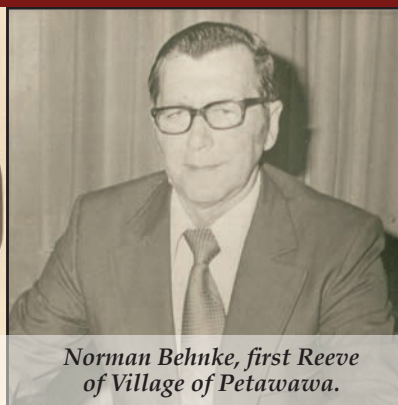
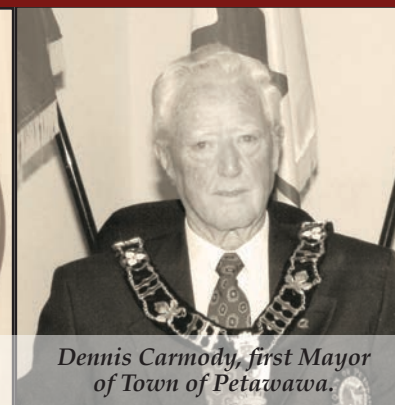


James McGregor, first Reeve of Township of Petawawa.



Norman Behnke, first Reeve of Village of Petawawa.



Dennis Carmody, first Mayor of Town of Petawawa.

# PETAWAWA *Town* TIMES

1865-2015

## THEN, NOW & TOMORROW - 150 Years in Petawawa

### MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

Welcome to the 150th Anniversary Edition of the Town Times. I hope you will find this publication useful in learning all about what the Town of Petawawa has to offer you and how you can become involved in your community. You may also learn a little history about the community which you call home!

The Township of Petawawa was incorporated in 1865 after separating from Rolph, Buchanan, Wylie and McKay and Alice Townships. In 1961, Petawawa Township was formally split into two separate municipalities, owing to the fact that ratepayers felt that there should be a clear distinction between the urban and rural components of the Township and how they should be governed.

Over time, a number of factors contributed to the consideration of "one" Petawawa again. These included the reduction of transfer payments from the province to municipalities, the physical blending of the urban and rural areas due to development, the potential positive advantage for planning and economic development, and the potential cost savings that could be realized by joining the two municipalities.

On July 1, 1997, the Township and Village of-

ficially amalgamated to become the "Town of Petawawa", the largest municipality in Renfrew County.

Planning for the future has always been a large part of Petawawa's success. Over the next four years Council will have the opportunity to review and update several planning documents, such as our Zoning By-law, Strategic Plan, Procedural By-law, and Asset Management Plan & Strategy - particularly the financial aspect. As our community continues to grow, it is essential to conduct an organizational review of the Town's administrative structure to ensure the structure meets the needs of our ever growing community.

There are many challenges and issues that our team will have to consider. Some tabled from the previous administration, some as a result of initiatives identified during the election and some as a result of input from our constituents.

- Our "pay as you go" philosophy has enabled us to provide exceptional services to our residents for many years. We will continue to monitor and review the relevance of this policy moving forward.

- We look forward to continued growth in building construction, and in particular

commercial expansion within our community. I am proud to report that we will see new commercial construction in 2015 in our community. This commercial growth will complement the already large residential growth that we have experienced over the last number of years.

- Partnerships have always been and will continue to play a vital role in the success of Petawawa. We will continue to enhance communications with the County of Renfrew as well as our neighbouring municipalities on joint ventures such as the Ottawa Valley Waste Management Board, Festival Hall Consortium, and Pembroke and Area Airport Commission, to name a few.

- The special relationship that we enjoy with Garrison Petawawa will continue to be a priority for this Council. As we work in harmony and partnership on many issues of common interest we will continue to enhance the quality of life for all civilian and military members within our community.

- We look forward to keeping the lines of communication open with Canadian Nuclear Laboratories Limited as their structure continues to evolve. We will keep abreast of the many changes forecasted for this institution.

- Council will continue to seek opportunities to satisfy

the senior housing needs within our community.

- Council will address economic development and tourism opportunities by reviewing federal and provincial grant programs.

Without a doubt, the Town of Petawawa is witnessing a rapid growth period. You can feel confident that Council and staff are planning diligently for the future. We are committed to making sure that all of our

residents have access to excellent public services while at the same time maintaining a practical tax rate. Whether it is our outstanding library services, our top-notch special events, our effective police and fire services, or our quality infrastructure network, the Town of Petawawa will continually strive to exceed your expectations!

We are celebrating an important milestone in 2015 - the 150th Anniversary

of our Town. Anniversary celebrations are scheduled over the weekend of August 21st to 23rd at the Petawawa Civic Centre. Volunteer opportunities will be available during this weekend and I encourage all residents to get involved in the celebration of "Then, Now & Tomorrow"!

*Bob Sweet*

Mayor Bob Sweet  
Town of Petawawa



Following the 2014 Municipal Election, the inaugural meeting of the 2014-2018 term of Council was held on December 1, 2014. Back row, from left are Councillor Gary Serviss, Deputy Mayor Tom Mohns, Councillor Murray Rutz, and Councillor James Carmody. Front row, from left are Councillor Theresa Sabourin, Mayor Bob Sweet, and Councillor Treena Lemay. (Photo by Patricia Leboeuf, Petawawa Post)

MAY 14, 2015

• CELEBRATING 150 YEARS AUGUST 21-23, 2015

• "THEN, NOW & TOMORROW"





# A Message from the Garrison Petawawa Command Team

Colonel Marc Gagné, Garrison Commander/Commander 4th Canadian Division Support Group  
Chief Warrant Officer Bill Richards, Garrison Sergeant-Major

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www.petawawa.ca	
Public Works.....	613-687-5536
(emergency after hours).....	613-732-3525
Petawawa Fire Department Station 2 (non-emergency).....	613-687-5536
Civic Centre.....	613-687-5678
Library.....	613-687-2227
www.petawawapubliclibrary.ca	
Ontario Clean Water Agency (OCWA).....	613-687-2141
ON1CALL (call before you dig) .....	800-400-2255
www.on1call.com	
Ontario Provincial Police (OPP dispatch).....	888-310-1122
Upper Ottawa Valley OPP (admin. only).....	613-735-0188
www.opp.ca	
Garrison Petawawa.....	613-687-5511
www.army-armee.forces.gc.ca/en/cfb-petawawa/index.page	
County of Renfrew.....	613-735-7288
www.countyofrenfrew.on.ca	
Ottawa Valley Waste Recovery Centre.....	613-735-7537
www.ovwrc.com	
Miller Waste Systems Inc.....	613-735-6925
(Collection Contractor)	
Petawawa Centennial Family Health Centre.....	613-687-7641
www.pcfhc.ca	
Renfrew County & District Health Unit	
Health Info Line.....	613-735-8666
Reception.....	613-732-3629
Immunization.....	613-735-8653
Dental.....	613-735-8661
Environmental Health Inspection.....	613-735-8654
Health Promotion & Clinical Services.....	613-735-8651
www.rcdhu.com	
Health Cards .....	888-376-5197
www.health.gov.on.ca	
Service Ontario.....	800-267-8097
www.serviceontario.ca	
Service Canada.....	800-622-6232
www.servicecanada.gc.ca	
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www.cherylgallant.com	
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www.johnyakabuski.com	
MTO - Road Conditions.....	511 or
www.mto.gov.on.ca	800-268-4686
Pembroke Regional Hospital.....	613-732-2811
www.pemreghos.org	
Deep River District Hospital.....	613-584-3333
www.drhdh.org	
Telehealth Ontario.....	866-797-0000



As the Command team for Garrison Petawawa we are pleased to have this opportunity to wish the residents of Petawawa a Happy 150th Anniversary. We are very proud of the relationship the community and the Garrison have established over the years and by the level of openness, mutual awareness, and joint programs

which exist both in the community and on the Garrison.

Garrison Petawawa will mark its 110th Anniversary this year and as such will be involved in the activities taking place during the Town's 150th celebrations. This makes perfect sense as the Garrison and the Town of Petawawa have worked over the years on numerous joint initiatives to the betterment of the community.

Garrison Petawawa is a long way from its humble beginning in 1905 when it would be identified by an isolated cluster of canvas tents. Today Garrison Petawawa is home to more than 465 buildings, and more than 6,000 soldiers and civilians. With their families, the Department of National Defence makes up over 13,000 people in the area. While there's no doubt the soldiers from Garrison Petawawa make up a big part of the Petawawa area, there's also no question that the families take pride in where they work and live. This partnership is important to our soldiers and their families as a majority of

our soldiers live in the town or have chosen to retire here to make Petawawa their permanent home.

The residents of Petawawa and the Upper Ottawa Valley have become accustomed to the lifestyle of soldiers. It is no secret that Garrison Petawawa is one of Canada's leading training Bases and as such is tremendously busy. The main focus of Garrison Petawawa is to generate, employ and sustain effective relevant forces in order to meet Canada's domestic and international defence objectives. This objective has been a reality of the people in this area for a long time. In fact at virtually every juncture in Canadian History during the past 110 years, the soldiers of Petawawa have made their mark on the course of events. During peacetime as well as in time of war, the Garrison's story is abounding with proud achievements, courage, sacrifice and accomplishment.

Today the soldiers of Garrison Petawawa continue to meet this mandate and in fact are currently deployed on a



number of major missions and operations around the world. On behalf of the soldiers at Garrison Petawawa, here and abroad, and our families, Happy Anniversary Petawawa!

Colonel Marc Gagné

Chief Warrant Officer  
Bill Richards

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## MEETING SCHEDULE

Council Meetings are held the first and third Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at the Municipal Office.

Council-in-Committee Meetings are held the second and fourth Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at the Municipal Office.

Agenda cover pages are posted on line at www.petawawa.ca on the Thursday prior to the scheduled meeting. To receive a full agenda package contact the Deputy Clerk at 613-687-5536.

MEETINGS ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

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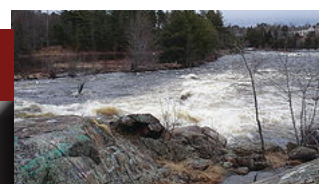
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The name Petawawa comes from an Algonquin word which means "where one hears the noise of the water."



The Algonquin people lived along the Ottawa River (which they called the Kitchissippi) for 8,000 years before the arrival of European explorers.



The Kichesipirini (People of the Great River) were a large Algonquin band that occupied the shores of the Ottawa River from Morrison Island (their main village) to areas north of Petawawa.



Timeline  
**PETAWAWA:**  
Then, Now ...





## Petawawa's Municipal Leaders:

"Then, Now & Tomorrow"

TOWNSHIP OF  
PETAWAWA REEVES

1865-1868 • James McGregor  
1869-1870 • John Rowan  
1871 • William McIntyre  
1872-1873 • William Rowan  
1874 • Neil Carnegie  
1875-1877 • Theophile Bellefeuille  
1878-1880 • Neil Carnegie  
1881-1891 • William Selkirk  
1892 • Patrick McGregor  
1893-1894 • William Selkirk  
1895 • Patrick McGregor  
1896 • William Selkirk  
1897 • Myles Biggs  
1898-1901 • William Selkirk  
1902-1909 • Myles Biggs  
1910 • Joseph Timmins  
1911 • William Selkirk  
1912-1913 • Joseph Timmins  
1914-1922 • Alex Pranke  
1923-1927 • William Saar  
1928-1931 • John Mohns  
1932-1937 • William Saar  
1938-1948 • Robert Hampel  
1949 • William Attlessey  
1950-1954 • Edward Mohns  
1955-1959 • B.G. (Fred) Watt  
1960-1963 • Clarence Brumm  
1964-1976 • B.G. (Fred) Watt  
1977-1980 • Elwyn Behnke  
1981-1982 • B.G. (Fred) Watt  
1983-1985 • Jim Jones  
1986-1997 • Dennis Carmody

VILLAGE OF  
PETAWAWA REEVES

1961-1976 • Norman Behnke  
1977 • Norman Behnke/  
Mike Habec  
1978-1994 • Mike Habec  
1995-1997 • Edwin Chow

TOWN OF  
PETAWAWA MAYORS

1997 • Dennis Carmody  
1998-2000 • Ed Chow  
2001-Present • Bob Sweet

# "Back in the Day"



Dan Scissons, 1992.

By Dan Scissons  
CAO/Clerk

As we gather to celebrate the sesquicentennial of our dynamic community in August, I too will mark a milestone in my career. This summer I will begin my 25th year of service to Petawawa. That's right, a quarter of a century! I was so young and so dark-haired when I walked into the Township Office in August of 1991...

Petawawa Boulevard wasn't Petawawa Boulevard in those days. It actually had two names, Highway 17 West and Highway Street.

This Highway 17 West, really the "Old Highway", was not to be confused with the new Highway 17, or the "By-pass." Imagine how your GPS would react to that one! Years later the advent of civic addressing and amalgamation would come together to solve the confusion. Bonus points if you know that the Boulevard also became Renfrew County Road 51.

There were two Petawawas when I arrived in the early 1990s. The Township was the rural area and the Village was the urbanized core. I familiarized myself with the boundary of the two by generalizing the dividing line as The Beer Store. You were still in the Township on the other side of Highway Street up to Murphy Road but that was far too difficult to explain. Ditto for Petawawa Point. The 1997 amalgamation rectified that one, too.

The Village seemed so far away in my early days in Petawawa. Instead I was drawn eastward to the bright lights of Pembroke, driving through the Townships of Alice and Fraser and Stafford to get there. But

like so many of our residents today, I eventually reset my bearings and headed west for the activities at the Civic Centre. There was no splash pad or pump track or Ribfest in those days, but there were four tennis courts, Civic Centre Days and Sno Frolic. For the record, court four was in the way of the realignment of the now-Volunteer Way and Sno Frolic was rebranded as Cabin Fever, but I digress. It was here that I first experienced the community spirit that so typified Petawawa.

You could get a coffee to go in Petawawa in 1991, just not at the place where you line up for it today. The pizza offerings were as mouth-watering then as they are now, but you couldn't place your

order on-line. Even though the dining room options were limited in those days, you knew that the service would be good and the food a real treat. You might have picked up a birthday card with your prescription at the local pharmacy but you had to go next door for the four litre bag of milk. Fresh produce was available a block up from the Township Office and a hammer and nails could be purchased across the street.

Our state of the art waste management system was but a dream in those days. We hadn't yet truly begun to "walk lightly on the environment." Yes, we did recycle but only in the blue box specifically provided to the resident. There was no sorting

early on; your newspapers and cans all went in the same box. And those newspapers had to be tied together or in a bag, plastic accepted. I called it "gift wrapping" even though gift wrap was considered garbage back then!

And much like garbage, I too have evolved over the past two decades. A lot older, a whole bunch greyer and, hopefully, a little wiser, I have had the great fortune of working for and in this thriving community. So in this 150th celebratory year, as I reminisce about my own time in Petawawa, I encourage residents past and present to consider their own fond memories of the way it was, be it two, 10 or 50 years ago.

## How Local Municipalities Saved the Airport

### History continues because of a tremendous decision in 1995



The Pembroke & Area Airport was established in 1954 as Brown's Airfield. When it was established, it was a grass strip runway, and it remained that way until 1968 when the Brown family sold the airport to 11 municipalities in the Upper Ottawa Valley. These municipalities invested in the facility, paving the original 4,000 feet of runway, and then adding an additional 1,000 feet of paved runway in 1986. The airport became "certified" meaning it complied with a number of Transport Canada requirements, and received funding from Transport Canada in the amount of \$400,000 per year.

In 1995, Transport Canada informed the Airport that they would no longer be subsidizing its operation. They were pulling out 100% of their contribution. The government pulled their funding from every small airport and put it all into the big international airports. The Airport Commission was faced with a tremendous decision: do they close, or do they restructure to keep the airport open? Over 200 airports in Ontario chose to close or become a lower grade of facility. The Pembroke & Area Airport decided to do what they could to stay open. They felt the value of the airport to the region was too great to lose.

Today, they are one of only 60 remaining certified airports in Ontario. Of these 60, the provincial government has chosen

to fund all northern airports, leaving the Pembroke & Area Airport one of 31 that operates with no government funding. This is an incredible achievement. The closest certified airport to our region is Carp or North Bay.

In 2000, with amalgamation, the 11 owner municipalities were minimized to six: Deep River, Laurentian Hills, Petawawa, Pembroke, Laurentian Valley and Whitewater Region. These municipalities continue to own the Airport today, and meet quarterly to make decisions on the facility. There are three staff who provide service 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year, and who manage 400 aircraft movements each month. The facility is an important feature to more than 100 businesses and organizations that employ over 20,000 people in the region.

For more information on the Pembroke & Area Airport, please visit the Airport's website at: [www.flycyta.ca](http://www.flycyta.ca), or their Facebook page at: [www.facebook.com/flycyta](http://www.facebook.com/flycyta)



### TOWN TIMES EDITORS:

Content for the articles in this special 150th Anniversary edition of the Town Times has been solicited and collected by the Town Times Committee consisting of Councillor Murray Rutz, Councillor Gary Serviss and Deputy Clerk Dawn Recoskie. All spelling and numerical errors are theirs and they apologize in advance for any proof-reading oversights.

Once again, the Town Times is produced with the exceptional assistance of the staff at the Petawawa Post and the Town of Petawawa. All homes in the Town should have received this newspaper as distributed by the Petawawa Post.

Additional copies are available at the Municipal Office at 1111 Victoria Street or you may view the Town Times on our website at [www.petawawa.ca](http://www.petawawa.ca).



1613

Samuel de Champlain travelled up the Ottawa River seeking a shorter trade route to China and met Kichesipirini Chief Tessouat on Morrison Island.



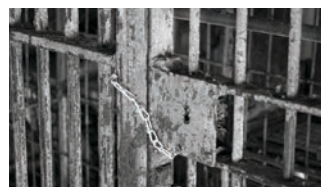
1686

The Chevalier de Troyes, a fur trader heading to Hudson Bay, met Kichesipirini people and camped overnight on Lamure Bay, which is present day Black Bear Beach on Garrison Petawawa.



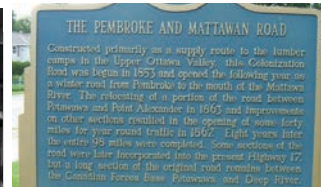
1846

James McGregor becomes first settler in Petawawa Township.



1847

Petawawa's first recorded murder, Hyacinthe Blachette stabs Pierre Aubechon (alcohol was involved).



1853

Construction of Mattawa Road begins.



1857

Petawawa Township first surveyed.





**By A/Inspector Mark Wolfe**  
Commander – Upper Ottawa Valley  
OPP Detachment

...I remember that phrase so well from my first days on the OPP back in 1987. WOW – looking back now, I am amazed at how things have changed in policing and the OPP. Not only have there been many changes provincially, too many to list here, but certainly also significant changes for the OPP locally as well.

To be clear, my position is: change is good and required to keep moving forward!!!! There was a day when the OPP were in Pembroke...before they moved to Petawawa. Now, of course, offices are located in both Petawawa and back in Pembroke, together comprising the Upper Ottawa

Valley OPP Detachment.

The OPP fleet bears the black and white now, but of course they have changed colours many times over the years as well. Peak hats were replaced by Stetsons only to be replaced by peak hats... as times change!!

An exciting change in policing that I am very proud to be part of is Ontario's Mobilization & Engagement Model for Community Policing and its role in reducing police calls for service, victimization and having a positive impact on community well-being. A healthier community is a safer community.

I am very fortunate to be here in Upper Ottawa Valley and to have the opportunity to ensure that the Community Mobilization concept, through networking and relationship building is accepted by the men and women

of your local OPP. Our OPP members and employees are working very hard on developing local strategies to address community safety.

Over the years the police have assumed the role of attempting to solve the problems of all who called on them, only to find out that we possessed neither the expertise nor the time to solve those problems. Our intentions were well placed and our objective real; but unfortunately we struggled to be everything to everyone. With that approach, came the consequence of many police resources being tied up and taken away from the core function of the police.

Community safety and well-being in Ontario is everyone's responsibility. No

one individual or service can do it all. We need community partners; citizens and neighbours; agencies and police to mobilize for community safety and well-being. The Upper Ottawa Valley OPP is encouraging everyone to create and strengthen cross sector, multi-agency partnerships to work toward a safer and healthier community.

Using data, analysis and planning, it is the objective of the Upper Ottawa Valley OPP to work with our partners and stakeholders so that community safety efforts are directed towards whatever crime and/or social disorder affects our community. We are dedicating our efforts to developing proactive and innovative policing strategies to address many community

safety issues such as focused and directed enforcement on roadways waterways and trails.

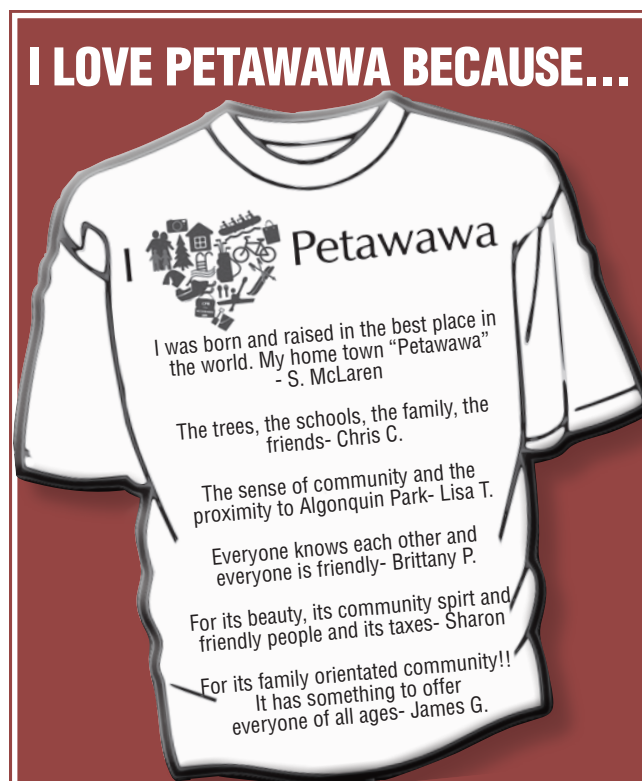
Our frontline members continue to conduct foot patrols on our streets and neighbourhoods and to interact with our youth and leaders of the future.

Investigative Excellence, Technology and Intelligence Led Policing are some examples of the tools for success we use each and every day. We maintain positive and constructive relationships with our Police Services Boards, Community Policing Advisory Committees and all of our Municipalities so that we can all work together for a safe community.

As the Commander of the Upper Ottawa Valley



OPP Detachment, I am confident these collaborative approaches and policing strategies will be both effective and efficient in reducing harm and victimization.



## From the Police Services Board: FACT SHEET ABOUT THE 'E-cop' PROJECT

- This is a project sponsored by the Ministry of Correctional Services and Community Safety.

- It is a partnership between the OPP and the Police Services Board to look for ways of reducing property crime in our community. Property crime is a category of crime that includes crimes like burglary, larceny, theft, motor vehicle theft, arson, shoplifting, identity theft, scams, passing of counterfeit money, pick-pocketing, computer-related crime and vandalism.

- The prototype began several years ago in Los Angeles and is now in several police services in Canada.

- Involves residents signing up online to receive e-mails about alerts of potential or actual property crimes in the Town of Petawawa.

- The e-policing program supports the OPP's aim to enlist the Town's residents to partner with the police to keep us all safer and fits in with the OPP's community engagement and mobilization program.

- The idea is that if residents are more aware of what's going on in their neigh-

bourhoods, they will be on the alert and hopefully will prevent themselves or their neighbours from being victims.

- Speakers available to meet with your group or organization - please contact tlemay@petawawa.ca.

- Dubbed an electronic neighbourhood watch program- the program has 3 main parts:

### PART 1 – ALERTING RESIDENTS

How it works:

- Town of Petawawa residents voluntarily go to the web site [www.petawawa-e-cop.ca](http://www.petawawa-e-cop.ca) and register their email address;

- Using a software program called Constant Contact, a database of registered users will be created on the site and will form the basis for who gets an e-mail alert (called an "e-Blast") or update;

- Each week or so, at least one message regarding any aspect of property crime will be sent out to registrants;

- Unsubscribe option is available at any time.

### PART 2 – PROVIDING A DIRECT REPORTING LINK TO THE OPP



- Any resident who has a concern about their property or personal safety can communicate directly to the OPP Inspector at the Detachment;

- This is a private communication between the resident and the Detachment Commander;

- It is facilitated by a report form and address located on the web site.

**PART 3 – Accessing** also has a list of tips and information on a variety of subjects related to personal and property safety.

**DON'T BE A VICTIM – SIGN UP FOR FREE @ [www.petawawa-e-cop.ca](http://www.petawawa-e-cop.ca).**



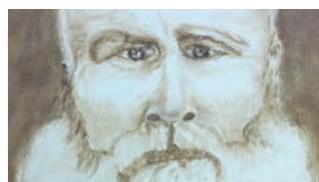
**1858**

Petawawa Township was united with Rolph, Buchanan, Wylie and McKay and Alice Townships.



**1861**

Population of Petawawa is approximately 298.



**1865**

Township of Petawawa is incorporated; James McGregor is the first Reeve.



**1867**

Canada incorporated (Ontario, Quebec, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick)



**1871**

Population of Petawawa is approximately 370.



**1875**

Petawawa's first church is built, it is a log cabin called St. John's Lutheran.



## A vintage black and white photograph of a 1930s fire truck, viewed from the front quarter angle. The truck is equipped with ladders and other firefighting equipment on its side.

A photograph of a red GMC pickup truck with a fire department body. The truck is parked in front of a brick building. The front of the truck features a white grille with 'GMC' in black letters. The license plate is blue with white text 'E10-474'. The truck has a red fire department body with white lettering on the side. The photo is mounted on a white card with a black border.

A red and white fire truck with the number 9716 is parked in front of a fire station. The station has a sign that reads "STATION #2". The truck has a white cab and a red body with white stripes. It has a large emergency light on top of the cab and a large emergency light on top of the body. The truck is parked on a paved surface.

A red and white heavy rescue fire truck is parked in front of a building. The truck features "HEAVY RESCUE" in large red letters on the side of the cab, "911" in red on the door, and a Maltese cross emblem. The body is white with blue and red stripes. The number "3669" is visible on the side of the body. The truck is parked on a paved surface, and a building with a red roof and a tall metal structure are in the background.



HERE WE GROW AGAIN

The local business community is a vital component lending to the outstanding quality of life we enjoy in Petawawa.



A photograph of a small, weathered wooden building with a steep gable roof, identified as the 'Old School'. The building is made of horizontal wooden planks and has a dark, possibly red, door. It is surrounded by trees and a clear blue sky.

A photograph showing a rocky shoreline with several tall, slender evergreen trees. The water is calm and reflects the sky. The shoreline is composed of dark, jagged rocks. The trees are dense and green, with some showing signs of age or damage. The sky is a clear, pale blue. The overall scene is peaceful and natural.

Notre Dame de la Baie  
Catholic Church is built  
at Black Bay.





# TOWN OF PETAWAWA – 2015 BUDGET

By Annette Mantifel  
Treasurer

With the adoption of its 2015 Budget, the Town of Petawawa is committed to maintaining the Town's extensive infrastructure, improving the services and quality of life for its residents and focusing on the future. The Town's budget includes money for roads, sidewalks, streetlights, parks, playgrounds, fire services, police services, water and wastewater systems, a recreation complex and a library.

Based on a 2015 current value residential assessment of \$237,000, the 2015 residential taxes are shared as follows:

The total property tax bill for a property in 2014 with a current value assessment of \$229,000 and garbage, water and sewer charges was \$2,693.14. The total property tax bill for a property in 2015 with an updated current value assessment of \$237,000 and garbage, water and sewer charges will be \$2,779.81 – a total increase of \$86.67 or 3.2% over 2014. Both the education and County tax rates have been in-

cluded.

For the 2015 year, the Town's total general budget is \$14,356,246. Property taxes and payment-in-lieu of taxes account for 66% of the general budget total revenue. Government grants and transfers account for 9%, reserve contributions account for 4% and the balance comes from other revenue, user fees and the 2014 surplus.

The water and wastewater budgets are separately funded by user charges and reserves. For 2015, the water budget is \$3,053,478 and the wastewater budget is \$2,220,111.

## HIGHLIGHTS

### Ontario Provincial Police

- The new OPP billing model implemented by the Provincial Government has increased the Town's estimated contract cost by \$36,383 to \$1,742,994 for 2015.

### Protective Services

- The balance owing on the 2015 Spartan Pumper Fire Truck will be paid this year and it is being funded from development charges.
- Fire Services will see the purchase of bunker gear, a gas detector and replacement

Mine Safety Appliances (MSA) breathing apparatus.

- A consultant will be hired to complete a Master Fire Plan (\$50,000) which will provide the Town with a comprehensive review of Fire Services and establish strategic priorities for the delivery of this service. This will be completed with funding from development charges in the amount of \$30,000.

### Administration

- The Town will be upgrading the exterior entrances to the Municipal Office to provide for accessible access. Funding has been received from the Federal Enabling Accessibility Fund in the amount of \$11,934 for this project.
- The purchase of a generator in the amount of \$115,000 has been budgeted for the Municipal Office which acts as the Emergency Operations Centre during an emergency situation.
- A Facility Condition Assessment for the Town's buildings will be completed as part of the Asset Management Plan.

### Public Works

- Fleet enhancements including the replacement of a trackless tractor (\$200,000) and a new three-tonne truck with blade (\$120,000).
- Reconstruction of Airport Road (\$235,000), Rantz Road (\$470,480), Craig Place (\$105,750) and Civic Centre Road (\$373,110) are being included this year. Monies from both the Federal Gas Tax and the formula-based Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund (OCIF) will be used towards the Civic Centre Road project.
- Sidewalk construction for both Civic Centre Road and East Street (\$202,827) will be completed this year.
- Storm sewer construction for Civic Centre Road (\$202,273) will also be com-

pleted this year.

### Library

- The Petawawa Public Library will receive a \$558,321 annual operating grant.

### Waste Management

- The 2015 total waste management budget amounts to \$1,528,923 which includes the cost of waste & recycling pick-up and disposal.

### Planning/Economic Development

- A consolidated review of the Town's Zoning By-Law will be undertaken with the assistance of the County of Renfrew. The Town's cost for this project will be \$10,000 with a portion of funding (\$4,500) coming from development charges.

- Phase II of the Murphy Road beautification project will be completed.

- The Town's website will be re-designed and updated to achieve Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA) compliance.

### Parks and Recreation

- Parks and Recreation projects include the Centennial Park Legacy project and the Town's 150th Anniversary Celebration. A portion of funding for the 150th Anniversary Celebration will come from reserves and a grant from Heritage Canada.
- \$35,000 has been included for playground equipment replacement.

- Maintenance work to be completed at the Civic Centre totalling \$55,000 includes kitchen and bar renovations plus replacement of the hall ceiling. This will be funded by money from the Petawawa Civic Centre Fundraising Committee. In addition, hall walls will be repaired and painted along with washroom upgrades for a total of \$20,000.

### Water and Wastewater

- The construction of a new backup backwash pump system for the water plant in the amount of \$727,270 has been

**TOWN TAX NOTICE**  
**MUNICIPALITY OF PETAWAWA**  
**COUNTY OF RENFREW**  
Taxes Payable to Ontario Government Savings Bank at  
Pembroke For the Year 1952.

No. 161  
M. Hillard Mohans  
Con. 8 Lot 9120 Township of Petawawa  
School Section No. 1

Taxes are due 14 Days after the Date of this Demand, and are Payable at the Province of Ontario Savings Office, Pembroke, Ontario.

ASSESSMENT OF REAL PROPERTY 2400  
ASSESSMENT FOR BUSINESS 55.9 Mills  
TOTAL ASSESSMENT  
TOTAL RATE S.S. No. 1  
TOTAL  
DOG TAX DOGS AT \$2.00 134.16

**DISCOUNTS AND PENALTIES**  
Pursuant to By-law No. 176, there shall be allowed a discount of 5 per cent. on all taxes paid into the Treasurer on or before the 15th day of December, 1952.  
Statutory interest of 1/2 of 1 per cent. per month will be added after December 31st.

**TABLE OF RATES**  
Levy for County Rates 8.3 Mills  
Levy for Township Rates 9.2 Mills  
Levy for General School Rate 6.3 Mills  
TOTAL GENERAL RATES 23.8 Mills  
Trustee Levy P.S. Section No. 1 Mills  
Trustee Levy S.S. Section No. 1 34.9 Mills  
Township Special Rate 3.5 Mills  
Debenture P.S. Section No. 4 6.3 Mills  
MILL RATE CHARGED 55.9

included.

- Modifications will be made to the sewage primary clarifier tank totalling \$367,500.
- \$200,000 has been included for the purchase and installation of a generator at the Renfrew Street pumping station.

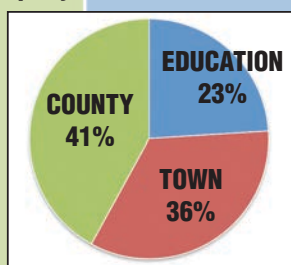
With the adoption of its 2015 budget, the Town of Petawawa remains in good financial position. The Town's assessment base remains strong with the continuing increase in commercial development along with the introduction of several new subdivisions expected to come on-stream

in 2015. An updated Development Charges By-law will ensure that revenue is available to fund future growth-related infrastructure demands. The Town also continues to make contributions to its reserves and reserve funds for future infrastructure purchases and renewal. With one of the lowest tax rates within the County of Renfrew while maintaining a "pay-as-you-go" philosophy, the Town continues to be financially sound.

## Tax Notes

Where do your tax dollars go?  
Town of Petawawa 2015 Residential  
Property Tax Bill

### PERCENTAGE OF TAX DOLLARS



- Residential taxes for the year are paid in three instalments at the end of March, July and October.
- If you would prefer to pay on a monthly basis, then a recurring payment can be set up through online or telephone banking. Please contact the Tax Department at 613-687-5536 for assistance in determining a suitable payment amount.



1900

First bridge built over northwest section of Petawawa River.



1905

Camp Petawawa is founded, Canadian Military acquires land from settlers in Petawawa and Buchanan Townships. First regiments to train in Petawawa were Royal Canadian Horse Artillery, Royal Garrison Artillery, Royal Canadian Engineers, and Royal Canadian Regiment.



1906

William Selkirk opens the first general store on Doran Road.



1909

An aircraft named The Silver Dart made Canada's first recorded flight on July 31st at Camp Petawawa. Pilot J.A.D. McCurdy has a gate named after him on present day Garrison Petawawa.



1910

Eugene Giesebrecht settles in Petawawa and sets up a store and restaurant on Petawawa Boulevard across from the present day Post Office.



1914

A prison camp is established at Camp Petawawa for Canadians of German and Ukrainian descent.





# Public Works – Then, Now and Future



**By David Unrau**

Director of Public Works

Methods and materials used in Public Works have changed considerably over the years. One challenge that has faced Public Works from the early days is how to safely cross water courses and still convey water across/under roadways. In these photos is an old wooden culvert that was removed last year while reconstructing Shamess Road. There are a few similar culverts located through the Town that have withstood the test of time.

In the early days, a lot of roads and culverts in particular were installed by drainage contractors or farmers. The use of wooden culverts dates back as far as the late 1700's and was a simple un-

reinforced log pipe. The use of wood continued till the 1920's where production of storm culverts was routinely manufactured out of iron from the 1920's to the 1930's. However with the onset of World War II, it was important to find ways to save metal for higher and better purposes ... such as for the "war effort".

When the need developed to come up with a substitute for metal storm culvert pipe during the early years of World War II, manufacturers came up with yet another design for wood pipe.

The new wood pipe was made of small machine cut sections of wood. The individual pieces were connected with tongue and groove joints and banded with steel.

Currently, the majority of culverts installed are Corrugated Steel Pipe or concrete. Some pipes are galvanized (25 year life expectancy), Aluminized Type 2 (75 years) or Polymer-Laminated (100+ years).

In the future, more



pipings will be installed manufactured from fibre reinforced plastic or high-density polyethylene.

**PETAWAWA**  
**CIVIC CENTRE DAYS**  
**2015**

**JUNE 18th to 21st**

Everything comes together from the Midway to Lobsterfest to the new event called Tough Trucker! Enjoy the mouth-watering RIBFEST or take in the GLOW DANCE featuring DJ BZRK, or the Saturday Rock Show featuring a tribute to The Tragically Hip, the Ghost Town Cryers and more. For more information visit: [www.civiccentredays.ca](http://www.civiccentredays.ca).



## Petawawa Centennial Family Health Centre: Then, Now & Tomorrow

**By Judy Hill**

Executive Director –  
Petawawa Centennial Family Health Centre

**THEN:** While a physician shortage had existed for many years, a consultant's needs assessment in 2002 identified this shortage of physicians as a quality of life issue. This shortage was aggravated in 2004 with the departure of the second of three physicians serving the local population. The leadership of the Town of Petawawa and CFB Petawawa, recognizing the impact of the lack of immediate primary care to their residents, formed a community Health Committee, resulting in the creation of an incorporated, not-for-profit body under the name of the Petawawa Centennial Family Health Centre (PCFHC).

The Ministry of Health announced the formation of Family Health Teams in the province of Ontario throughout 2004. During this time frame Town Councillor Treena Lemay and a team of extremely dedicated individuals put together a business plan and applica-

tion for designation of the PCFHC as a Family Health Team. Acceptance was granted in April 2005 by the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care.

**NOW:** The Petawawa Centennial Family Health Centre has a clinical staff of eight physicians and four Nurse Practitioners, two Nurses, a Social Worker, a Pharmacist, and a Dietitian (not all of whom practice full time). Our total staff is 33 people. We have approximately 7,000 patients. During the time period from April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015 there were 23,896 patient visits; an increase from 18,950 visits the previous year. We are indeed growing!

We have developed partnerships with local hospitals, specialists via the Ontario Telemedicine Network, the Renfrew County Diabetes Education Providers Network, The Ottawa Heart Institute, the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health, the Robbie Dean Centre, Upper Ottawa Valley Midwives, Maranhill, the on-site CML lab, the Town of Petawawa, and of course the Ministry

of Health and Long Term Care and the Local Health Integration Network. All these help with service provision to our clients.

### WHAT OUR FUTURE HOLDS...

What we foresee for the future is an emphasis on promoting prevention, mental health and education. This focus in our future planning also includes quality improvement of services offered, easier access to care providers, as well as keeping up-to-date with technology (a constant challenge). Continuing development with strategic partnerships to better meet the needs of our populace remains at the core of our mandate.

We will continue to further develop our identity as a Health Care Provider by meeting the needs of the populace as per our Mission – The Petawawa Centennial Family Health Centre provides a broad range of primary health care and health promotion services to protect, preserve and promote the health and well-being of all residents of the Town of Petawawa and area.

## Did you know?

Tony Grace was born and raised in Petawawa and graduated from General Panet High School in 1997. Tony is the Senior News Anchor for CTV News Barrie. He co-hosts CTV News at 6 every weeknight. Tony joined CTV News in 2001. He started as an Ottawa Valley reporter/videographer, then worked his way up to Senior Reporter for /A\ Ottawa, then became the station's 11:00 pm anchor. He also served as a national correspondent for the CTV Two stations. Before CTV, Tony anchored and reported at various Ontario radio stations.



Sherilyn Dominey was born and raised in Petawawa and graduated from General Panet High School in 1996. She graduated from Sheridan College and began a career as an animator. Her credits include animation on television shows such as Babar, Quads, My Dad the Rock Star, Side Kick, The Backyardigans and many other shows and films.

Walter Natynczyk was in several command positions at CFB Petawawa from 1986-1991, served as Commander of RCD from 1996-98 and was named Canada's Chief of Defence Staff on June 6th, 2008. He was promoted to General in July of 2008 and served at that post until 2012.



**1917**

Chinese labourers are interned at the prison camp and help build many structures on Camp Petawawa.



**1920s**

S.S. Oiseau steam ship sinks after carrying many passengers over the years from Pembroke to Rapides des Joachims and stopping at Maclean's Hotel (Dew Drop Inn) at the Petawawa Point.



**1921**

SS #1 School built on Victoria Street.



**1934**

Petawawa River bridge built. Eugene Giesebrecht wins one of the first Pepsi-Cola franchises in Canada.



**1939**

Canadians of German, Italian and Japanese descent are interned at a prison camp at Camp Petawawa. In 1942, the civilians were transferred to other camps and their sleeping quarters were filled with German sailors, submariners, officers and soldiers.



**1939**

Electricity comes to Petawawa.



# THEN & NOW



## From trade route to army base, the Petawawa saga

By Elizabeth Whitty

(Originally published in *The Petawawa Messenger* – June 26, 1997)

Where did we come from? How did we get here? These are questions that most people ask when referring to the area that they live in.

Sometimes families stayed in one area from the time that their ancestors arrived in Canada, while others have called many places home. Petawawa is no different from any other place in Renfrew County or Canada. Many families can count Petawawa as the village that their ancestors developed. Many places in Petawawa bear the names of those predecessors.

From the time of Champlain, the Ottawa River has been used for transportation. It was once thought to be a shorter route to the Pacific Ocean. Champlain visited the area in 1613 trying to find this route that had been alluded to by past explorers.

The next recorded European visit to the area was Chevalier de Troyes who actually camped on the bank of the Ottawa in the area around Black Bear

Beach. He was traveling up to Hudson's Bay to capture English trading posts in 1686.

Over the next 150 years the development of the Petawawa area was slow. The area was used by French explorers following trails connecting the Mattawa River and the Ottawa River through the Petawawa River for fur trading. The trail, in part, still exists on part of CFB Petawawa.

With the development of Fort William across the river from Petawawa in Quebec as a trading post for the Hudson's Bay Company in 1823, travel up the Ottawa River to the Petawawa area would have been steady. By this time trade with aboriginal people had virtually stopped and logging was taking over.

In 1826, the Ottawa River was again being surveyed as a shorter way of travel not to the Pacific Ocean this time, but to the Great Lakes. The British government had hoped to find an alternate route to the Great Lakes if the Americans were to succeed in closing the Upper St. Lawrence.

The expedition was led by Henry Briscoe of the Royal Engineers, who travelled from Penetanguishene in Georgian Bay down the Petawawa, who wrote in his report that the Petawawa River was nearly one entire rapid and that the banks were very high and rocky. But since the Petawawa River was such a turbulent river of rapids, it would have required 79 locks averaging ten feet to connect Lake Huron and the Ottawa River.

It was not until 1847 when J. MacDonnell was surveying the Petawawa River area that there was reference to settlers in this area. He writes that there were considerable numbers of squatters in the area. Most though had settled farther back from the river where the land was better for farming. MacDonnell did not name the settlers that he happened upon in his travels of the Petawawa River.

It has been noted however, in the 1861 census, that a James McGregor lived by the Ottawa River. Other reports say that he settled in this area as early as 1847, and thus is one of the first recognized settlers in Petawawa Township. Many places still bear his name such as McGregor's Hill and McGregor's Bay.

In MacDonnell's report, as well as other sources, it states that the land around the Petawawa River was poor for agriculture. The area's red pine timber was a good resource and it in turn helped create a need to settle the Petawawa River area.

The first survey of Petawawa Township was in 1857, but even before that, land was advertised for sale. Before the development of townships in 1851, the counties were part of districts and Petawawa was in the Midland District, while the southern half of Renfrew County was in the Bathurst District. The surveyor's remarks are much like those of MacDonnell's in 1847; the land quality was poor



but the timber was good.

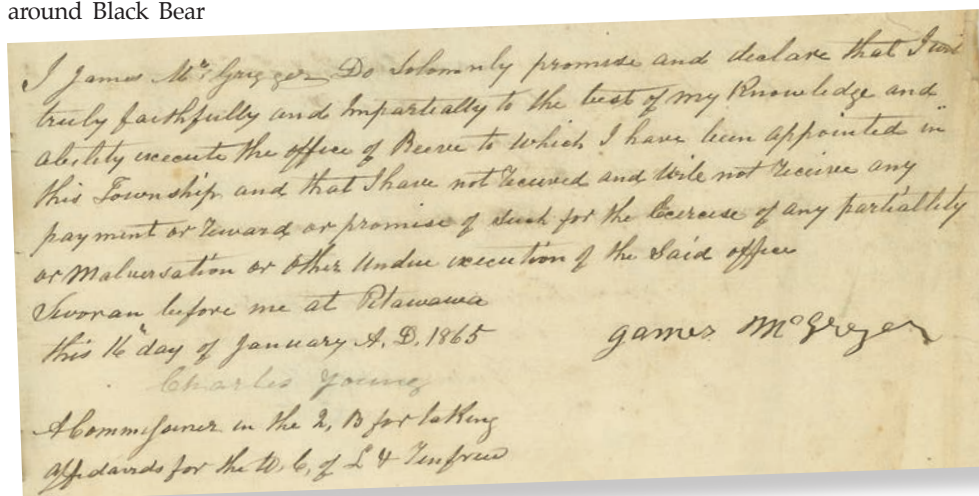
In 1858, Petawawa Township was united with Rolph, Buchanan, Wylie and McKay Townships as well as Alice Township. In 1859, the rest of the townships separated from Alice and it was not until 1864 that Petawawa divided from the other townships and was called a municipality. The first council was elected in 1865.

Even though many sources say that Petawawa Township was the last of the townships to be settled, the 1861 census records 298 people living there.

Due to the difficulty of travel in Petawawa, settling was not as great as in other areas of the County. It was not until the Pembroke and Mattawa Road was constructed that settlement really began in 1853. Built as an alternate route for transporting timber, the Pembroke and Mattawa Road also helped to open up other areas of the County that to this point were only accessible by the Ottawa River and its tributaries.

One of the first hotels that developed in the Petawawa area was built due to the new road system. It was Devine's Hotel, situated at the mouth of the Petawawa River at the Point. It was a popular place during the spring logging season. William Selkirk built the first store in Petawawa Village in 1906.

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James McGregor's Oath of Office, 1865.



**1940s**

Petawawa becomes major camp for troop training. In 1941, two freight trains collide near Murphy Road injuring two men and in 1943, Gunther Krebs, a German soldier, escapes from the Centre Lake Prisoner of War camp and travels 600 kilometres before being captured.



**1945**

Last river drive of logs on the Petawawa. It employed 150 men.



**1946**

Camp Petawawa prison camp closes.



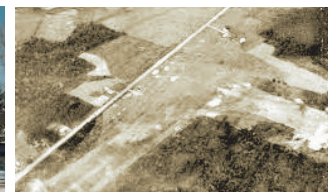
**1951**

Camp Petawawa becomes a permanent base.



**1952**

Roman Catholic church is built out of stone on Mohns Avenue and dedicated as Our Lady of Sorrows.



**1954**

Brown's Airfield established (present day Pembroke & Area Airport).





(Left to right) Centennial Park, 1972, Centennial Park 2015; Willard Mohns' Gas Station circa 1950, Esso Gas Station 2015; Village of Petawawa Municipal Building and Fire Hall, 1972, Town of Petawawa Municipal Office and Fire Hall, 2015.

## From trade route to army base, the Petawawa saga ... continued from previous page

It was to remain a corner stone of the community until it burned down in 1982.

With the new road came an increase in population. In 1871 Petawawa's population was 370. In 1891 it had almost tripled in population to 991. Most of the growth was due to German immigrants who decided to settle in the Petawawa area.

With the Homestead Act of 1880 which granted free land to immigrants who in turn had to clear it in less than a certain number of years. At least 12 German families were in the area by 1890. The German settlers were established enough by then to build a church and a school. In 1905, when the military decided to acquire land, it was these settlers who were displaced.

Many of these settlers influenced the names of places in the Township – names like Behnke, Gust, Mohns and Brindle.

Thereafter, development of Petawawa was slow until the army acquired half of the township for a base. It supplied other employment opportunities to Petawawa citizens besides logging.

The main saga of Petawawa does not occupy a long time

when it is compared to other communities in Ontario. The history that Petawawa does possess, however, is rich, varied and diverse.

There are many interesting stories of Petawawa out there being told by parents, grandparents and even great grandparents that should be retained. Remember that history is to be shared so if there are any more stories about Petawawa write them down so others might enjoy them.

## Festival Hall is Petawawa's Theatre

Thank you to the people from the town of Petawawa who come and support our shows. This year we started back the season with our second documentary film festival. Our first night we were joined by the one and only General Lewis Mackenzie previewing his documentary film "THE GENERAL RACING". A pleasure to have one of Canada's finest in the building.

The theatre has been thriving with hit shows such as ABBA Tribute, Echoes of Erin, DOCFEST, Pembroke Symphony Orchestra, The Barra MacNeils, Peter Pan Jr. Musical, Rocky Horror Picture Show Live, and the Upper Ottawa Valley Chamber of Commerce Awards Gala. The last number of spring shows, Hotel California, Rising Stars of Country, John McDermott, The Spoons, and Legend Marty Stuart, sold well and brought audiences from all over the Valley. The shows and our commitment to you on bringing arts and culture never stop. On June 1st, come check out three of Canada's best stand-ups with credits such as the Tonight Show, Just for Laughs, and Carlawood. If you like dance, Starz in Motion Dance Studio, Atyeo Dance Studio, and Michelle's School of Performing Arts hit the stage starting May 22 until June 20th. Come and see some upcoming young talent.

Stay tuned for more concert and event announcements. Check out our website [www.festhall.ca](http://www.festhall.ca) or like us on Facebook FESTIVAL HALL CENTRE FOR THE ARTS.

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**Rick Wharton, Director**  
Festival Hall Centre for the Arts

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By Law No. 9

Whereas it is necessary and expedient to pass a By Law for the appointment of Municipal officers for the current year

Be it therefore enacted by the Municipal Council of Petawawa and it is hereby enacted by authority of the same that in the following Schedule named persons be the Office Bearers for the year 1892.

Names	Office	Names	Office
Jack Dempster	Clerk \$60.00	John McLean	16 <sup>th</sup> Path Master
Aug. Siffman	Treasurer 20.00	Harriet Charratt	16 <sup>th</sup> "
Wm. Lymbke	Collector 35.00	Davis Lusselt	17 <sup>th</sup> "
Wm. Parker	Assessor 18.00	George Braman	18 <sup>th</sup> "
Wm. Parker	Auditor	Ed. J. Braman	19 <sup>th</sup> "
Aug. Wagner	Auditor	Charles Braman	20 <sup>th</sup> "
Wm. Baisenthal	Road Surveyor	Thomas Braman	21 <sup>st</sup> "
Chas. Brown	Road Surveyor	John Trishman	22 <sup>nd</sup> "
Wm. Baisenthal	Health Officer	William Kohls	23 <sup>rd</sup> "
Olto Grifff	Health Officer	James Brander	24 <sup>th</sup> "
Wm. Jirke	Health Officer	Wm. Brunters	26 <sup>th</sup> "
August Thimberich	14 <sup>th</sup> Path Master	John Pagutt	Painted Keepers
Charles Peter	15 <sup>th</sup> "	Aug. Krueger	"
William Knott	16 <sup>th</sup> "	Odwars Hampel	"
Hiram Bismuth	17 <sup>th</sup> "	Ed. Bruma	"
John Pagutt	18 <sup>th</sup> "	Fre. Sastre	"
August Fisher	19 <sup>th</sup> "	Fre. Sastre	"
William Oeller	20 <sup>th</sup> "	Fre. Sastre	"
William Parker	21 <sup>st</sup> "	Fre. Sastre	"
Marlin Krueger	22 <sup>nd</sup> "	Fre. Sastre	"
August Bismuth	23 <sup>rd</sup> "	Fre. Sastre	"
William Siffman	24 <sup>th</sup> "	Fre. Sastre	"
August Schwan	25 <sup>th</sup> "	Fre. Sastre	"
Miles Biggs	26 <sup>th</sup> "	Fre. Sastre	"
William Bismuth	27 <sup>th</sup> "	Fre. Sastre	"

By-law No. 9 - 1892.



1957

McInnery House, one of Petawawa's oldest landmarks on present day Portage Road, burns down.



1960

Mount Molson Ski Hill opens (founded by Fred Molson, Carl Hoelke, Don Gutzman and Des Murphy).



1961

Village of Petawawa incorporated, population 1,600.



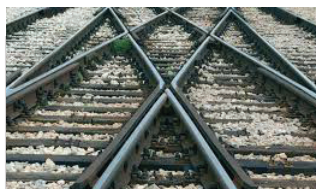
1961

Point Road Plaza constructed.



1963

Township Fire Department formed.



1964

Petawawa's second train derailment.





# CIVIC CENTRE CELEBRATES 40 YEARS!

By Kelly Williams

Manager of Parks and Recreation

The Petawawa Civic Centre celebrated its 40th anniversary in 2014.

Opened in 1974, the Civic Centre has remained the central location in the Town of Petawawa for sports, recreation and leisure activities for residents of all ages.

Its diverse history is filled with an abundance of community events and sporting activities.

The Civic Centre's rich history has been defined and supported by large scale community events such as Civic Centre Days, which started in 1974 and continues to this day.

Cabin Fever, Petawawa's premiere winter festival, began in 1984 as Sno-Frolie and continues to run each winter.

Filled with a rich history of volunteerism, the Petawawa Civic Centre has gone through many changes since the first concrete blocks were laid.

Of course, many of these improvements were the result

of much hard work by the community in raising the necessary funds to improve and grow the Civic Centre site.

Foremost has been the Petawawa Civic Centre Fundraising Committee who has made significant contributions to the facility prior to and beyond original construction.

The Fundraising Committee continues to this day to raise funds for the continued development of the Civic Centre and its grounds.

Many other local service clubs including the Greater Petawawa Civitan Club, Rotary Club of Petawawa and Pembroke/Petawawa Lions Club have also contributed to the growth of the facility over the years.

Additionally, Garrison Petawawa, in support of its

local community, has aided in the development of the Civic Centre and Civic Centre Park on many occasions over past decades.

A true community facility, the Petawawa Civic Centre has provided for its community for over 40 years.

To mark the 40th birthday of the facility, a Tribute Wall was erected in the lobby to display this rich history and thank the hundreds of volunteers who have contributed to the centres success over the years.

The display is filled with hundreds of photos showcasing many community accomplishments.

If you haven't had a chance to view the Tribute Wall, come by and have a look – we would love to share it with you.



# 2015

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<b>JUNE 12TH - 15TH</b> Civic Centre Days & Petawawa Endless Summer Ribfest	<b>JUNE 12TH - 15TH</b> Giant Book Sale at the Petawawa Public Library	<b>JULY 1ST</b> Canada Day 
<b>AUGUST 7TH - 9TH</b> Upper Ottawa River Race & Paddlefest 	<b>AUGUST 9TH</b> Stand Up for CEO 	<b>AUGUST 21ST - 23RD</b> 150th Anniversary Celebrations 
<b>SEPTEMBER 11TH - 13TH</b> Fall SHOWCASE 	<b>OCTOBER 24TH - 25TH</b> Haunted Stacks Frightmare 	<b>DECEMBER 6TH</b> Christmas Craft Fair 
<b>DECEMBER 13TH</b> Christmas Cheer at the Petawawa Public Library 	<b>DECEMBER 31ST</b> New Years Eve Celebration 	<b>150</b> THEN, NOW & TOMORROW PETAWAWA 1865 - 2015 

## Growing Petawawa's Community Hub

By Kelly Williams

Manager of Parks and Recreation

2015 is shaping up to be another big year for the Town of Petawawa.

Fuelled by municipal growth and replacement/relocation of aging educational infrastructure, the Town of Petawawa and its school board partners have been able to grow our very own community hub. The creation of Leeder Lane, the opening of the new St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Elementary School, Valour School (JK-12) and now, the construction of the Petawawa Track and Field, has allowed for the development of a centralized recreational, cultural and educational "Hub" within our beautiful community.

All of the state-of-the-art facilities mentioned above represent Petawawa's rapidly changing present and very promising future.

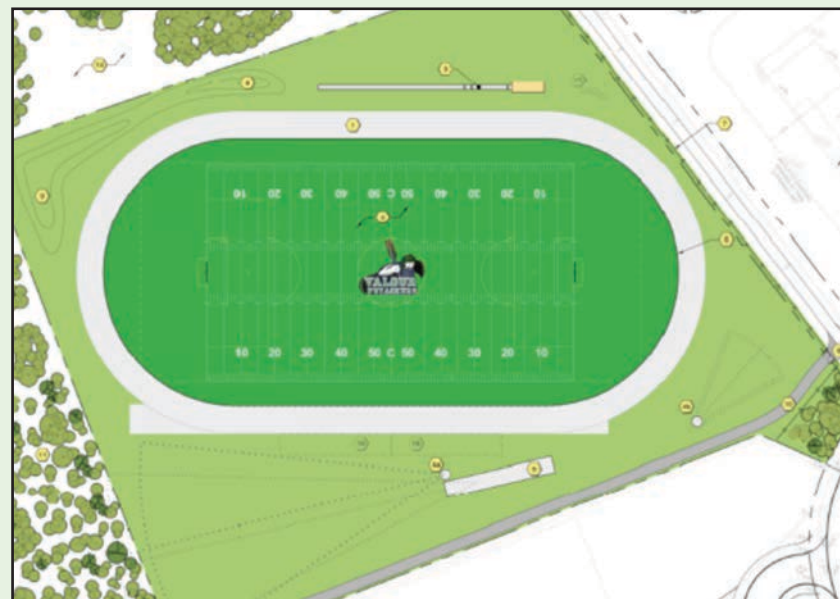
The construction of Petawawa's new track and field facility is the latest addition to the "Hub". The new facility will be open for use in the fall of 2015.

Construction is being completed in partnership with the Renfrew County District School Board with the new track and field facility being the home to the Valour Voyagers curricular and extra-curricular athletic

programs during and after school hours and to Petawawa's many community athletic programs on evenings and weekends.

The new athletic facility will be located on Leeder Lane between Valour School

and the Petawawa Civic Centre. For more information regarding the Town's new track and field facility, please call the Parks and Recreation Office at 613-687-5678 or e-mail at recreation@petawawa.ca.



1965

Canadian Flag approved.



1966

Door-to-door mail delivery introduced.



1966

Camp Petawawa renamed Canadian Forces Base Petawawa.



1968

Seven paratroopers drown in the Ottawa River in CFB Petawawa's worst training accident.



1970

First steamshow.



1972

Petawawa River Bridge collapses; stranded motorists were ferried across the bridge-less Petawawa River by boat until the Bailey bridge was constructed.





# Town Recognizes staff service, student success



(Above right) Mayor Bob Sweet and Kelly Williams, Manager of Parks & Recreation, congratulate Karen Mohns for 35 years of service with the Parks & Recreation Department. Annually, the Town of Petawawa recognizes its employees for their years of service to our residents. 35 years - Karen Mohns; 20 years - Jean Belec and David MacKenzie; 15 years - Maggie Jacques, Jamie Knott, and Dave Newton; 10 years - Jason McRae; 5 years - George Burchart, Janet Harkness, and Brodie McDonald. Retirements - Norm Quenneville after 31 years of service with the Petawawa Fire Department and Mitch Stillman after 26 years of service with the Administration Department. (Top left) The Town of Petawawa presented its 2014 Outstanding Student Citizenship Awards on May 20, 2014. Program Coordinator Beverley Bimm (left) joined Mayor Bob Sweet in congratulating recipients (left to right) Erika Lapierre, Mitchel Schroeder, Rikki Lyn Voskamp, Madeline Denney, Alexander Hoffman, and Anna Halvorsen. (Inset left) Kristoff Malejczuk and Gabriel Garand received their awards on May 22, 2014. The students were participating in EOSSAA when the awards were initially presented. They were joined by Colette Stitt, School Board Trustee for Conseil des ecoles publique de l'Est de l'Ontario. (Below left) At the December 15, 2014 Council meeting, Mayor Bob Sweet presented the Valour Senior Boys Cross Country Team with certificates of recognition for their OFSAA gold medal win. From left to right are team members Sam Serviss, Brandon Royce, Tommy Luesink, Brennan Frampton, Nathan Frampton, Adam Paquette, Colin Powell, Nick Digiaccinto, Max Serviss, and coaches Rick Schroeder and Gary Serviss. (Photo by Patricia Leboeuf, Petawawa Post)

## Did you know?

Ben Rutz was born and raised in Petawawa. His passion for music and playing the fiddle has given him recognition across this country. Ben continues to perform with many music groups and still works with the multi award winning male vocalist Johnny Reid.



Joshua Bartholomew was born in 1984 in Pembroke and lived in Petawawa from 1984 to 1989. He attended JK at General Lake Public School. He is a music composer who was the co-writer and producer of the song "Everything is Awesome" from the Lego Movie. The song was nominated for a Grammy and an Oscar in 2014.



Joshua Hopkins lived in Petawawa from 1980 to 1996. He attended Pineview Public School and graduated from General Panet High School in 1996. He studied music at McGill University and is now a world renowned, highly acclaimed baritone performing in a variety of operas. He has performed at Metropolitan Opera and Carnegie Hall in New York City and opera houses in Ottawa, Houston, Chicago, Dallas, Lisbon, Frankfurt, Spain and San Francisco in productions such as The Magic Flute, La Boheme, and The Barber of Seville. He is presently performing the lead role of Figaro in the Canadian Opera Company's production of The Barber of Seville in Toronto.



1973

First Civic Centre Days started at the Village Fire Hall with a theme of "Get Involved" to raise money to construct the Petawawa Civic Centre.



1974

Petawawa Civic Centre opens.



1980

Oh Canada proclaimed as Canada's national anthem.



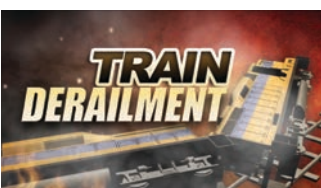
1982

Historic Selkirk General store on Doran Road burns down. Old CPR train station torn down.



1984

First Sno Frolic held (now known as Cabin Fever).



1985

Petawawa's third, and worst, train derailment sees 26 cars jumping the tracks at Pinehurst Park. Approximately 800 residents were evacuated within 3.5 kilometres of the park due to a fire and the threat of toxic fumes and explosions.





# The Petawawa Heritage Village

## "Once Seen Never Forgotten" - Located in your own Backyard.

By Ann McIntyre

Thanks to our partnership with Access Canada and DO ALL Construction, during the spring of 2014 we completed an accessible walkway to the washroom facility, new signage for accessible parking and managed to gravel part of our parking lot. New fencing was also erected along the back of the property and some additional landscaping was added at the front. August saw completion of the addition of the "Logging Tool Shed", which is used

to showcase the donation of the Clouthier Logging Tool collection. As well, the Village acquired two new dedicated volunteers - Bob Hackett who runs the logging display and Mark Tremblay who has taken on the job of Trapper in our Trappers cabin. We also welcomed back Gord and Peggy Brown from their yearlong Missionary trip for their Church. Also welcomed was our new website manager Ursula Machett.

Our Monday morning work crew continues to

amaze me with what they are able to accomplish, and this past year was no exception. The volunteer leader, Jim Morden and his assistant Tim Crowder, did a superb job and completed the construction of the Logging Tool Shed by August in time for the Festival. In 2014 we also took on the restoration of our SS#3 School House. Gord Brown was the lead on this project along with Jim and Tim and our work crew. It proved to be a huge project, taking three months to complete.

Our Youth Outreach Program provided us with some wonderful volunteers. A number of young people participated in our tours,

first person and interpretive programming, as well as other miscellaneous projects. Over the summer they went to school, learned how to do laundry, worked in the Black Smith Shop, made butter, baked bread, carded wool and much more. These 10 youths provide our community with many hours and take great pride in their accomplishments; they are a huge asset for the Village and we are very proud of them. I also want to thank our university student Dana Zaumseil who took on the lead for our youth program last season and did an outstanding job.

With the new Incorporation we have created an ex-

ecutive team of Ann McIntyre President, Vic Jackson Vice President/Golf Chairperson, Daniela dos Santos Finance, Donna Gagnon Recording Secretary/Assistant Golf Chairperson, Bernice Williams Membership, and Paul Ballantyne Policies and Procedures. We also have a board of 27 very hard working team members and a record number of 12

youth volunteers.

As we go forward into 2015, the 150th Anniversary of the Town and the addition of three new events to our schedule, we are anticipating a fantastic season.

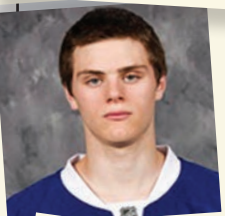
To discover more about the Petawawa Heritage Village follow us on Facebook, and our website [www.petawawaheritagevillage.com](http://www.petawawaheritagevillage.com).



## Did you know?



Roy "Gus" Giesebrecht was born September 14th, 1917 and played in the NHL from 1938 to 1942 until he joined the Canadian Armed Forces for the World War II campaign. He finished 3rd in the Calder Trophy voting in his rookie year of 1938-39. He finished his career with 135 games played, 27 goals, 51 assists and 78 points. He played his entire career with the Detroit Red Wings and was part of the Red Wing team that won the first 3 games of the 1942 Stanley Cup finals versus the Toronto Maple Leafs only to witness the Leafs' historic comeback of four straight wins to capture the Cup.



Matthew Peca was born on April 27th, 1993 and lived in Petawawa his entire childhood. He played for the Pembroke Lumber Kings and was drafted #201 by the Tampa Bay Lightning in the 2011 NHL draft. He played four years for Quinnipiac University and recently made his debut in the AHL with the Syracuse Crunch, notching an assist in two games. Matthew recently signed an NHL two year entry level contract with the Tampa Bay Lightning to start next season (2015/2016).



Chris Jefferies was a student at General Panet High School from 1995 to 1996, he was a Nordic skier for Canada at the 2006 Winter Olympics in Torino, Italy. He placed 58th in the 50 km race, 61st in the 30 km race and helped Team Canada to an 11th place finish in the 4 x 10 relay.

## Petawawa Accessibility Advisory Committee

"Life is a journey, not a destination."  
--Ralph Waldo Emerson

By Sheila Clarke  
PAAC Member

The Town of Petawawa and its citizens are on a journey that began in 2005, with the passing into law of the "Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA)". We have travelled a long distance down that road, but we still have many miles ahead of us before we reach our destination goal of accessibility for all by 2025. The journey to date has had its fair share of obstacles and barriers to overcome, yet we march on. This year 2015, we celebrate 10 years of surveys, planning, growth and implementation.

Growth and change are evident everywhere in town and we are well on the way to achieving a community where all our residents feel accepted, and comfortable, able to live dignified, independent, barrier free lives surrounded by family and friends.

I could quote from the legislation, but I would rather let you know some of the positive, practical results of the Petawawa Accessibility Advisory Committee's (PAAC) work on your behalf. All municipal buildings have been audited using a

"Barrier Free Audit Checklist". Identified deficits are being upgraded or implemented on a regular basis, by the Town.

The following is a list of some of the improvements you will notice around Petawawa both now and in the near future:

- Curb Ramps accessible from well-marked designated parking areas;
- Doorways and entrances widened to accommodate wheelchairs, scooters and walkers;
- Power doors have become the norm rather than the exception;
- Door knobs being replaced with lever handles-which are much easier for all hands to grasp and open;
- Restroom facilities are being upgraded;
- Outside walkways and park paths are being improved upon to include asphalt or textured concrete to allow for wheelchairs, walkers, scooters or motorized chairs;
- Playgrounds and parks will have equipment such as picnic tables that are on firm pads, accessible to all to enjoy time with family and friends;
- Service animals are welcomed in our community;
- The International Symbol of Accessibility will become ever more visible as we move farther along in our journey to



meet the 2025 goal.

2015, also marks a significant milestone in our journey as we celebrate the 150th anniversary of the founding of Petawawa, we have come a long way from the small community which settled here 150 years ago to the "Dynamic by Nature" inclusive, accessible community we are today.

We would also ask you to join us in celebrating all our Canadian athletes who will come together in Toronto in July for the Parapan American Games. They are the essence of what sport is really about, making the best of their abilities despite the obstacles placed in their path. Congratulations to all!

The PAAC would like to hear from you. Do you have suggestions, ideas that will benefit our town? If so please feel free to contact us at the Town Office at 613-687-5536.

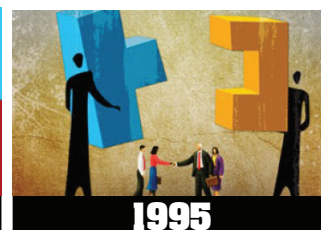
Remember, we are all walking/moving/rolling on this journey called life and we may need these services and adaptations one day to live the life we want to live, in this town we call our home.



125th Anniversary Celebrations.



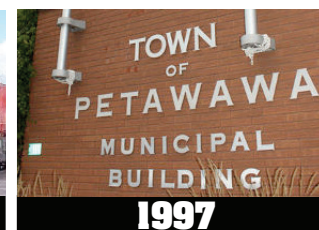
Prince Andrew, Duke of York, visited Petawawa and presided over the 25th Anniversary of the Canadian Airborne Regiment.



Village and Township launch amalgamation talks.



Petawawa's fourth train derailment.



Township and Village amalgamate to form the Town of Petawawa - combined population 14,546.



Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh, visited Petawawa for Canada Day festivities.





## Zoning - Then, Now and Tomorrow

By Karen Cronier

MCIP, RPP Planning Coordinator

Generally speaking the primary purpose of a Zoning By-law is to segregate uses that are thought to be incompatible and set out provisions that help to ensure new development will be compatible with existing uses. Zoning By-laws provide regulations on the kinds of activities and uses that are permitted on various lands within the municipality such as residential, commercial, open space and industrial. The Zoning By-law establishes the density of housing types, the height of buildings, setback requirements, and the number of parking

spaces as well as the height of buildings on a property.

Taking into consideration the theme of Then, Now and Tomorrow, I thought it would be interesting to attempt to find the earliest by-law that placed controls on development within Petawawa.

I found By-law No. 219 of the Township of Petawawa which was passed on November 24, 1941 and was signed by Reeve Robert Hampel and Clerk Herb Moss. This by-law provided for the erection and repairing of buildings within the municipality. Some of the by-law provisions included the following:

- A permit must be obtained from the Inspector of Build-

ings prior to any work taking place on the property;

- Plans and sketches were to be submitted and were retained by the Inspector for a period of 3 months, after the completion of the work the plans and sketches were returned to the applicant stamped as approved;

- The by-law spoke to the requirement for all buildings to be maintained in a safe condition and the designs of buildings were to be of good engineering practice;

- Residential structures were not to have a ground floor area less than 500 square feet, exclusive of the porch or veranda;

- Separate privies were to be

provided for each home, cabin or other building where such house, cabin or other building is occupied by one family and where two or more families occupy such house, cabin or other building, separate privies shall be provided for each family;

- The number of occupants to each house, cabin or other building was restricted based on the amount of cubic feet or air space of such house, cabin or other building. This was calculated on the basis of an allowance of five hundred (500) cubic feet per person;

- All wells were to be at least fifty (50) feet from outside privies or grease traps;

Early by-laws limited types of uses within the Township and in 1949 tanneries, salvage shops, salvage yards or industries of a noxious or unhealthy character within the Township were

prohibited. Provisions within the by-laws prohibited businesses to be established north of the southern boundary of Alice Street to the Ottawa River and this controlled the establishment of used car lots and trailer camps.

The Village of Petawawa Zoning By-law No. 67-9 prohibited the keeping of animals. No animals, other than pets, were permitted in any zone within the Village. Domestic fowl, cattle, goats, swine, rabbits, mink, foxes, horses and mules were specifically prohibited. The Village By-law also defined a family which meant "one person or two or more persons who are interrelated by bonds of consanguinity, marriage or legal adoption, or a group of not more than four unrelated persons, with or without one or more full-time servants, occupying a dwelling unit." Our current

Zoning By-law continues to control the types of animals permitted within the Town boundaries however the definition of family no longer exists under the Zoning By-law.

These early by-laws formed the basis for which the by-laws of today were established. In October 2007 the first Consolidated Zoning By-law brought together the Zoning By-laws of the Township of Petawawa and the Village of Petawawa into one document. The Zoning By-law continues to evolve and the Town is currently reviewing By-law No. 456/07 to ensure that its provisions remain current with today's development standards.

## WELCOME to new employees

**Mitchell Turcotte, Operator Labourer**

**Annette Mantifel, Treasurer**



Mitchell Turcotte, joined the Public Works Department on May 1, 2014 as a full time employee. For the previous two years Mitch worked for Greenwood Paving during the summer months and as an operator during the winter months for Public Works. Mitch has 15 years' experience in the construction industry, as well as experience in the operation of heavy equipment. Mitch is a welcome addition to the Public Works Department. Mitch resides in Pembroke with his wife and son. His hobbies include hunting and fishing, and relaxing at the Bay during the summer.

**Welcome to the Public Works Department Mitch.**



Annette Mantifel joined the Town of Petawawa on July 2, 2014 as Treasurer. She brings over 20 years of municipal experience to the Town having worked previously with the former Township of Westmeath and upon amalgamation, the Township of Whitewater Region. Annette was raised in the Ottawa Valley now residing near Beachburg. She has studied business management and accounting graduating from Carleton University with a Bachelor of Commerce degree. She is a member of the Association of Municipal Managers, Clerks and Treasurers of Ontario (AMCTO) and the Ontario Municipal Tax & Revenue Association (OMTRA).

**Annette welcomes the opportunity to work for the Town of Petawawa and its residents!**

## Herman Street Public School Wins Indigo Love of Reading, Adopt a School Contest



Herman Street Public School won \$10,000 and raised another \$8,878.45 for the school library. The entire student body and staff gathered on November 13, 2014, along with Coles Book Store manager Kim Connors and assistant manager Debbie Levesque, to thank everyone who helped them achieve their goal. (Submitted photo)



**1997**

Council renames Highway Street "Petawawa Boulevard".



**1999**

Petawawa gets "9-1-1" service.



**2000**

A Millennium project named the Emerald Necklace Trail is built.



**2002**

Ottawa Valley Waste Recovery Centre opens.



**2003**

Four Seasons Snowmobile Bridge constructed.



**2004**

Petawawa Public Library renovations and expansion completed.



# THEN & NOW



## Garbage – Then, Now & Tomorrow

**By Elizabeth Graham**

Communications Officer  
Ottawa Valley Waste Recovery Centre

The Town of Petawawa has an extensive history in developing one of most unique waste processing facilities in Eastern Ontario. Since 1977, the Town of Petawawa (then

the Township & Village), has been working with surrounding Municipalities to provide recycling, composting and other waste diversion programs to the Community. Today, the Town of Petawawa is the largest of five Municipal partners in the Ottawa Val-

ley Waste Recovery Centre (OVWRC). In 2014, residents and businesses, through the curbside collection program, sent 2,537 tonnes of garbage, 1,375 tonnes of recyclables and 2,155 tonnes of organics to the OVWRC for processing.

### GARBAGE THEN

In 1977, the Township of Petawawa and the Village of Petawawa, including the South and North Townsites of CFB Petawawa started sending garbage to the Alice & Fraser Landfill Site. Together, with their local Municipal partners, the Pembroke & Area Waste Management Board was formed and a variety of waste diversion programs were implemented over the next 25 years. These included recycling of cardboard, bottles and cans, opening of a waste oil and hazardous waste depot as well as a subsidized Backyard Composting Program.

During this time, the Municipalities started looking at long-term waste management options. After an extensive search and public consultation, an integrated waste management system that continued to utilize the Alice & Fraser Landfill site was the preferred choice for long-term waste manage-

ment within the Municipalities. The focus would be on diverting of waste from landfill through extensive recycling and composting programs.

### GARBAGE NOW

In 2002, the Ottawa Valley Waste Recovery Centre (OVWRC) opened its' doors to provide recycling, composting and construction & demolition processing to local area Municipalities. These new facilities were constructed adjacent to the existing landfill site which is what makes the Centre's set-up unique; it is essentially a "one-stop" shop. The Town

of Petawawa, along with the City of Pembroke, Township of Laurentian Valley, Township of North Algona Wilberforce and Sebastopol Ward of Bonnechere Valley, formed the Ottawa Valley Waste Management Board and continue to oversee the operations at OVWRC.

Over the last 12 years, Petawawa residents and businesses have been able to participate in the Centre's extensive waste diversion programs. These have included the addition of the yellow bin in 2003 which increased recycling by 57 per cent, the launch of Garrison Petawawa's waste separation program (red, blue, black bins) in 2003, electronics re-

cycling offered in 2009, Environmental Days added to collect tires, electronics and hazardous waste (Over 500 Petawawa residents participate in these every year!) and a Mixed Construction and Demolition Sorting Program in 2012. A Reuse Centre is being piloted at the Centre in 2015 to collect construction and renovation materials such as windows, doors, etc.

As part of the Centre's ongoing commitment to environmental protection, in 2008, a landfill leachate treatment system was installed to collect and treat, through an engineered wetland, all surface and groundwater that may be impacted by landfill run-off.

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## Did you know?



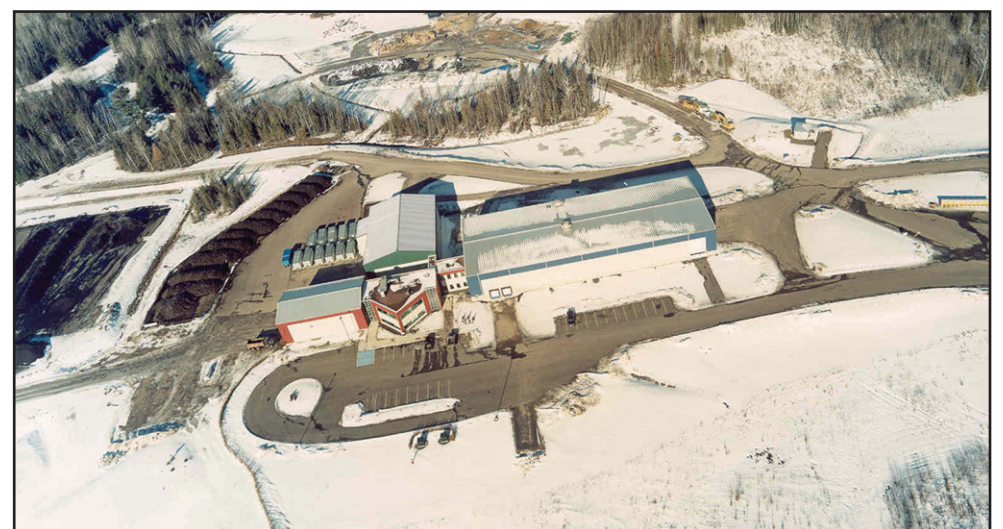
Allison Brennan was born and raised in Petawawa and graduated from General Panet in 2002 and has enjoyed a career in film, television and theatre. She has appeared in several national commercials and on the cover of Canadian Running Magazine and Canadian Living Magazine. Allison has had roles in movies such as "Donkey", "Dr. Cabbie", "Debug" and the television movie "The Husband She Met Online". Allison holds a B.A. with Honours in Theatre from the University of Ottawa.



Michael Thomas "Tom" Green was born in Pembroke in 1971 and spent his formative years growing up in Petawawa. He is a Canadian actor, rapper, writer, comedian, producer, director, talk show host, and media personality. Best known for his unique brand of comedy, Green found mainstream prominence via his MTV television show The Tom Green Show.



Tommy Mac (Tommy MacDonald) graduated from General Panet High School in 1989 and he is the bass player for the band Hedley.



**2004**

Emerald Necklace Trail System receives Award of Excellence for Innovation.



**2005**

Petawawa Centennial Family Health Centre opens at its temporary location on Reichwald Crescent.



**2005**

100th Anniversary of CFB Petawawa.



**2006**

Petawawa River Bridge dedicated to the seven McConnell brothers (Lorne, James, Alexander, Sydney, Clifford, Edward and Reginald) who all fought in the Second World War and safely returned home to Petawawa.



**2008**

Petawawa Centennial Family Health Centre opens at its new location on Civic Centre Road.



**2012**

CP railroad tracks removed through Petawawa and Pembroke.





(Left to right) Dot's Gift Shop circa 1950s, Town of Petawawa Post Office, 2015; Petawawa Train Station circa 1900s, Petawawa Train Station 2015; Camp Petawawa Front Gate circa 1920s; near the main entrance to Garrison Petawawa 2015.

## Town of Petawawa Building Department

By **Randy Mohns**  
Chief Building Official

### THEN

The basic building permit for a 1,000 sq ft home in 1972 cost \$8.00 – Back then, development charges did not exist, so the cost to build was solely based on the square footage.

### NOW

The basic building permit for a 1,000 sq ft home in 2015 costs \$5,295.00 – As there are now development charges including general, sewer, and water, the cost to build includes fees based on square footage as well as the inclusion of applicable development charges.

The general purpose for which the Town imposes development charges is to assist in providing the infrastructure re-

quired by future development in the municipality through the establishment of a viable capital funding source to meet the Town's financial requirements.

### TOMORROW

What better way to celebrate the Town's 150th Anniversary then by enhancing our future! By paying extra close attention to the Property Standards By-law, we as a community can ensure that all residents are able to enjoy safe and healthy neighbourhoods.

By-law 146/2000, Section 2.02 states, "Lawns shall be kept trimmed and from becoming unreasonably overgrown, hedges and trees shall be kept trimmed and from becoming unreasonably overgrown in a fashion that may affect safety, visibility or passage of the general public."

Section 2.03 states, "Every yard, including vacant lots shall be kept clean and free from (a) rubbish or debris and objects or conditions that may create a health, fire, or accident hazard."

As our community expands and we continue to encourage new development(s), let's strive to maintain a clean, inviting environment, not only for our current residents, but for visitors and potential future residents!

### \*\*REMINDER\*\*

Permits are required for minor projects such as: pools (fences included), decks, signs, minor alterations/repairs and additions. If ever you are uncertain, please call the Town's Building Department to clarify whether or not a permit is required. 613-687-5536.

## WELCOME TO VALOUR SCHOOL



The Renfrew County District School Board and the staff of Valour Kindergarten to Grade 12 School are pleased to welcome you to the newest school in Renfrew County featuring:

- The largest school gym in Renfrew County, dividable into four walled spaces
  - Full wireless connectivity
- SMARTboard technology in all classrooms
  - Community access
  - Media centre
- High Performance Sports programming
- Dual stream English and French Immersion
- A segregated Kindergarten wing and playground

## EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

### "I AM READY. WE ARE READY":

...is a National Initiative to increase awareness of individual and family preparedness.

Do you know what to do in a tornado, a flood or winter storm? Do you have everything you need during a major emergency? Visit [ONTARIO.CA/BEPREPARED](http://ONTARIO.CA/BEPREPARED)

Utilize the online tool to help you create an Emergency Preparedness Action Plan for your household. Your completed plan will:

- List the specific steps you need to take to get prepared
- Provide tips on hazards that might affect your community

- Include information related to special needs you may have (for example, information for people with disabilities, seniors and



pet owners)

You can't predict an emergency, but you can prepare for one. Take action today!

## Garbage – Then, Now & Tomorrow ... continued from previous page

In 2011, the Centre's Landfill Gas Collection System became operational. Landfill gas (methane) is collected through 28 wells and flared to produce carbon dioxide in order to manage any impacts the landfill may have on air quality.

### GARBAGE – TOMORROW

There is some uncertainty as to what waste in Ontario will look like in the future. The Ministry of Environment and Climate Change is expected to table legislation this year with a vision to work towards "zero waste" and an objective to "transform the existing waste diversion framework which will include new producer responsibility legislation with a focus on reducing and reusing". The Ottawa Valley Waste Management Board will be monitoring any new legislation closely.

Tom Mohns, Town of Petawawa Dep-

uty Mayor has been Vice-Chair of the Ottawa Valley Waste Management Board for 10 years. He looks forward to what the future holds for OVWRC.

"I've seen many exciting changes at the Centre over the years. Speaking on behalf of Petawawa, we look forward to the continued partnership with our neighbouring municipalities," he said. "We thank our residents and businesses for their ongoing support and participation in our waste management programs."

Petawawa Mayor Bob Sweet, originally coined the phrase "Working Together to Walk Lightly on the Environment" which has been adopted as the Centre's mission statement. As Petawawa celebrates its 150 year history, the Ottawa Valley Waste Recovery Centre looks forward to being a part of Petawawa's future.



**2013**

Canadian Forces Base Petawawa is restructured to become Garrison Petawawa.



**2014**

40th Anniversary of the Petawawa Civic Centre.



THEN, NOW & TOMORROW – 150 Years in Petawawa

**2015**

150th Anniversary Celebrations – population 16,173

...& Tomorrow





# Petawawa Public Library – Then, Now & Tomorrow

## IN THE BEGINNING

The history of the Petawawa Public Library can be traced back to 1973 when what is now known as the Town of Petawawa consisted of two separate municipalities: the Village of Petawawa and the Township of Petawawa. At that time, the two communities agreed to form a Union Library which would serve the needs of their combined populations.

When the "Petawawa Village and Township Union Library" officially opened to the public on May 12, 1975 at the Petawawa Civic Centre, it contained approximately 3,500 books within a 1,900 square foot room. It was open to the public every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. and many of the staff worked on a volunteer basis.

## EXPANSION #1

By 1980, as membership increased to 4,000 and the book collection began to outgrow the existing space, the Library Board, under the leadership of the Chairman, Dr. R. Robinson, decided to explore options for library expansion. In August 1982, the library took up temporary residence upstairs in the Civic Centre in order to provide uninterrupted service while construction of the

library extension took place.

The grand opening of the renovated and expanded Petawawa Village and Township Union Library took place on Wednesday, December 29, 1982. In his address to the audience gathered for the opening ceremony, Dr. Robinson described the library as "a cultural and interest centre for all ages" and "a place for intellectual growth".

## A NEW NAME

In 1997, with the amalgamation of the Township and Village, the new Town of Petawawa became home to the "Petawawa Public Library".

## EXPANSION #2

As the collection and membership continued to increase, more services were added, including public internet access. Discussions about further expansion took place and plans were made to once again temporarily relocate the library to allow for renovation and new construction.

On October 1, 2003 the library closed its doors at the Civic Centre and moved to its temporary home at the old Pharma Plus building on Victoria Street where approximately half the library's holdings were available to the public. The rest was placed in storage for the duration of the renovation.

Construction at the old site began in late October, and throughout the winter and spring many new and exciting changes were made.

Less than one year later, on August 2, 2004 the temporary location of the Petawawa Public Library closed, and the move back to the "new" library began. The official opening ceremony was held for dignitaries and donors on September 24, 2004. On October 4, 2004 the Petawawa Public Library re-opened to the public. More public internet stations were made available and wireless internet capability was added to the services provided in the larger 12,000 square foot facility.

The building was debt free upon completion due to the Town's foresight in setting aside monies for the project and the efforts of the Fundraising Com-

mittee. Donations from the Rotary Club and other local businesses and individuals allowed for the inclusion of a multi-purpose meeting room, now known as the Rotary Room.

## TODAY

Today, the Petawawa Public Library continues to grow. It employs full-time and part-time staff and continues to rely on the help of loyal volunteers to serve over 7,000 active members. The collection still provides access to books, movies, music and public internet stations for all ages. We are also a WiFi hotspot.

The library catalogue is available online and a variety of electronic research and hobby databases may also be accessed by members inside and outside the library. The library provides programs for all ages. The library has also under-

taken a project to digitize our Heritage Collection consisting of photos, documents and audio recordings which are freely accessible online.

The library supports the Parks & Recreation Department's focus on intensifying physical activity, community development and environmental stewardship by providing access to snowshoes, bicycles, GPS units and binoculars to members and visitors to the area. In addition, the first Book Tree in Renfrew County is located on the Civic Centre grounds just across from the library. The library was one of the key partners in bringing the program to Petawawa.

The library is open 6 days a week, but 24/7 access is available for most online resources. It's your library: check it out!!! [www.petawawapubliclibrary.ca](http://www.petawawapubliclibrary.ca)



## Petawawa Trivia Challenge: How well do you know your town?

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| 1. What is the official name for the area known as the Catwalk?<br><br>a) Centennial Park<br>b) Rapids Park<br>c) Petawawa Park<br>d) Petawawa Pond | 6. What year did the Petawawa Civic Centre officially open?<br><br>a) 1974<br>b) 1984<br>c) 1964<br>d) 1970  | 11. Who was the first mayor of the Town of Petawawa following amalgamation in 1997?<br><br>a) Bob Sweet<br>b) Ed Chow<br>c) Dennis Carmody<br>d) Bill Ramsey   |
| 2. What animal appears on the Town of Petawawa logo?<br><br>a) Bear<br>b) Beaver<br>c) Deer<br>d) Moose   | 7. Tommy MacDonald (a.k.a. Tommy Mac), former Petawawa resident, is the bass player for what Canadian rock band?<br><br>a) Nickelback<br>b) Rush<br>c) Hedley<br>d) Arcade Fire                    | 12. Molson Ski Hill has a vertical drop of how many feet?<br><br>a) 80<br>b) 100<br>c) 120<br>d) 140   |
| 3. What was the ethnic origin of the first large group of European settlers of Petawawa?<br><br>a) Russian<br>b) German<br>c) American<br>d) Polish | 8. What forced the evacuation of 800 people from the Petawawa Village on February 24, 1985?<br><br>a) Bomb threat<br>b) Train derailment<br>c) Gas leak<br>d) Forest fire                          | 13. The very first Book Tree in Renfrew County is located where?<br><br>a) Town of Petawawa Municipal Office<br>b) Norman Behnke Hall<br>c) Petawawa Civic Centre<br>d) Centennial Park  |
| 4. How many terms has Mayor Bob Sweet served as Warden of Renfrew County?<br><br>a) 1<br>b) 3<br>c) 5<br>d) 7                                       | 9. What famous airplane flew its first flight in Canada at Camp Petawawa in 1909?<br><br>a) Kitty Hawk<br>b) Silver Dart<br>c) Avro Arrow<br>d) Hindenburg   | 14. Who was the first woman elected to Council in Petawawa (including the Township of Petawawa, Village of Petawawa, and Town of Petawawa)?<br><br>a) Treena Lemay<br>b) Netty Graham<br>c) Joan Benner<br>d) Theresa Sabourin |
| 5. What type of military tank is located at the entrance of Garrison Petawawa?<br><br>a) Panther<br>b) Sherman<br>c) Terminator<br>d) Centurion     | 10. In the spring of 1942 Roy Giesebrecht played in the Stanley Cup playoffs for what NHL team?<br><br>a) Montreal Canadiens<br>b) Boston Bruins<br>c) Detroit Red Wings<br>d) Toronto Maple Leafs | 15. Who was the first person to sign the guest book in honour of the amalgamation of the Township and the Village on July 1, 1997?<br><br>a) Dennis Carmody<br>b) Bob Sweet<br>c) Prince Phillip<br>d) Ed Chow                 |

## Did you know?



Ray Sheppard was born on May 27th, 1966 in Pembroke and lived in Petawawa for several stints. He played minor hockey in Petawawa in the early 1980s until he was drafted by the Cornwall Royals in 1983. The Buffalo Sabres drafted him 60th overall in 1984. He played 817 games in the NHL for Buffalo, Detroit, New York Rangers, San Jose Sharks, Florida Panthers and Carolina Hurricanes. He scored 357 goals, 300 assists for 657 career points. He tallied 52 goals for Detroit in 1993-94.



Lloyd Mohns was born on July 31st, 1921 in Petawawa and played one career game in the NHL for the New York Rangers during the 1943-44 season.



Joe Reekie played 3 seasons of minor hockey in Petawawa from 1980-82 and was drafted by the North Bay Centennials in 1982. He played 902 career NHL games for the Buffalo Sabres, New York Islanders, Tampa Bay Lightning, Washington Capitals and Chicago Black Hawks. He scored 25 goals, added 139 assists for 164 career points and spent 1326 minutes in the penalty box. He fought Eric Lindros.

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