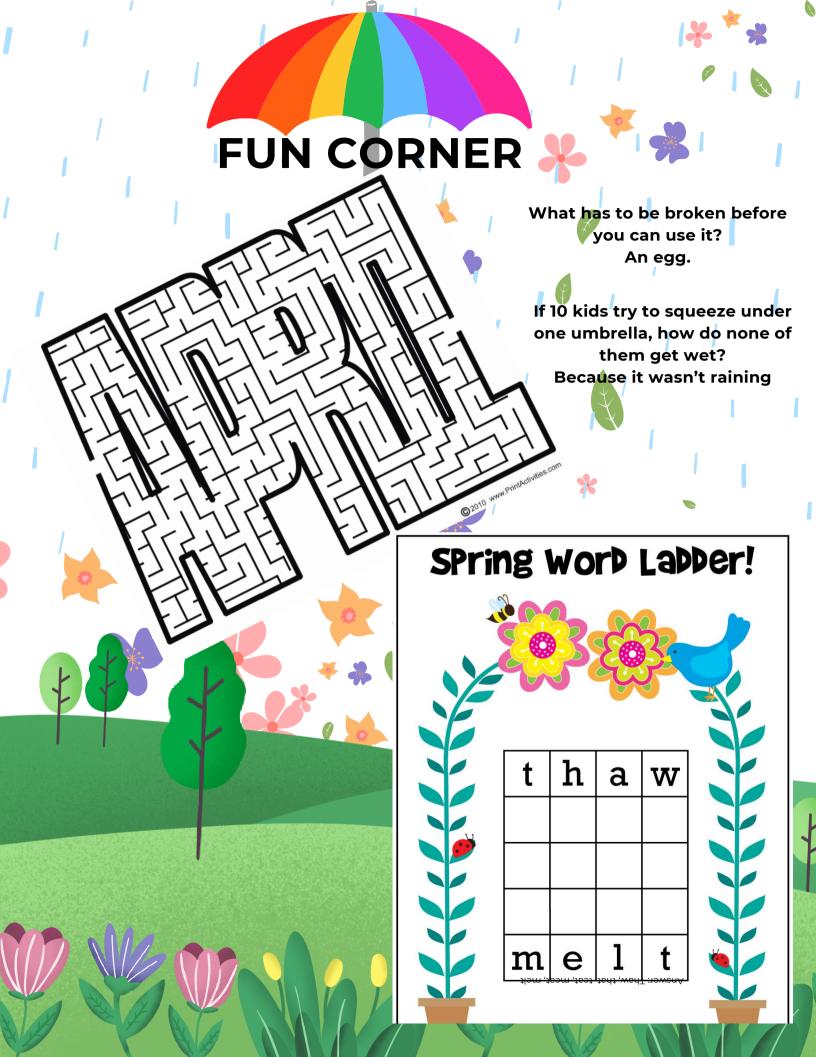


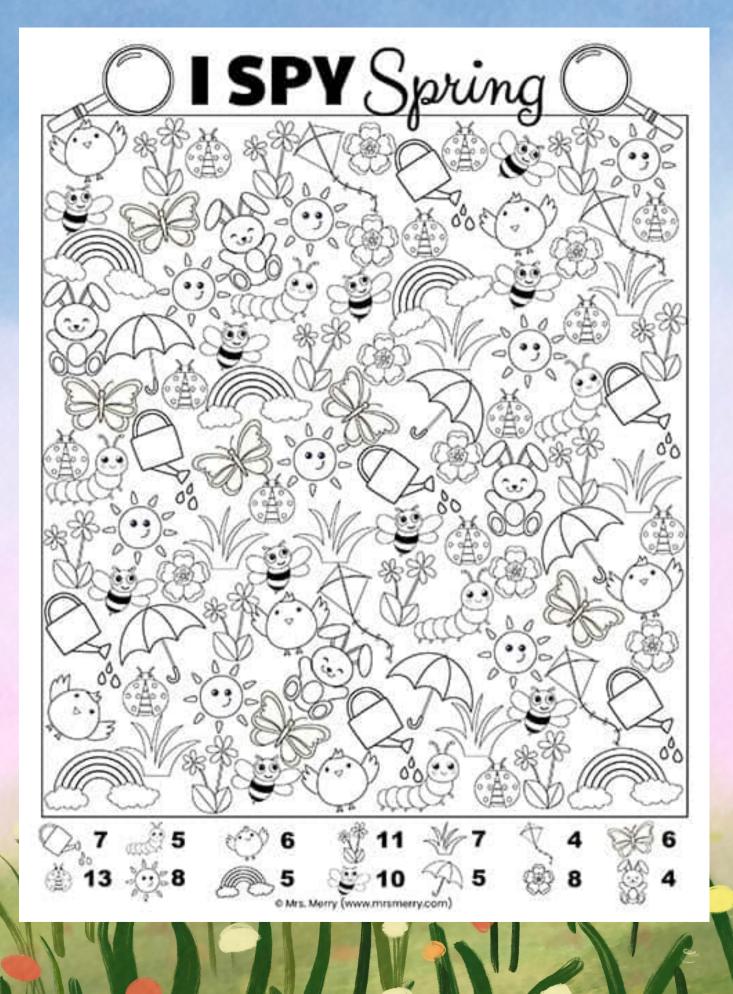
Winner!! Winner!!

Congratulations to the Doaktown Elementary School students who won our writing contest.

Thank you to all the participants!!

Ella Dugalici - 1st Place Kindergarten Hunter Holmes - 1st Place Grade 1 Leighton Clowater - 1st Place Grade 2/3 Paisley Price - 1st Place Grade 3/4 Carly Snow - 1st Place Grade 5





Merchandise Bingo

714 Main St. Doaktown Catholic Church Center

Saturday, April 6, 2024 - 7 pm Bring your dabbers

Canteen available

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Saturday April 27, 2024 - 7 pm

Bring your Bingo Chips

Proceeds to send children to Camp

Sheldrake in Miramichi

SCHOOL NEWS Central New Brunswick Academy

Volleyball season is up and going at CNBA. The senior girls volleyball team have some upcoming games listed below. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Home Games

April 15 - 6 pm

April 26 - 6 pm

April 29 - 6 pm

<u>Upcoming Tournaments</u>

April 6-7 at Grant Harvey Center

April 12-13 at CNBA

April 19-20 at Blackville



Monthly Council Meeting

Regular meetings are held on the third Wednesday of every month.

Apr. 17, 2024 - 7:30 pm

May 15, 2024 - 7:30 pm

June 19, 2024 - 7:30 pm



Garbage & Recycling Schedule

Apr. 1 - Garbage

Apr. 8 - Recycling

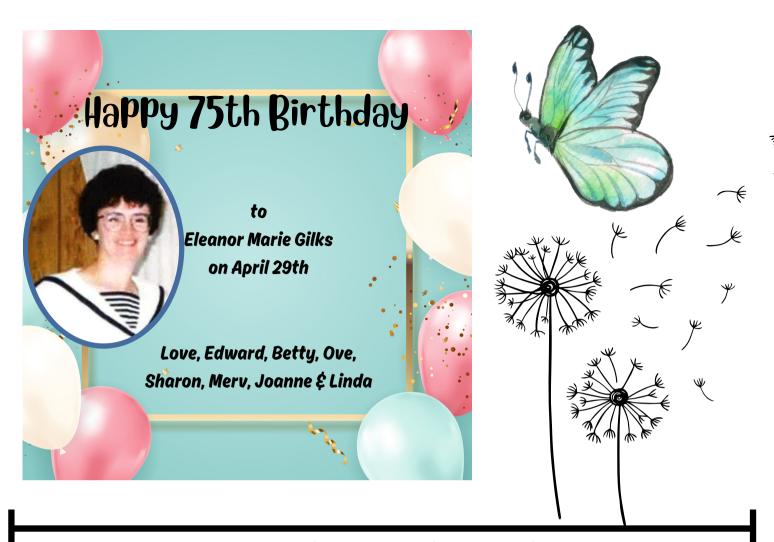
Apr. 15 - Garbage

Apr. 22 - Recycling

Apr. 29 - Garbage

May 6 - Recycling

Please note that garbage will not be picked up in a blue bin or a painted blue bin



Evelock Gilks Memorial Bonspiel

The Evelock Gilks Memorial Bonspiel was a great success. Congratulations to the 1st place team, from left to right, Malcom Bowes, Matt Bowes, Riley Bowes and Chantelle Symes. The 2nd place winners, from left to right, Matt Mersereau, Billy Fairley, Brian Peterson and Wayne Amos.

The 2nd place team would like to thank Winston Gilks for sponsoring them. A huge thank you to Norman Betts and Laura Gilks for all of their hard work. Also, thank you to all those who volunteered assisted and attended. A job well done!







Central New Brunswick Nursing Home

The Central New Brunswick Nursing Home is replacing 25 of their existing hospital beds. They are reaching out to the community to see if there is interest in purchasing one of these beds.

There are 25 single electric beds and 10 mattresses available. On a first come first served basis. You will be required to pick up your bed from the nursing home. If you are interested in purchasing a bed, contact Wendy at CNBNH at (506) 369-7262, ext 2. They are expecting their new beds by the end of March or early April (subject to change).



MEET THE NEIGHBORS



This house was placed on this piece of land, so we have been told, by Edison Doak and his family. We fell in love with this little house with its huge character the very second we laid eyes on her.

But it's not just bricks and mortar that makes a home. I used to think it was those that dwelled inside and yes to some degree that is true, but not all.

Dale, Daniel and myself (Tracy) left the Ontario big city, one we were no longer fond of, with 4 cats, an aging dog and a canary with attitude, to return to the countryside life we both had grown up with. Dan, only ever knowing city life, had some trepidation at first.

Retiring from stressful jobs in search of a different pace of life, we feel we have found so much more.

We have not been here that long, moving just last summer, and already have so much to be grateful for - mostly YOU, the People from around here. From Blackville to Boiestown, all have been so welcoming. I could mention names but there are not enough pages in this issue for you all - I mean how on earth could I mention the Colfords and not the Porters, or the Gilks without the Robichauds – the list goes on and on.

Certain people were looking after us before we even got here, special and dear neighbours, everyone we consider very valued and appreciated friends.

So yes, we have our little house in our patch of woods, but it is YOU that have truly made it

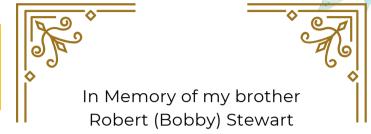
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MEMORIALS & THANK YOU

Thank you is an understatement!
I am having a hard time putting my gratitude into words. Please know how much I appreciate all of the support, monitory gifts, kindness, prayers and thoughtfulness from my family, friends and the community. Special thanks to Jamie and Gerald for driving me to the hospital for the past 3 months to visit Billy.

Thank you again and Happy Easter Everyone.

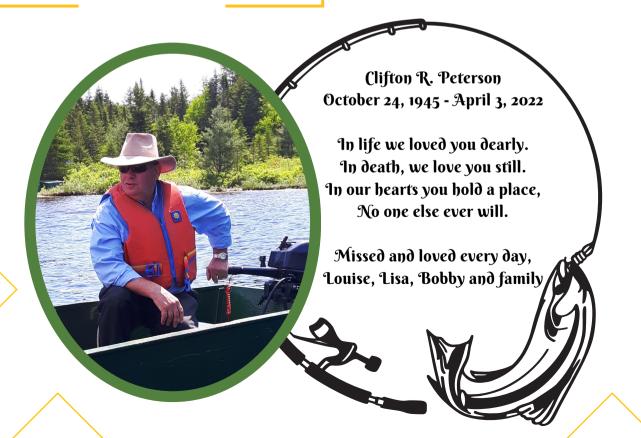
Leila, Billy and family



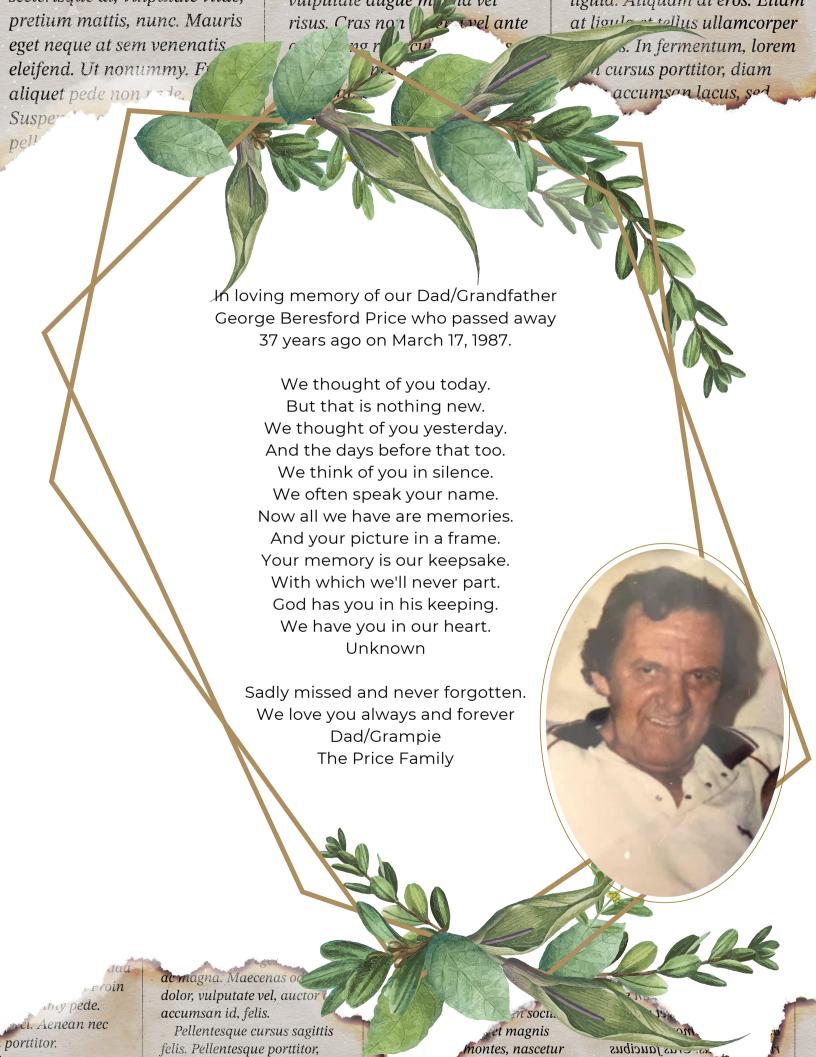
Your life was a blessings, your memory a treasure, you are loved beyond words and missed beyond measure.

Forever in our hearts.

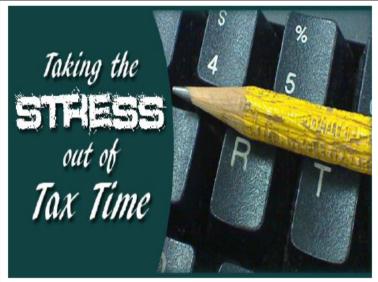
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New Hours of Operation

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Tuesday - 8 am - 4 pm

Wednesday - **CLOSED**

Thursday - 8 am - 4 pm

Friday - 8 am - 4 pm

Saturday - 8 am - 4 pm

Sunday - CLOSED



Closed for lunch 11:30 am - 12 pm

Please Note:

Due to changes coming into effect, and in preparation for the expected busy season, we would like to inform you of following:

- Big truck loads are welcome, but there may be times when you might be asked to leave them, along with your name, telephone number and/or email address. We will contact you when counting has been completed and your money is ready. Every effort will be made to have this done within 24 hours.
- Counting can be time consuming. It would not be fair to our customers that only bring 3-4 bags to wait while we count up big loads.
- The only exception to the drop off rule for large loads, will be if your delivery has been pre-counted. At that time payment will be made immediately. We will be asking that all pre-counted loads be left with a name, telephone number, and or email address in case of discrepancies.

Should you have any questions or require clarification phone (506) 365-7326 or (506) 365-0033 (cell).

























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WHO WE ARE

The Josie Foundation is a non-profit incorporated Foundation whose aim is to establish, receive and maintain a fund for the relief of economic hardship for individuals (families) within the Miramichi area who may be encountering financial difficulty as a result of a life-threatening illness.

OUR MISSION

To provide assistance to patients in order to make their fight with life threatening illnesses a little less challenging.

WE RISE BY LIFTING OTHERS

-Robert Ingersoll

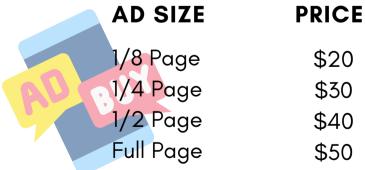








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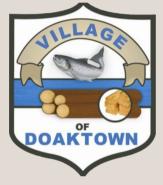
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<u> April 15, 2024</u>

VILLAGE OF DOAKTOWN

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