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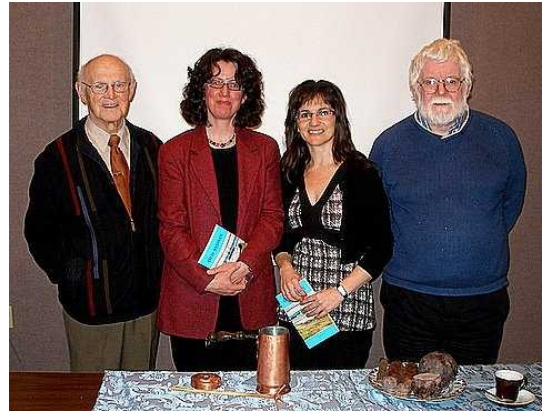
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## *Chocolate at the Old Sydney Society*

Anne Marie Lane Jonah and Ruby Fougère gave a talk at the Old Sydney Society on February 28 about chocolate in eighteenth-century Louisbourg. The talk focused on how chocolate came to this region and the different uses of chocolate in the eighteenth century.

The presentation included reproductions from Louisbourg's curatorial collection and samples of the hot chocolate provided by the Fortress Louisbourg Association. It was a well-attended event and generated very enthusiastic responses for the chocolate and the history.

On March 8 Anne Marie presented the same talk and delivered the chocolate-related curatorial objects to the Museum of Industry in Stellarton for their March Break program, "Chocolate – A Sweet Adventure."



*In the picture are: Dr. Donald Arseneau, President of the Old Sydney Society, Anne Marie Lane Jonah, Ruby Fougère and Peyton Chisholm, Curator, Old Sydney Society.*

## *AAA Travel Marketplace*

The Parks Canada Cape Breton Field Unit joined six other industry partners from across the province (Oak Island Resorts, White Point Resorts, Destination Southwest Nova Scotia, Cape Breton Resorts, Rodd Hotels, Bay Ferries) as part of the NS Department of Tourism pavillion at the 5th annual AAA Travel Marketplace held March 7-9th at Gillette Stadium in Foxborough, Massachusetts.



Philip Boudreau represented the Fortress in costume and Mark Sajatovich managed the Parks Canada Cape Breton booth.

While the main focus was the Fortress Encampment, the entire field unit was represented. Over 3,000 FOL, CBH, AGB and HL brochures (as well as Town of Louisbourg 'Louisbourg 2008' event schedule rack cards) were distributed. Reports from the other participants in the Nova Scotia section indicated particularly strong interest in the Fortress and Cape Breton Highlands.

In addition to the Boston AAA Show, the field unit has been promoted with booths at the Tourism Industry of Nova Scotia Conference (Halifax, November), Savour Food and Wine Show (Halifax- March, FLA) and participated in a dinner for travel writers in Halifax during the Travel Media Association of Canada Conference (Halifax, February). Upcoming shows for the field unit include the Cape Breton Small Meetings and Conventions Showcase (Halifax, April), Saltscapes Consumer Show (Halifax, April) and the NS Department of Tourism Bluenose Promotion (Toronto, June).



Mark Sajatovich and Philip Boudreau



### *Retirements*

On March 6, 2008, there was a farewell gathering by the Watchstaff at the Firehall to bid best wishes to Brian Kehoe and Richard Dobson on their upcoming retirement. These two long-time employees had a combined service of over 63 years at the Fortress. Both are now on annual leave pending their retirement in early April.

Brian Kehoe began his career at the Fortress with General Works working on the reconstruction of the site. After a brief departure from the Fortress, he returned in 1978 to work with the watchstaff, where he has continued to work until his retirement.

Richard Dobson started with Engineering and Works in the drafting department. He spent a few summers portraying the Assistant Engineer at the Engineer's House and also worked with Public Works in drafting on the reconstruction. In 1987, he began with the Watchstaff and has continued there until now.

Brian and Richard received many tributes from their colleagues and it was easy to tell the genuine esteem with which they are held. They both received a gift of a lovely framed photograph of the Bluenose

sailing in front of the Fortress. I am certain that all Fortress staff join me in wishing them well in their retirement and our thanks for a job well done.



*Sandy Balcom presenting Brian Kehoe with gift*



*Sandy Balcom presenting Richard Dobson with gift*



*Richard & Brian with fellow employees*

### *A Day For Remembering....*

Remembering lives lost or injured in the workplace on National Day of Mourning.

In 2006, almost a thousand workers in Canada lost their lives to a disease or injury they incurred from work-related causes. 976 workplace deaths were recorded, and another 900,000 workers were injured or became ill. To honour those workers across the country whose lives have been lost, who have been injured or disabled on the job, or suffer from occupational diseases, April 28th has been set aside as the National Day of Mourning. The Day of Mourning is an opportunity not only to remember, but also for employees and employers to publicly renew their commitment to improve health and safety in the workplace.

This day of observance was established when the Workers Mourning Day Act was passed in December 1990. Since that time, various events are organized each year by labour organizations across the country to express remembrance for the family, friends and colleagues who have suffered in carrying out workplace duties. The Canadian flag on Parliament Hill will fly at half-mast. Workers will light candles, don ribbons and black armbands, and observe moments of silence.

CCOHS hopes that the annual observance of this day will strengthen the resolve to establish safe conditions in the workplace for all. It is as much a call to protect the living, as it is a day to remember the dead.

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### ***Welcome to Louisbourg***

Management and staff would like to welcome Willis Stevens to our fair island. Of course, Willis was born and raised in Louisbourg so I guess this is a homecoming for him! Willis is our new Manager, Cultural Resources. We all wish him the best of luck in his new job.

### ***Condolences***

Our heartfelt condolences go to the family of Jean Pierre Chrestien who passed away earlier this month. Jean-Pierre was well known in Louisbourg and was a major contributor to the Archaeology School that was held here a few years back. Jean Pierre was a devoted fan and great friend to Louisbourg. He loved the ocean and Cape Breton.



Jean-Pierre is shown here at Louisbourg in 2007.

*Anyone wishing to contribute to the Hear Ye! Hear Ye!, please contact Donna MacNeil at [donna.macneil@pc.gc.ca](mailto:donna.macneil@pc.gc.ca) or telephone 733-3551.*

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