

BELFAST LIONS COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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NEWSLETTER INFORMATION

The Belfast Lions Club recognizes that the community missed seeing the printed newsletter. Based on feedback received, we are pleased to reinstate this monthly publication once again.

As a not for profit group, the Lions Club is encouraging area businesses to advertise within this publication to assist in offsetting the \$350 monthly cost of printing and distribution of 850 copies to mailboxes in the Belfast community and surrounding areas.

Your advertising will generate new and recurring business for yourself as well as provide ongoing community support for local events and activities.

If you are interested in reserving advertising space or require additional details, please contact Gary Oulton at 902-313-2000. Email correspondence should be directed to the Belfast Newsletter at belfastnewsletter999@gmail.com

The advertising options are:

- 1) 1" x 2" for graphic / text: \$2.72/month or \$32.88/year
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- 3) 1.5" x 4" for graphic / text: \$7.29/month or \$87.48/year

On behalf of all the Belfast Lions, Belfast and surrounding communities, we would like to thank you for your contribution in support of this community service.

Community service announcements should generally be limited to a maximum of a quarter page (~30 lines / 300 words). Larger community announcements may be included if space permits.

Save Belfast Consolidated School, established in 1968. Voices were raised in protest and disbelief when the Public Schools Branch Better Learning for All School Review recommended the closure of Belfast Consolidated School. It seems unthinkable that a school that is the least expensive to heat compared to its peers, is in no need of repair, and is the home school of the highest achieving students of the Montague family of schools could be closed. Look no farther than the school's brand new \$70,000 playground for physical evidence of the pride that this community takes in its school.

Since the report has been released, the community has rallied and formed the **Save Belfast School Committee**. Committee members are currently preparing for the next round of public consultations being held on February 7th in Montague, and we need your help!

First off, our Research sub-committee is trying to get a more accurate forecast of population growth, and of projected bus route times. Please get the word out to parents with pre-school aged children and ask them to contact savebelfast@gmail.com with the following information:

1. the name of their child;
2. his/her birthdate (or due date);
3. their civic address; and
4. if they would be interested in child care offered at the school.

All personal information will be kept confidential and is simply being used to collate data for future growth of our community, and the logistics of bus travel times - two key statistics we think were misrepresented in the report. We need to show what we know: that our vibrant community is growing!

Have you got something to say?

A public meeting to allow for responses to the report's recommendations is taking place at Montague Regional High School on Tuesday, February 7th at 7pm. If you wish to make an individual presentation to the review board, book a time by contacting Bob Andrews at 902-368-5868, or via e-mail at rgandrews@edu.pe.ca. You can also submit a response online at <http://www.princeedwardisland.ca/betterlearningforall>

Stronger together

In the coming days, there will be more help needed, and many opportunities to get involved. Like/visit our FaceBook page "Save Belfast School" or check out our website www.savebelfast.com for the latest updates on our actions and progress. Send the committee an e-mail at savebelfast@gmail.com, or drop in to our Community Action Centre at the Belfast Volunteer Fire Department. (Hours will be posted online).

We are stronger together, so please help us keep our message strong and positive, and get our hashtags trending:
#BelfastConsolidated #SaveIslandSchools

To quote Belfast Consolidated alumni Paper Lions, "*Please don't be a stranger in my place.*"

Get involved, be heard, and stay tuned for updates.

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The Deuce is Loose!

Come join your neighbors every Tuesday at the Belfast Rec Centre for our local fundraiser and progressive lottery. Ticket sales and kitchen/bar opens at 6:00pm, trivia with prizes starts at 7:20. Ticket sales close at 8:00pm and the draw is at 8:15. Tickets are also available for purchase at Cooper's.

Belfast Bulldogs Bite Back - Fundraising Concert

Please join us **Saturday Feb 4th at 7PM** at the Belfast Consolidated school gym for an evening of entertainment to raise funds for our "**Save Belfast School**" campaign. We have an amazing line up of entertainers, Kelly Mooney, Justin Simard and Paper Lions just to name a few (more names to be released soon). Our MC for the evening will be Alan Buchanan. You are not going to want to miss it!!!! There will be canteen services, 50/50 and a silent cake auction. Let's show our community spirit and get everyone out to support our school. Admission will be by donation. Contact Amanda at 902-388-0427 or mandamac25@hotmail.com.

Curling Bonspiel

The Belfast Curling league is hosting a fun Bonspiel on **Saturday February 4th** during the day.

- \$100 per team
- 4-end games (1 hour max)
- Schedule:
 - If 8 teams --> 3 games guaranteed
 - If 10 or 12 teams --> double elimination
- Canteen and licensed cash bar (19 and over)
- Pool table available
- Registration deadline Monday Jan 30th
- Contact Gary Oulton at 902-313-2000 or garydoulton@hotmail.com

All entry fees go to the Belfast Rec Centre.

Computer and Electronics Services

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DEADLINE

Deadline for the next newsletter is February 21, 2017 at 6:00pm. Email correspondence should be directed to belfastnewsletter999@gmail.com. Items can also be dropped off at Cooper's Red & White.

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