

Canada Day 2012 *by Cam Richardson*

2012 Canada Day celebrations in PauB, put on by the Chamber of Commerce were well attended and there were many events and activities for all. We started the day off with the flag raising and the singing of *O'Canada* as led by Roy Schatz who also snuck in *God Save the Queen* in honour of the Queens 60th. Peter Ketchum, our Reeve, said a few words on the revitalization of the waterfront and the new Lighthouse that was officially opened earlier that morning. There were many of the TOA councillors in attendance, Terry Desmasdon, Ken Williams, John Hansel, Greg Andrews, Gary French and Ian Mead to help celebrate the day with us. The boat parade had lively participation with the winning boat being 'Leafs Gone Fishing'. The Leitch family, wearing costumes of the Red Coats, won the walking parade. Everyone lined up for the Pickerel lunch put on by Dave Green and his volunteers. What a feast! I can honestly say that our group wanted seconds! There were a plethora of Arts and Crafts booths, as organized by Joan Emery, that had everything from jewellery, furniture, pottery, glassware, cottage accessories, knick-knacks, signs, to paintings. Many items were donated by the local merchants for the silent auction that raises funds for the community. The bidding was fierce!

There were many volunteers that made this happen. Our thanks goes out to them and the Chamber for hosting the event.