



Comité d'action du premier ministre
sur la prévention de la violence familia

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- 1) **Call for Nominations for 2015 PEI Senior Islanders of the Year, Deadline July 15**

Do you know someone who makes a difference in your community or organization through their participation in events, fund-raising or helping other people?

Many Island artists, musicians, farmers, fishermen, and educators are leaders in their professions. Would you like to recognize the accomplishments of a colleague?

Would you like to tell others about how an older adult has made a difference in your life?

The PEI Seniors' Secretariat invites you to show your appreciation by submitting a nomination for the PEI Senior Islanders of the Year Award. As part of its ongoing plan to promote positive images of aging the Secretariat is pleased to sponsor these awards to recognize and celebrate the many contributions of Island seniors. The awards, which will be presented on 2 October, are intended to recognize achievements in many areas, including:

volunteerism, artistic contributions, fund-raising, community activity, education, career, fitness/recreation, and other activities.

Submitting your nomination

Nomination forms are now available from www.gov.pe.ca/seniors , by email request at seniors@gov.pe.ca or mail by calling 1-866-770-0588. The nomination form includes space for a brief outline of why your nominee should be named a Senior Islander of the Year and two letters of support. The deadline for receiving nominations is **July 15, 2015**.

2) Attention Writers: Intergeneration Week Literary Contest, Deadline August 1

Intergeneration Week is September 20 to 26 (see poster, attached). This week is dedicated to building relationships, fostering respect and appreciation for the unique contributions of community members of all ages. Storytelling is an Island tradition for sharing wit, wisdom and experience. In celebration of Intergeneration Week, the PEI Seniors' Secretariat invites you to share a story or poem that features characters from at least two generations. This year's contest theme is sharing life lessons learned from an older or younger person in your life: "what I learned from...". Entries can be submitted by mail (Seniors' Secretariat c/o 2nd Floor Jones Building, 11 Kent Street, Charlottetown C1A 7N8), email seniors@gov.pe.ca or fax (902-894-0242) by **August 1** for your chance to win prizes. Good luck!

3) PAC Youth Engagement Working Group Storyboard Contest Winners Announced

On June 19, 2015 the winners of the PAC Youth Engagement Working Group Storyboard Contest were announced followed by an ice cream social to celebrate. Check out the winning entries in the grade 4-6 and grade 7-9 categories, and all of the creative submissions at: www.stopfamilyviolence.pe.ca

Press Release:

<http://www.gov.pe.ca/newsroom/index.php?number=news&dept=&newsnumber=10244&lang=E>

To access French content, click [Français](#) on the respective web pages.

4) PEI Status of Women Equality Report Card Released

On Wednesday, June 24, the PEI Advisory Council on the Status of Women (ACSW) released their 2015 Equality Report Card. The Report Card is one of most major projects of the ACSW, released every two years to assess the provincial government's work towards women's equality and diversity goals. The 2015 grade for government was a "C" - unchanged from 2013.

The report brings together information provided by government officials, evaluation and analysis from Council members, and feedback from community organizations. [Click this link](#) for the report and Launch information.

Renewal of PAC's mandate with chair, Ann Sherman, and two initiatives emerging from PAC's work, Triple P Positive Parenting and Enhanced Emergency Sexual Assault Services (EESAS), were recognized as positive accomplishments.

5) Abuse & Neglect of Older Adults Research Team in the Maritimes (ANOART) Environmental Scan Survey

Abuse and neglect of older adults is a health and social problem with profound consequences that affects people from all walks of life. Research shows however that more older women are abused than older men. This may reflect the greater proportion of women among the older adult population or other factors such as ageism, sexism, lower social economic status, poorer health of older adults, and fewer personal resources.

The Maritime Provinces represent some of the highest percentage of senior population in Canada and share many other socio-economic challenges that exacerbate the growing concern about the real potential risk for increased abuse and neglect of older adults. ANOART was formed as a result.

ANOART members share a passion and commitment to the wellbeing of older adults. As part of the process of developing a research plan ANOART is conducting an Environmental Scan Survey to contribute to the knowledge about what is happening in New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island on the issue of abuse of older people in general but more specifically in trying to understand the lived reality of abused older women.

Who can take part in the research study? Participants must be a resident of New Brunswick or Prince Edward Island. While anyone is welcome to complete the survey in these two provinces, the survey is targeted primarily at professionals who work with older adults in some capacity, including those who work with or for older adults who are abused.

Complete the ANOART Environmental Survey at: www.fluidsurveys.com/s/abuse

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1) ASI 2015 Symposium on Child and Youth Mental Health, August 17-19

Registration is now open for an Atlantic Canadian event which will bring together individuals from across the region with an interest in child and youth mental health.

The goal of the two-day Symposium: ***Investing in Child and Youth Mental Health – Mobilizing Atlantic Canadians for a Positive Future*** is to learn about mental health in Atlantic Canada, build networks and identify strategies for enhancing programs and policies in schools, communities and provinces. The event is designed for everyone who promotes positive mental health, including researchers, policy-makers and advocates, as well as parents, caregivers, and youth.

The Symposium will feature speakers, presentations and interactive workshops on:

- Social and Emotional Learning (SEL) – key to mental health promotion & well-being
- Parent, Youth and Community Engagement
- Integrated Service Delivery (School based)
- Experiences of and access to services
- Collective impact to improve mental health of children and youth

The preliminary program is available at www.asi-iea.ca. More details about speakers, subsidies and early bird rates (before May 31) coming soon!

The Symposium on Child and Youth Mental Health is a collaborative event organized by the Atlantic Summer Institute on Healthy and Safe Communities (ASI), in partnership with two key Canadian projects: Socially and Emotionally Aware Kids (SEAK) and Atlantic Canada Children’s Effective Service Strategies in Mental Health (ACCESS-MH).

To register, visit www.asi-iea.ca.

Early Bird registration rates will be available until May 31, 2015.

Contact the Atlantic Summer Institute on Healthy and Safe Communities for more information about the Symposium: info@asi-iea.ca; (902) 894-3399.

***THANK YOU!
HAPPY SUMMER!***

**Premier’s Action Committee on
Family Violence Prevention Vision Statement**

A society where all individuals are safe, respected and valued; where any form of violence is unacceptable; and where children, women, and men have opportunities to reach their full potential and contribute to the overall well-being of all families and communities.

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