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**HARRIS GARFIELD JOHNSTON**

**ENTREPRENEUR & LEADER IN THE ATLANTIC CANADA FOOD INDUSTRY**

The story of Harris Garfield Johnston and Johnston's Homestyle Products is an inspiring one for many reasons. It is the story of five generations of Johnston families running Island businesses, facing economic tough times, re-building after a disastrous fire, and ultimately establishing and growing a brand that leads in its market sector.

Serving from 1954 to 1969 in the Royal Canadian Navy, Harris returned to PEI and went to work in his family business, a small scale food production operation, located in the basement of his parent's home in Charlottetown. Within two years he was running the company, Johnston's Homestyle Products, and within just two decades had presided over tremendous growth, adding new products, moving into a modern federally inspected food processing facility, employing over 30 people, supporting the Island's farmers buying millions of pounds of meat and produce, and dominating the prepared salad market in Atlantic Canada.

*Contributions to his community* are equally impressive, supporting and sponsoring many amateur athletic organizations especially hockey, and many other charities, most notably, the Queen Elizabeth Hospital. As well he has *memberships* in various Armed Forces and Naval Associations, Horsebreeders and Harness Racing Associations, and *Directorships* in Charlottetown Driving Park, PEI Horse Owners Association, the Atlantic Institute of Biotechnology and PEI Food Technology Centre.

His resume is full and we are very happy to recognize Harris' contributions and achievements.