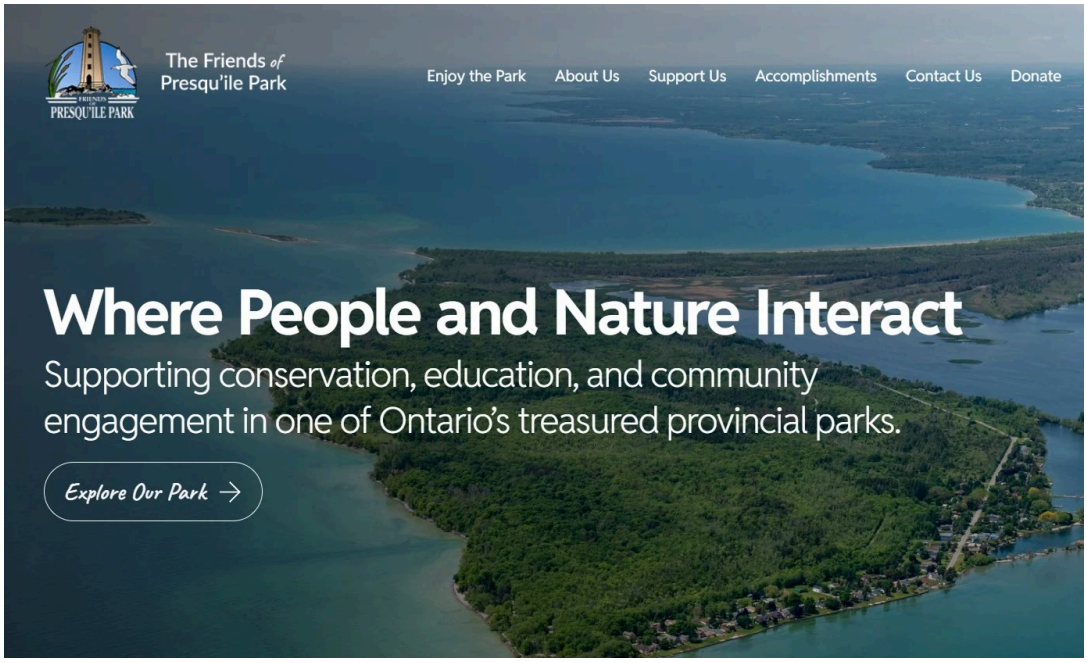
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E-Bulletin

August 2026

Summer is in full swing at Presqu'ile and there are many activities to enjoy during August and into September.

Read about upcoming events and Friends updates in this bulletin.



Our new website is live!

We're thrilled to share the fresh new look of our website. With a new platform and web team behind it, the site now offers smoother navigation and better functionality. We can't wait for you to explore it.

Check out the new look!



Board of Directors for 2026-2027

At our June AGM, we welcomed Patti Sharpe, Marc Bernardi, and Patricia Burton to the Board.

Michelle Buchkowsky agreed to return for a second term. The incumbent directors are Terry Buchkowsky, Brent Barnes, Bjorn Jacobsen, Phil McRae, and Christy Trescher.

Terry Buchkowsky has returned as Board Chair and is delighted that we have a full complement of nine directors to share the workload.

Read more about our directors on our website.



Fundraising Barbecues

Join our enthusiastic volunteers every Saturday before Labour Day for a barbecue lunch from **11:00 am to 1:30 pm** – located behind the amphitheatre in the campgrounds. You can enjoy a tasty lunch and snacks in a lovely picnic setting.

Cash only! This event is weather dependent and will be cancelled in the event of inclement weather.



Lighthouse Gift Shop

Gift Shop is open four days a week until Labour Day – **Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm.**

The gift shop stocks a wide array of toys and activities, as well as sweet treats, local art, fire starters, t-shirts and sweatshirts – something for all ages. You can learn more about birding and local history from the many books in stock.



Discovery Program

Presqu'ile's Discovery Program offers daily activities throughout the summer months. The programs run on a two-week schedule, so be sure to click the link below for the latest details. Programs include exploring natural habitats, children's programs, fossil hunting, evening programs, campfires, and so much more. **All are welcome and the programs are free with park admission**. These programs received financial support from the Friends of Presqu'ile.

On **Tuesday, August 18th at 7:00 pm**, join acclaimed songwriter/composer/playwright **David Archibald** as he presents an evening of songs, stories, and humour for the entire family. His interactive live

performances in parks across Ontario have become camper favourites. Free with park admission.

Monarchs and Migrants Weekend will be on Labour Day weekend – **September 5th and 6th**. Stay tuned for more details on our website and social media.

Find upcoming events on Presqu'ile's events calendar



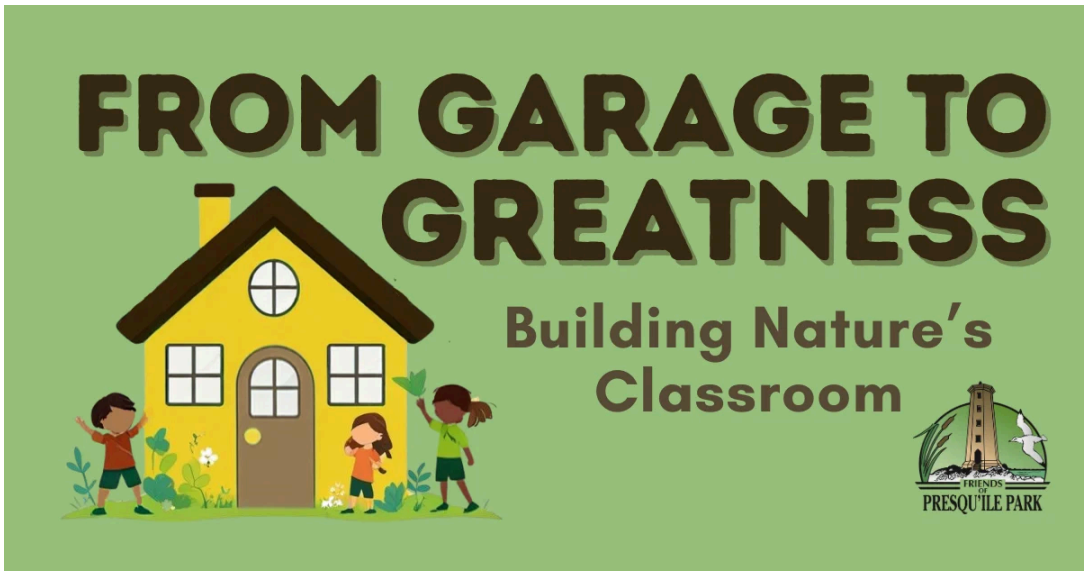
Piping Plovers and Common Terns

Once again, this summer, Presqu'ile played host to one of the few remaining nesting pairs of piping plovers. **Four chicks were hatched** and ruled the beach area until they recently

fledged. The beach has now been fully opened and groomed.

Common terns returned in large number to nest on Gull Island. Unfortunately, high waters in June flooded some nests. The nesting area was also plagued by persistent predators like the Black Crowned Night Herons and gulls. Despite these challenges, over **200 chicks fledged** this summer.

Read more about Common Tern Conservation at Presqu'ile



Garage to Greatness - Building Nature's Classroom

Architectural and engineering plans for the new all-season classroom at the Nature Centre have been completed. Quotes are being solicited from contractors now, with **work to**

begin in early fall. There is still time to donate to this worthwhile cause. Click on the link below to donate online:

Donate to Garage to Greatness Campaign



Memorial Tree Program

This year's planting will be held on **Saturday, October 17th.** There is still time to make a donation and plant a tree in memory of a loved one or to celebrate a special event. Click on the link below for more details and to donate.

Purchase a Memorial Tree



Park Improvements - Volunteers Needed

Our Park Improvements team have already started on a new and improved viewing stand at the lighthouse. Trail improvements are ongoing.

This fall drone spraying for Phragmites will begin along the Marsh Boardwalk. The Friends are very pleased to fund this important work.

It will soon be time for more tree planting and invasive species removal. **Volunteers will be needed** for that. To express interest, please sign up on our website by clicking on the link below.

Sign up to volunteer

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