

Media Release

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Changing of the Guard at MacGregor Point Park

The Friends of MacGregor Point Park would like to recognize the retirement of Chris Tomsett as Superintendent of the MacGregor Point cluster Park as of October 31st. Chris has been an enthusiastic supporter of the Saugeen community and was very active in many tourism related endeavors. He was a founding director of the Lake Huron Shoreline Tourism committee and actively involved in the promotion of tourism in the region. Over the past 29 years Chris has seen his Park Superintendent duties expand to include the administration of over 10,000 hectares of parks and unregulated land throughout Bruce and part of Grey counties. Under Chris' direction the park has provided programming for up to 600 local students each year and has also employed many other local students in it's summer programs. Chris' desire for a connecting trail between MacGregor Point and Port Elgin resulted in a partnership between the municipality, the Friends and local Rotary clubs which culminated in construction of the Rotary Way Trail.

Chris has been a great supporter of the Friends of MacGregor Point, encouraging their involvement in the educational aspects of the park. The Friends of MacGregor Point Park is a not-for-profit, charitable organization whose primary mandate is to support the interpretive, educational and research programs at MacGregor Point Provincial Park.

The Friends are very grateful to Chris for his many contributions and look forward to seeing him as a part of the Friends activities as well as the provincial parks program.

We are pleased to announce that Keith Early has been selected to fill the position of Superintendent of the MacGregor Point cluster Park. Keith moves to MacGregor Point from the position of Park Superintendent at Earl Rowe Provincial Park. Keith has almost 30 years experience in the resource management and park operations field including experience with the Durham Board of Education, the Port Burwell cluster as well as time in Peterborough as the Assistant Provincial Park Management Supervisor.

We look forward to continuing our support of educational programs at the park and working closely with Keith.

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