



## ARBOUR DAY CEREMONY June 1, 2011

On June 1, the Bowring Park Foundation (BPF) partnered with the City of St. John's, Tree Canada, TD Friends of the Environment, St. John's Clean & Beautiful and the Grand Concourse Authority to celebrate Arbor Day. The City of St. John's Arborist, David Evans, was the MC for the event and he informed the gathering about the destruction of a very special tree in Bowring Park. A 97 year old Linden Tree which had been planted by the Duke of Connaught at the Park's official opening on July 15, 1914 was destroyed during Hurricane Igor on September 21, 2010. Grade two students from Hazelwood Elementary were in attendance and they assisted Mayor Dennis O'Keefe plant the new Linden Tree.



*The directors of the Bowring Park Foundation were awarded the Building Healthy Communities Volunteer Award at the City of St. John's Volunteer Reception at City Hall on April 14, 2011. Accepting the award from Deputy Mayor Shannie Duff is Michael Power, the chair of the Bowring Park Foundation.*



**Wish Bowring Park a  
Happy 97th Birthday  
on July 15th**

### Bowring Park Foundation Memberships

Membership forms are available at the Bowring Park Foundation Lodge; located next to the East Entrance or they may be downloaded at:

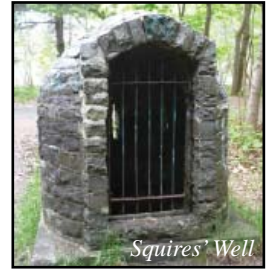
[www.bowringpark.com](http://www.bowringpark.com)

**Membership Fees:** Senior \$10.00, Individual \$12.00, Family \$18.00

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## SQUIRES' PROPERTY PROJECT

The Bowring Park Foundation has begun work on another interesting walk in the Park for patrons to enjoy. It is on land that was once owned by Sir Richard Squires, Prime Minister of Newfoundland from 1919 to 1923 and again from 1928 to 1932. Sir Richard resided on a piece of property called Midstream and his house was known as Cherry Lodge. The house was demolished in the early 1970s but his well still remains in the area. MUN Botanical Garden has surveyed the trees and plants in the area and has found that it does contain some interesting heritage species for which storyboards could be developed. Relatives of Sir Richard Squires' have been contacted and they are providing some family photos to show what the area looked like during Sir Richard's residency.



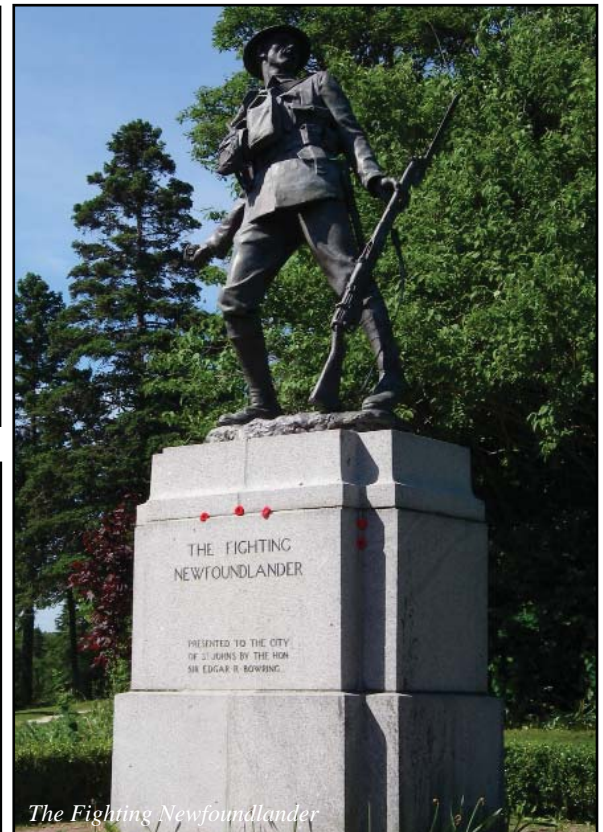
## CHANGES TO ROADWAY IN BOWRING PARK



The Bowring Park Foundation (BPF) recently partnered with the City of St. John's to cost-share 50/50 the conversion and realignment of the roadway adjacent to the Bungalow. The pavement on the south side of the loop has been widened and repaved to permit two-way traffic. The road on the north side of the loop is now restricted to pedestrian use only. During the summer, an electronically operated security gate will be installed at the East Entrance to minimize the vehicular traffic in the park. The Foundation will contribute approximately \$120,000 to this project, the purpose of which is to enhance the pedestrian experience in Bowring Park.

## JULY 1ST - MEMORIAL DAY

July 1st is Canada Day but it is also Memorial Day in Newfoundland. Memorial Day commemorates Newfoundland and Labrador's veterans, especially the members of the Newfoundland Regiment who fought and died at Beaumont Hamel during the opening day of the Battle of the Somme on July 1, 1916, during the First World War. As you walk through Bowring Park, take a few minutes to visit The Fighting Newfoundlander statue and the Caribou Memorial Site as these are tributes to the brave soldiers of the Royal Newfoundland Regiment who courageously fought and sacrificed during WWI.



## GARDENING TIPS

**Summer is a time of beauty and abundance in the garden. It's also a busy time for the gardener, full of chores that are necessary to care for and maintain the health of your plants.**

- Early summer is an ideal time to plant containers, such as patio pots, window boxes, and hanging baskets. All threat of frost has surely passed along with the passing of spring, so you can safely put containers outside. Don't forget to feed container-bound plants as the summer progresses. A general fertilizer such as 20-20-20 is recommended.

- Keep a close watch over your garden for any signs of pests so that you can move quickly and take action before the problem spreads out of control. On roses especially, keep an eye out for aphids and mildew.

- Put stakes and supports in place for tall, herbaceous plants, like peonies and delphiniums. This will prevent them from falling over or look messy as they grow taller and heavy with blooms with the progressing season.

- Don't forget to keep up with your watering, especially as the hot weather sets in (hopefully)! If you don't water

enough, roots will stay near the surface, making them even more prone to the heat. An inch of water a week is a good rule of thumb, so don't just mist, water deeply to keep those roots digging deeper.

- Although many shrubs do not require pruning, some shrubs that flower in the spring and early summer, such as lilacs, will greatly benefit from pruning once they have finished flowering. This keeps them looking lovely season after season. A good rule of thumb is prune right after things bloom and you're always safe from pruning off flower buds.

Most importantly, "Take some time to sit back, relax, and enjoy the joys of summer in your garden....a cherished time of year for every gardener."

Rhonda Thomas  
Foreperson

City of St. John's Public Works & Parks Division

## FEEDING DUCKS AND SWANS

The Foundation recommends not feeding bread to the birds. Bread has little nutritional value. It dehydrates the birds because of high salt content and it promotes bacterial growth in the water in ponds and rivers. By purchasing proper duck food you will be doing the birds a favour by providing good healthy food and you will be doing the environment a favour by not fouling the water. Duck food from the Bowring Park Foundation is available throughout the year for \$1 a bag at the various Marie's Mini-Mart locations.



## BOWRING PARK POOL SCHEDULE

**July 2 - August 28, 2011**

**For Daily Swim & Fitness Schedules please call 576-7708. For more information on swimming pool rentals, please telephone 576-8499 or e-mail [recreation@stjohns.ca](mailto:recreation@stjohns.ca)**

	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Fitness Swim / Parent & Tot Swim		11:00 AM - 12:45 PM		11:00 AM - 12:45 PM		11:00 AM - 12:45 PM	
Community Group Swim		1:00 PM - 2:00 PM	1:00 PM - 2:00 PM	1:00 PM - 2:00 PM	1:00 PM - 2:00 PM	1:00 PM - 2:00 PM	
Everyone Welcome Swim (no access to deep end or slide)			11:00 AM - 12:45 PM		11:00 AM - 12:45 PM		
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The Bowring Park Foundation was established in 1995 as a not-for-profit organization under the patronage of the late Mr. Derrick Bowring. Its mandate is to assist the City of St. John's with the restoration, preservation and development of Bowring Park.

**Bowring Park Foundation's Partners**

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| Atlantic Canada           | Husky Energy          |
| Opportunities Agency      | Marie's Mini Marts    |
| City of St. John's        | MUN Botanical Garden  |
| Coady's Metal Works       | New Dock              |
| Conservation Corps NL     | Newfoundland Power    |
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*Bowring Park Bungalow*

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Direct your inquiry regarding holding a function on the grounds of Bowring Park to the City of St. John's.

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**Community**

Our history of community involvement stems from the devotion our employees have to the places they call home. With locations throughout the island, the power of our contributions can be seen from coast to coast.

At the heart of everything we do is a desire to strengthen our connection to our customers and communities.

We are a proud partner of The Bowring Park Foundation.



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