

## **DECEMBER 2021**

## NAVIGATOR NEWS

Monthly Newsletter of the PEI Community Navigators, an initiative of CBDC West Prince Ventures

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Individuals and families who choose to settle in rural PEI offer incredible value to the communities that they settle. In each of our numerous communities dotting the coastline or the inland rolling hills of our Island, you'll find a diverse group of community members who settled in PEI or were born as Islanders, coming together to help each other and create a prosperous and fulfilling life in Rural PEI.





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December is filled with opportunities to celebrate a

wide variety of cultural holiday traditions. We wish all Islanders a festive and relaxing holiday season.

As we approach the end of 2021, we want to take a moment to thank our many wonderful community partners and volunteers who have helped our Community Navigator project achieve success this year. We look forward to continued collaboration in 2022. Merry Christmas and festive greetings to all.

~ Maxine Rennie

# What's going on in Western PEI! Upcoming Events!



The Cavendish Farms Community Events Centre is now OPEN in Tyne Valley! Congratulations to all involved!







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## SUNDAY, DECEMBER 19

The Miscouche Fire
Department will be escorting
Santa Clause around the
following communities:

1–2 pm: Miscouche 2–3 pm: Lot 16, Belmont and South West Lot 16 3–4 pm: St. Nicholas

Santa will also have treats for all ages!!

Go! West PEI has their snowshoes out of storage!
Stay posted for upcoming events hosted by this organization in the New Year.



## **News from Rural, Central PEI!**



The Central PEI Community Navigator recently represented the Navigator Team at a mixer hosted by the Greater Summerside Chamber of Commerce and the City of Summerside. The mixer was intended to **welcome new Prince County Hospital healthcare workers** to the community.

The PEI Community Navigators are pleased to partner with Health PEI to support these workers with their settlement needs in the community.



Shown is Minister Hudson of the PEI Department of Health and Wellness addressing the crowd.



Sunday
December 19 at 5 pm
Santa tours Borden-Carleton
with the Borden-Carleton Fire Department





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Hosted by the Central PEI Community Navigator

In partnership with Englewood Community School in Crapaud (part of the PEI Association of Community Schools).

The first class takes place on Wed, Jan. 12th at 6:30 pm. Sign up details through the Community School will be available soon.

In the meantime – if you have a culture that you might like to share through a class presentation with others, please reach out and we'll see what we can coordinate!

~ Peggy (902-598-7560 / Peggy.Miles@CBDC.ca)

## **Upcoming events in Eastern PEI!**

## **December 19th**

Santa tours Cardigan on the Firetruck! Find the route on the Cardigan Fire Department Facebook Page! 5:30pm Start





**December 19th**Singer Kelly Mooney at
Kings Playhouse at 2pm

December 31st

Enjoy a family friendly "Noon Years Eve" at
the Montague Rotary Library 11am-12pm

# ENGLISH

Conversations begin in January in Eastern PEI
Register with Lindee today!

Come Try Skating, Skiing, Sledding, and Snowshoeing in Eastern PEI this winter!









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(one day per week)





Check out the PEI Community
Navigator Website and send us any
feedback by scanning this QR
Code with your smartphone!

## **ATTENTION EMPLOYERS!**

## **Hiring Immigrant Workers?**

## This Information Session is for You!







## **Presentations By:**

<u>Prince Edward Island Office of Immigration:</u>
Provincial Pathways to hiring Immigrant Workers

<u>Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada:</u> Federal Pathways to hiring Immigrant Workers

<u>PEI Community Navigators:</u>
Resources, tools & supports available

Western PEI

Date & Location TBD

Central PEI

Monday, January 17

9:00 -11:30 am

(Location TBD)

Eastern PEI

Monday, January 24

9:00 -11:30 am

(Location TBD)

**For Registration or More Information:** 





## November 28 - December 6 | Hanukkah

Hanukkah (also Chanukah) is the Jewish Festival of Lights and an eight-day holiday.

Friday, December 17 | Last instructional day for students in 2021

#### Tuesday, December 21 | Winter Solstice

The winter solstice is the day of the year with the fewest hours of daylight. After the winter solstice, days start becoming longer and nights shorter as spring approaches.



#### Friday, December 24 | Christmas Eve

Christmas Eve is the evening or entire day before Christmas Day, the festival commemorating the birth of Jesus. Santa Claus brings gifts to the homes of well-behaved children on the night of Christmas Eve.

### Saturday, December 25 | Christmas Day

Many Christians in Canada mark the birth of Jesus Christ on this day. Many Canadians have a day off work on December 25 and many spend the day with close relatives or friends. Christmas Day is a public holiday. It is a day off for the general population, and schools and most businesses are closed.

#### Sunday, December 26 | Boxing Day

For some people, Boxing Day is a time to spend with family or friends. Many people will gather for meals, spend time outside, or relax at home and enjoy the day off. Many businesses are closed on this day.

#### December 26 - January 1 | Kwanzaa

Kwanzaa is an annual celebration of African-American culture which is held from December 26 to January 1 culminating in gift-giving and a feast of faith, called Karamu Ya Imani. Kwanzaa is a Swahili word that means "first" and signifies the first fruits of the harvest.

#### Friday, December 31 | New Year's Eve

New Year's Eve is a day of reflection of the past year's events and a time to prepare for the New Year. Please check provincial COVID protocols to see what is permitted this year.

#### Saturday, January 1 | New Year's Day

New Year's Day is a national holiday celebrated on January 1st, the first day of the New Year. This New Years' holiday is often marked by making 'New Year's Resolutions' and looking ahead to the future's possibilities.

**COVID-19 (coronavirus) information for Prince Edward Island:** www.princeedwardisland.ca/en/covid19 However you are celebrating the holidays, please ensure that you are following COVID guidelines.

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