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Halifax Fire introduces new state-of-the-art Fire Station design



New Fire Station official Gravel Turning Ceremony

by Bruce Holland

The new Station 62 Fire Station in Harrietsfield is a new design that was developed in collaboration with various stakeholders and is a “State of the Art” multi-purpose facility which will serve the community as well.

At the recent sod turning ceremony (well, it was actually gravel turning) Halifax Fire Chief, Ken Stuebing, said

“We are excited about being part of the community. This is the first station we built using an inclusive design strategy. We employed a long consultation process with our stakeholders before finalizing the design.”

“The station has been built with the safety of our staff and community users in mind and includes a wellness concept”, said Chief Stuebing.

Deputy Chief Corey Beals, said, “It was important for us to connect with the community, it’s vision and its values, and to make the station accessible to the community.”

The new station includes space for community events and meetings and is equipped with back-up power to use as an Emergency Shelter if necessary.

Spryfield Farmers’ Market adapting to Covid crisis

Spryfield Farmers Market has been busy adopting the health recommendations imposed on farmers markets due to COVID-19 and while we are not preparing to open in-person yet, we are finding new ways to connect and support our market community.

The first Spryfield Farmers Market Online Social was hosted on June 7th. This provided an opportunity for some of our vendors to be available to chat with market goers about their products, give out ordering details, and provide information. We also featured two new musicians to the market, Gizelle de Guzman and Keats Conlon. Videos from this social are available on our social media. Join us in these interactive social events every second Sunday from 12:30 – 2:00 pm for an opportunity to meet market vendors, learn new skills, and hear great music in a relaxed environment.

Next online socials: July 5, July 19, August 2 through Zoom. Information can be found under spryfieldmarket.ca/events

Calling all artists! The Spryfield Farmers Market has launched a design contest! We are looking for a design to feature on our 2020 Spryfield Farmers Market Tote Bag! Local artists are welcome to provide hand drawn or computer designed

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submissions, max. 10" x 10", that promote our theme: Nothing BEETS Spryfield. (A combination of Spryfield Proud and Farmers Markets). We have three age categories in which you can enter: youth, adults, and "young at heart". Pictures can either be uploaded through our website or dropped off at Brendan Maguire's office, before August 3, 2020. Once the designs have been received; the battle begins! The designs will be featured on the Spryfield Farmers Market social media platforms where the public will get to vote for the semi-finalists. Be part of the action by entering a design and/or



voting for your favourite! Full contest rules can be found on our website.

We look forward to seeing you this summer, either in person at our markets, or through our online social

events. We can always be reached through our website: spryfieldmarket.ca or by email: spryfieldmarket-board@gmail.com.

Crossing the Canadian Border

by Tangelene Ramsay

Towards the end of May I was required to come to Spryfield to care for my eldest offspring after surgery. They were having surgery on their knee and would need assistance for the first couple of weeks as they would be wearing a brace and using crutches. As I am currently residing in Connecticut, that meant a trip over the border. For those of you who question how seriously our country takes this virus, let me share my experience with you.

Before coming north, I called the border authorities in New Brunswick, since that is where I would cross into Canada. I wanted to make sure I would be able to cross and find out exactly what was required of me. They told me that I needed proof of Canadian citizenship, and a valid reason for the trip. They also informed

me of the 14-day isolation requirement.

When I got to the border, the car was strip searched, my Canadian and American passports taken from me, and I was required to have a phone conversation with a Canadian health administrator. I had to explain my plans for isolation, and my reason for coming into Canada. Border security took down my name, phone number, and the address of the place in which I was planning on doing my 14-day isolation. Finally, they handed me back my passports, gave me a legal document explaining my responsibilities and the penalty if I fail to follow the rules, reminded me to avoid contact with anyone for the rest of my trip, and sent me on my way.

The next checkpoint was the New Brunswick/Nova Scotia border. All

traffic is being stopped at the Information Centre where border security has a tent set up. As I had already spoken with a health administrator and had my legal warning paperwork in hand, they let me through with very few questions.

Finally, I arrived at my destination. Over the next 14 days I would receive two phone calls from the Canadian health authority, two emails from the health authority, and two visits from the Halifax Police verifying that I was following the isolation orders. Questions were asked during each phone call and visit such as how do I get groceries and other necessities, how do I get fresh air, have I had any visitors, etc.

As unsettling as it can be to have the police show up at your door
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Black Lives Matter

by Leanne Bryan

Rallying together to support change Spryfield, NS – hundreds of members of the community rallied together on June 17th in support of the global Anti-Racism and Black Lives Matter movement happening around our globe. The rally, which was hosted outside the Captain William Spry Community Centre, highlighted the impact of individual and systemic racism that continues to happen in our province and, more specifically, right here in Spryfield. The peaceful protestors brought signs to the rally joined together in chanting “Black Lives Matter”. The rally highlighted ways we can move forward together to make tangible changes in our homes, our community, and in our workplaces. Speakers took the mic and led the crowd in prayer and song, and shared their experiences with anti-black rac-

ism, calling on non-black people to continue to show their support to effect change and put a stop to racism here in Nova Scotia. Venessa Brooks of Chebucto Heights Elementary School sang ‘Lift Every Voice and Sing’ and encouraged everyone to sing along. Brooks said she always felt a connection to the song, but it has taken on a new meaning in recent weeks. Racism is happening and the time for change is now.



Crossing

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randomly, it is comforting to know that the province of Nova Scotia is taking the threat of Covid-19 seriously and keeping a close watch on those of us coming from infected areas.

Going back to the states after my child was capable of getting around on their own again, I was stopped at the provincial border by the New Brunswick security services. They took down all of my driver’s license information as well as my car’s license plate number and my phone

number. As they let me go, they reminded me of the New Brunswick quarantine laws and asked that I try to avoid coming in contact with other people as I traveled through their province on my way to the border.

As you can see from this experience, Canada is taking this pandemic seriously, and the fines for disregarding the quarantine can range into the hundreds of thousands of dollars and/or jail time. For me, I stayed put because it was the right thing to do for the community.

DISCOVERING OUR PAST

Ships carrying diseased crew and passengers quarantined in Northwest Arm

by Iris V. Shea

During the first half of the 19th century, Halifax coped with a number of infectious diseases, most often brought to the city by ships from another country. Melville Island in the Northwest Arm seemed to be the place of choice to send immigrants suffering from contagious diseases. Treatment of these diseases was not part of the Chief Health Officer's budget and health care personnel petitioned the House of Assembly to receive payment for their services. In May 1818, Dr. John F. Gschwind ordered 38 emigrants suffering from Smallpox from their vessel to Melville Island. For one month, he provided medical aid and assistance as required. In February 1819, he was still waiting to be paid his promised remuneration.

In the 1840s, ships arriving in Halifax with sick passengers were ordered to anchor off Melville Island. In an attempt to treat and isolate contagious diseases, passengers and crew remained on board under quarantine. On August 6, 1846, the Health Officer, Dr. Mathew Matthias Hoffman, ordered "Vesuvius", a ship from Vera Cruz, to anchor off Melville Island when 24 cases of Yellow Fever were discovered. On the voyage from Vera Cruz, its surgeon and eight men died from the disease. Dr. Hoffman made seven visits to the quarantined vessel near Melville Island but had to petition the House of Assembly for his pay of 7 Pounds.

On May 29, 1847, the Acadian Recorder reported, "upwards of 850 Emigrants from Ireland have arrived at this port within the last fortnight. The numbers have been diminished by some deaths and others are suffering under severe illness at Richmond where a temporary hospital has been provided for their relief since their arrival." Health Officers in Halifax confirmed that several extreme cases of Typhus Fever were sent to Richmond Hospital in north-end Halifax and several others were still in the city. In addition to this news, the arrival of another vessel carrying nearly 100 passengers, several of whom were suffering from Typhus, alarmed Halifax citizens. Efforts were soon underway to send the fever victims outside the city in an attempt to halt the spread of the disease at the Garrison and to the inhabitants of Halifax.

The buildings on Melville Island, the same used by the British Admiralty for prisoners of war from 1803 to 1815, were chosen as a temporary quarantine hospital and on May 27, 1847, the fever victims were transferred from Richmond to Melville Island Fever Hospital. Once again, Dr. Mathew Matthias Hoffman was in charge and convinced Mary Fitzgerald, a nurse, to become Matron and to help care for the infected patients on Melville Island. The Board of Health reported to the House of Assembly in



Dr. Mathew Matthias Hoffman was Halifax's Health Officer during the 1840s, in charge of the Quarantine Station on Melville Island. Photo courtesy Nova Scotia Archives

October 1847 that 203 patients were admitted to the Fever Hospital, 37 of whom had died, the majority being elderly. One hundred and sixty three were "discharged cured" and 10 were transferred to "Convalescent Asylums for the Poor". Those who died were most likely buried on Deadman's Island. Nurse Fitzgerald petitioned the House of Assembly for her wages.

Disease became rampant once again in April 1866. A cholera epidemic was raging in Europe when the Cunard steamer "England", carrying 1202 passengers, left Liverpool, England, bound for New York. Local

newspapers reported, "The vessel had passed through Cholera atmosphere while on its way across the Atlantic and thus the passengers contracted the disease". The ship, diverted to Halifax, put the citizens of the city on the alert. The Northwest Arm was much too close for this disease-laden ship and it was kept in waters off McNab's Island, not far from Ferguson's Cove. Infected passengers were taken to a temporary Quarantine Station (referred to in newspapers as a Plague ship) near McNab's Island. Eight passengers decided, in a panic,

to seize a small boat and escape from the Plagueship. They were pursued and arrested by local constables who feared the men may be infected with the disease and cause it to spread to nearby communities. About 200 passengers died from the disease.

The following statement appeared in the Acadian Recorder, April 17, 1866: "We deeply regret that on Sunday symptoms of the contagion appeared in Ferguson's Cove, and all doubts as to the character of the disease were removed by the death of the person attached the same day, under strong choleric symptoms. The authorities have had their attention drawn to the case, and have, we believe, adopted prompt sanitary regulations and precautions in the hope of stopping the progress of the plague in the district". Records show that three members of one Portuguese Cove family...57 year old James Terent and his two young daughters, Elizabeth, aged 5 and Mary, aged 3, succumbed to the disease. On that same day, the Acadian Recorder announced the following sad news: "Dr. John Slayter died this morning. He took ill yesterday morning, and sank rapidly. This new feature in the pestilential calamity has touched all hearts with profound sorrow for the loss of a brave physician, who went calmly and courageously to his post of duty, and died in his effects to stay the plague from spreading to the city". The following death announcement declared... "On Tuesday morning, at the Quarantine Station, McNab's Island, John H. Slayter, M. D. in the 37th year of his age, leaving a wife and five children to mourn their sad bereavement".

On April 19, SS England, thoroughly fumigated, sailed off to New York with its remaining passengers. The "plague" at McNab's Quarantine Station was diminishing rapidly and, in a few days, would cease entirely. The citizens of Halifax could breathe a sigh of relief.

Patty Cuttell launches Municipal Election campaign

Community planner and advocate to run in District 11 Spryfield-Sambro Loop-Prospect Road

Patty Cuttell, Executive Director of Halifax's North End Business Association (NEBA), officially launched her campaign for the Fall 2020 Halifax Regional Municipality election today.

Joining the race in a field of now 11 candidates, she feels the time is right and her experience offers residents the strongest choice for their next Councillor. "As an urban planner and most recently as NEBA's executive director, I have spent my entire career advocating for people and communities," says Cuttell. "It's time

to make our communities work for everyone. District 11 is my home and I have the experience, knowledge, and energy to be District 11's next Councillor."

The district is made up of a variety of vibrant and diverse communities. Its sprawling coastlines, beautiful lakes and hiking trails, unique neighbourhoods, and blend of lifelong residents and newcomers make it a wonderful place to live. "I love where I live, and I know there is great pride across this district. I have had the chance to chat with several residents in preparation for this launch and there are a lot of passionate people

who care about the place they call home. It's what we have in common, which is why I want to represent them and be their ear and voice on Council," says Cuttell.

Her campaign priorities will focus on advocating for the district, protecting the environment, strengthening communities, growing the local economy, celebrating culture and heritage, and building liveable communities.

For more information visit www.pattycuttell.com. Follow Patty's campaign on social media: Facebook: @pattycuttell11 Instagram: pattycuttell11 Twitter: @pattycuttell11

Religious Services Directory for July

****To have your church/synagogue/mosque added to our directory, please contact the editor: chebuctoeditor@gmail.com by July 8 for August's issue****

PLEASE NOTE THAT DUE TO COVID-19, MANY OF THESE SERVICES MAY BE POSTPONED OR CANCELLED. CALL AHEAD TO CHECK WITH YOUR CHURCH.

- St. Augustine's Anglican Church** (2010 Purcell's Cove Rd)
Service of Holy Communion every Sunday at 10 am
- City Church** (276 Herring Cove Road)
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- Spryfield Christian Community Church** (91 Thornhill Dr)
Church services Sunday 11-12 am
- Oromo Gospel Church**
Sunday worship service: 3 pm and Tuesday prayer: 10 am.
- Emmanuel Anglican Church** (322 Herring Cove Rd.)
We will be reopening our church for gathered worship on Sunday, June 28, under fairly controlled conditions which will maintain physical distancing and allow for cleaning. Our regular service hours will change. Services will be:
8:00 am for a quiet, contemplative, traditional service of Holy Communion and
10:30 am for a contemporary communion service with some music (but no congregational singing at this point).
We will continue to livestream our worship on Facebook live (Emmanuel Anglican Church) and via our webpage.
If you wish to come to one of our services, please email the church (emmanuelchurch@eastlink.ca) or call 902-477-1783, so we can be sure we do not exceed government guidelines for distancing and maximum gathering number of 50. If we have more, we can add services to accommodate everyone but please do let us know to avoid disappointment and embarrassment (or breaking the law and public safety guidelines)
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- Stella Maris Church**
St Michael's Catholic Church (6 St Michael's Ave, Spryfield)
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- St Paul's Catholic Church** (137 Hebridean Dr., Herring Cove)
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- St John the Baptist Catholic Church** (Purcell's Cove Rd.)
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From The Editor's Desk

Watching the events of the past month unfold, I knew I wanted to say something to our readers. But, as I sat at my computer, I couldn't find the right words to express my feelings at the senseless killing of yet another person of colour, and another Indigenous person. As a white person, I will never know what it means to be afraid of the people who are supposed to protect you, simply because of the colour of your skin. However, I will also not sit silently by and watch it happen. Again and again. I will continue to use my voice to say Black Lives Matter. Indigenous Lives Matter. And we must not stop fighting for those who can't fight for themselves. Together we are stronger. Together we can make the changes we want to see in this world.

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A tribute to Eric Caines

by Bruce Holland

When I first met Eric Caines, I was not sure what to make of him. It was in 2009 and I had just accepted the position of Executive Director with the Spryfield Business Commission where Eric's father Cecil (the two were coworkers in the family business) was the Treasurer. For the first couple of years, because the Business Commission had no office, we would meet in Cecil's office, so I spent considerable time with Eric as well. Our mutual love of hockey and sports in general gave us lots to talk about, especially because Eric loved to coach hockey and he knew that I had played double "A" midget hockey as a teenager and that was the level he coached. He also knew I ran and played in the Prospect Road Gentlemen's Hockey League, which I think garnered me a little respect in Eric's eyes as well. Two years later Eric became the Treasurer of the Business Commission and the rest as they say, "Is history", we became the best of friends, business partners (in the Parkview News) and a listening post to each other!

Eric and I went on to volunteer on many projects together including the development and creation of the Long Lake Provincial Park, the Spryfield Harvest Festival, the Spryfield Days Festival, Long Lake Provincial Park, and several others. Eric, along with numerous Business Commission Members, volunteered each year at the



Sambro Days Festival and the Shay and MacKay Memorial Fishing Derby.

Beyond his family, career, and community involvement, hockey was Eric's passion in life, proudly cheering on the Canadiens and the Mooseheads. Having played in his youth for Chebucto Minor Hockey, he loved hockey his entire life. This is where Eric made yet another difference, by coaching for Chebucto Minor Hockey

for over 25 years. His journey as a coach began when his two stepsons, Kyle and Brad wanted to play hockey. As the boys outgrew minor hockey, Eric remained committed to Chebucto Minor Hockey as a coach, coaching and mentoring youth of all ages and levels. Having taken many teams to Provincials and Championships, Eric's legacy has been permanently etched in the spirit of Chebucto Minor Hockey and for his dedication and involvement with the Kyle Henneberry Memorial Hockey Tournament. As if this was not enough, Eric also sat on the Board of the Lion's Rink, devoting hundreds of hours to the Rink.

As you can see, Eric was a devoted community advocate who would roll up his sleeves and be the first in line to make things happen and get things done. The one thing we did together that will always be etched in my memory, because we had so much fun doing it, was our annual trip to Sambro each year to fetch the lobsters for the Business Commissions Annual Festive Dinner! Eric was always beaming with a great big smile

on his face as we pulled the crates up out of the water (and he did not even eat lobster)!

Eric graduated from J. L. Ilsley High School, in 1991 and began working for Cemanco Properties Ltd. The same year, he renovated and completed the new home of the Royal Bank of Canada, Herring Cove Road Branch, where he became the building manager. In 1992, Eric's father joined him and together they grew and expanded the business, managing several condominium projects and other family owned commercial buildings.

Eric had many special people in his life including his loving wife, Christine A. (Henneberry), his Mom and Dad, Cecil and Doreen Caines, his mother-in-law, Linda Keating, whom he adored (and sadly passed away shortly after Eric) his son, Brad Henneberry and Brad's wife Hannah, younger brother, Brian, and little sister, Suzanne and her husband Jeff, aunts and uncles, including his Godmother, Donna, and Uncle John, with whom he was very close. Eric loved his special nieces, Justine and Anna, and special nephew, William, as well as numerous cousins, especially Todd and Sean, and his right-hand man, Peter Mowat.

In honour of Eric's memory the Spryfield Business Commission has renamed our annual J. L. Ilsley Scholarship the Eric Caines Memorial Scholarship Award and the Long Lake Park Association has agreed to name a section of trail after Eric.

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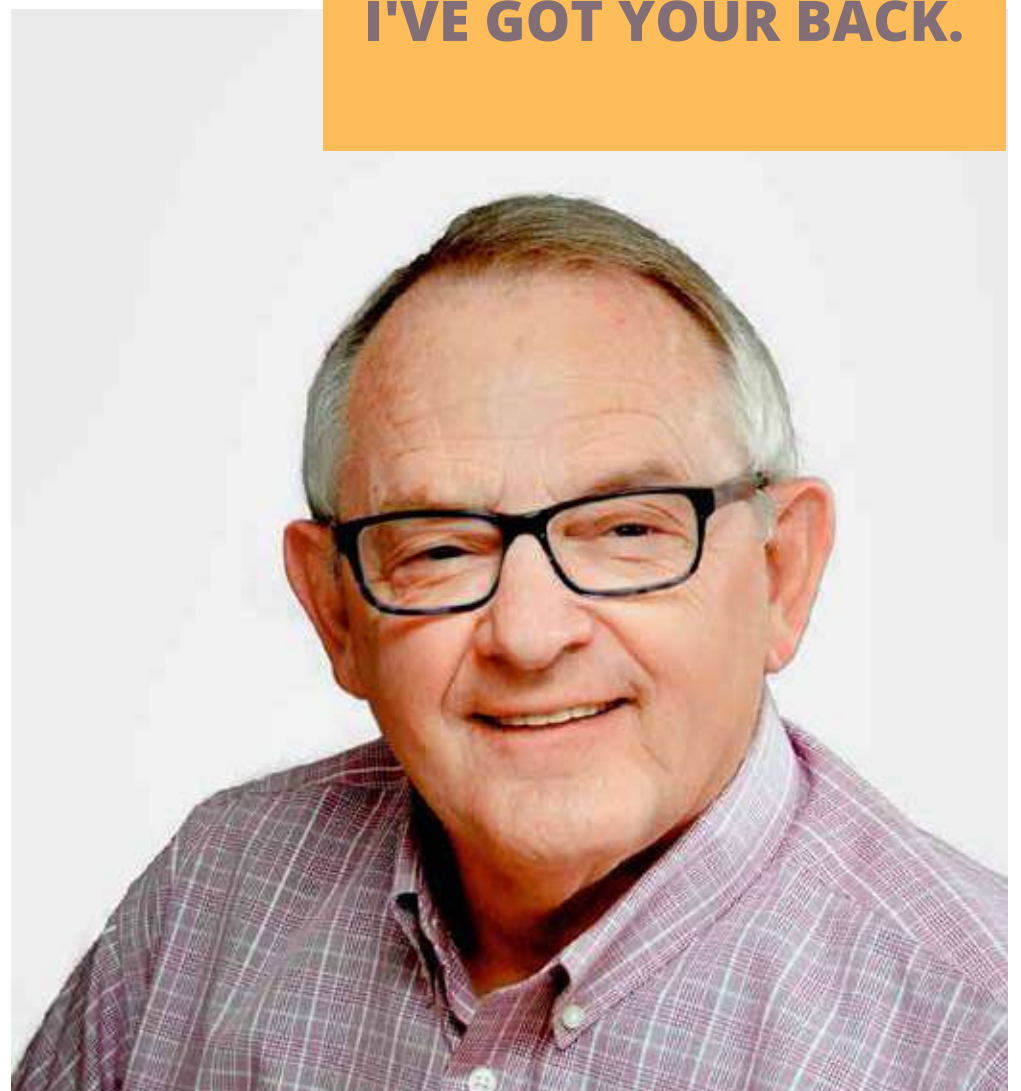
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Herring Cove Breakwater repairs update

 Atlantic Pilotage Authority / Administration de pilotage de l'Atlantique

by Captain Sean Griffiths
Chief Executive Officer
Atlantic Pilotage Authority

As you might be aware from our two previous Herring Cove Town Hall meetings in the fall of 2019, it was our intention to repair the breakwater at the end of Shore Drive this spring.

We began by posting a tender notice in mid-February, requesting bids. Several parties were interested and we received a proposal just prior to the COVID-19 pandemic. This proposal would have resulted in significant vehicular traffic (heavy trucking) throughout Herring Cove – specifically Shore Road.

We were also informed that a Halifax Water project is planned to take place in the same area, which will add to the traffic congestion and noise. These factors have compelled us to re-tender this project to determine if there is an economically acceptable alternative where the materials for the repair can be delivered via barge, and thus limiting the activity on Shore Road.

Once all options are known, the Authority will decide which path forward is the most advantageous to all parties. If the breakwater repair must be conducted using Shore Road, we may have an opportunity to coordinate with the municipality on a water/

sewer upgrade project, limiting the disruption to one timeline. The current pandemic has added additional challenges which may affect the timing of the repairs, but these impacts are unknown at this time.

Sammy says



With the cancellation of this year's annual Sambro Sou'Wester Days festival, SACA is exploring new ways to continue to raise funds in a way that keeps everyone safe and healthy. It's important that we keep moving forward with our fundraising efforts, since we anticipate the opportunity to acquire the fire station on West Penant Road when it is decommissioned. We want to ensure we have sufficient funds to renovate and maintain it as a community centre.

We are reassured by our engineering firm's assessment of the current state of the breakwater and its wave analysis of the area that the cove will still be protected from excessive wave activity. To keep everyone safe, we

will continue to have the breakwater closed off to the public until the repairs are completed.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns with the above.
Tel: 902-426-2553 Email: sgriffiths@atlanticpilotage.com.

We've set up an online 50/50 draw where tickets can be purchased up until July 14th at <https://www.rafflebox.ca/raffle/Sambro>. The draw will take place at Mishoo's Variety in Sambro on July 15th. The winner will be contacted to arrange for delivery of half the funds raised.

This is our first online fundraiser, and if all goes well, we'll do more of them. One of our planned future draws will be for a beautiful hand crafted quilt, generously donated by Ellyn Jennison. Follow @SACApge on Facebook



for winners and upcoming draws.

Sammy Sambro is SACA's mischievous mascot. You can follow him on Twitter, Instagram and Facebook.



NEWS & VIEWS

from the desk of
Bruce Holland

Current public health information can be seen at www.canada.ca/coronavirus. The province's site for all things COVID is <https://novascotia.ca/CoronaVirus/> Information on programs for individual and businesses can be found at <https://www.canada.ca/en/department-finance/economic-response-plan.html>

LOCAL BUSINESSES
Many local businesses have reopened, with adjustments. Please support them while following new protocols. They need our help now more than ever to be able to recover economically from COVID related closures.

SPRYFIELD FARMERS MARKET
On June 7, the market opened up for its 5th season, for now as a virtual market operating every other Sunday. There is still space for new vendors and volunteers to create a special local market atmosphere. Visit <https://www.spryfieldmarket.ca> and click on "Get Involved" to apply.

SCHOLARSHIP
We were pleased to recently announce that our annual \$500 scholarship to J.L. Ilsley High School has been renamed in honour of the late Eric Caines. Eric was a business owner, hockey coach, tireless community leader and volunteer, and devoted family man. Eric graduated from J.L. Ilsley in 1991 and dedicated his life to making this community a better place, before passing away on May 2, 2020.
We are accepting donations for the scholarship, and in future if sufficient funds are raised, we will expand to offer multiple scholarships. To make a donation, contact bruce@discover-spryfield.ca.

WORKPLACE EDUCATION
Our free training programs with the Department of Labour and Advanced Education continued throughout the pandemic by presenting them online. When it's safe to do so, we will switch back to in classroom training. What programs would you like to see offered in the future? Our next training will be a WordPress 2 Intermediate Training Course and a Social Media Marketing for Business course, beginning



CBDC BLUE WATER
CBDC Blue Water's remote business assistance continues. Contact their Senior Business Development Officer, Alayne Jackson at 902-889-7523 or email alayne.jackson@cbdc.ca to see how they can help you.

RURAL BUS SERVICE UPDATE
The SBC Board of Directors has completed every requirement asked of us to introduce a Rural Bus Service in the Spryfield/Sambro/Ketch Harbour area. The Province has approved the necessary funding to start the service and we are awaiting approval from Halifax Transit/HRM to provide the additional funding necessary to enable it to go ahead with the pilot. We hope to introduce the new Chebucto Transit Service and begin to operate in the Fall, perhaps around Labour Day, provided the funding is approved.
We are seeking community minded members of the general public to sit on a steering committee that will eventually take over the management/operation of the Rural Bus from the Spryfield Business Commission. If this is something that interests you, please give me a call or send me an e-mail.
We will continue to share the progress on this project as it unfolds.

MEMBER HIGHLIGHT
I had the chance to speak with Mr. Kurshid A. Khan of Brother Khurshid's Halal Shack, located at 5 Hartlen Avenue. Mr. Khan was one of the first people to sell Halal in Nova Scotia back in the 1980s. They offer South Asian and Middle Eastern food, and catering for all occasions. Call (902) 221-2754 or follow their Facebook page at BrotherKhurshidHalalShack.
I'd love to hear your questions, comments and ideas. Please e-mail me at bruce@discover-spryfield.ca.
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My philosophy is, you're never too old to do something.

- Rosie



A Retirement Residence

The Spryfield Urban Farm, a birder's view Photos: Joshua Barss Donham

by Joshua Barss Donham

Strolling up the driveway at the Urban Farm, I am greeted by the bright bubbling call of a song sparrow. He is always perched in the same bush, his chest puffed up for all the world to see. As I draw up level with the first flower bed he retreats into the cover of the shrubs, and starts his single note 'chip, chip, chip' as though he is scolding me. There is slight movement in the flower bed as the female sparrow bounds into the air to join her mate in the cover of the shrubs. Song sparrows are nesting in the front flower garden again.

Gardeners putting in a new monarch flower bed near the edge of the woods often heard the sounds of woodpeckers drumming on branches. Just as songbirds sing to establish their territories and attract mates, woodpeckers drum, repeatedly striking wood with their bill. The woods at the farm are mostly mature hardwood; many live trees with dead branches which is the perfect habitat for woodpeckers. A pair of yellow-shafted flickers, named for the bright yellow shafts of their wing and tail feathers, have

taken up residence in an old maple in the heart of the woods. Woodpeckers are heard less often now as we move into summer; with their nesting sites established, they spend their time gathering food for their young.

Now, the farm rings with the sounds of songbirds. One of the most vocal is the catbird, a close relative of the mockingbird. Like their cousins, catbirds incorporate the sounds of other birds in their own songs. They also produce many sounds of their own, including a distinctive peculiar wailing that somewhat resembles a cat's meowing. The catbird's Latin name is *Dometella*, which means "thicket dweller". There are a pair of catbirds at the farm this year, nesting somewhere deep in the impenetrable tangle of brambles that borders much of the farm.

During hurricane Dorian last fall, the oldest apple tree on the farm, planted in 1840, was partially knocked over. It was left as is, and this spring was the first of the apple trees to bloom. In May, a flock of Cedar waxwings descended on the old tree and settled in to delicately pluck petals



A gray catbird, whose Latin name means "thicket dweller", keeps to the cover of the dense shrubs that surround the farm

from blossoms and eat them. Exquisite soft looking, dusky brown and grey birds, waxwings are so named because the tips of their wing feathers, bright red, look as if they have been dipped in sealing wax. Waxwings love fruit, and as they migrate north in the spring, before even the earliest berries have developed, they rely in part on flowers to sustain themselves. Especially fond of apple blossoms, the waxwings continued to visit the apple trees, until all but the last of the petals had fallen to the ground.

Fulton Lavender, a highly regarded

birder from Spryfield, gave a talk at the Urban Farm a few years back where he listed 43 species of birds that could be seen on the farm in the month of July. As the Saskatoon berry bushes begin fruiting this month, we may catch a glimpse of a reclusive hermit thrush. As the bee balm starts blossoming, ruby-throated hummingbirds will begin showing up in the garden. The Urban Farm is host to a multitude of wildlife and is a welcome reminder to us city dwellers that we are actually part of a large and varied community of species.



Cedar waxwing, one of a large flock, feeding on apple blossoms in the tree planted in 1840



Northern yellow-shafted flickers have taken up residence in one of the maples at the Spryfield Urban Farm

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LOCAL OBITUARIES

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Gladys Jean Marryatt

84, Halifax, passed away peacefully on May 14, 2020 at the Halifax Infirmiry. Born in Halifax, she was a daughter of the late Edith May Sweet (Dicken) and Gordon Sweet. She was a long-time member of Brunswick Street United Church, being married there on June 14, 1958. Mom will always be remembered fondly by many family and friends far and near as she touched their lives with her thoughtful cards. Surviving are loving daughter Pearl (Andrew Flemings) Halifax; granddaughter Kendra Gail Flemings, the light of her life; sister in-laws Margaret (Day) Sweet, Halifax, Kathleen (Marryatt) Caspersen, Massachusetts; brother in-law Harold Marryatt, Lower Sackville. She is predeceased by her husband, Kenneth Sylvester Marryatt, April 3, 2010; brother, Kenneth and sister-in-law Bernadette (Branch) Sweet; sister, Freda "Sylvia" Slaunwhite; brother Gerald Sweet; and a twin brother and sister in infancy. Words of comfort may be sent to the family by visiting www.walkerfh.com. We are forever grateful and thankful to all Northwood home support workers, VON, doctors, paramedics, the Halifax Infirmiry and our devoted family, friends and

neighbors. To place words of comfort and condolence, you may visit www.walkerfh.com

Linda Ann Keating

Age 71, Halifax, sadly passed away on May 21, 2020 at Halifax Infirmiry, QEII. Born in Halifax, she was a daughter of the late Earl and Mary (Deveaux) Harding. Linda loved life to the fullest and always had a contagious smile and many laughs. She would often say "Laughter is the best medicine" and to laugh every day. She would remind those who loved her dearly that she was a "Boxing Day Baby". Mom was everyone's best friend, and a second mom to many. She was especially fond of the young fellas, they were her boyfriends. Her most precious was her grandson, Brad and her late grandson, Kyle. Linda (Momma Bear) is survived by daughters, Christine Henneberry and Darlene Langevine (Peter); sister, Louise Butcher; brothers, David, Donnie, Ronnie and Roger; grandson, Brad (Hannah); and several nieces and nephews. Predeceased by brothers, Kenny, George and Gary; sister, Nancy; grandson, Kyle and son-in-law, Eric Caines. The family would like to express gratitude to those who provided Linda with great care during her illness, VON Halifax, Closing the Gap, 7.4 Palliative Care, QEII. Earth Angels, Rhonda Gray, Wanda, Gail and Allison. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Muscular Dystrophy Association or the Salvation Army. To leave a message for the family, visit her tribute wall at www.walkerfh.com.

Sharon Goyetche

Age 71, Williamswood, passed away June 10, 2020 at the Halifax Infirmiry, QEII. Born in Halifax, she was a daughter of the late John William (Jack) and Loena Lawrence. She is survived by her loving husband, Glenn; sons, Mark and Bradley; Twin sister, Sheila Lawrence; brother, John (Lorraine) Lawrence; granddaughter, Macy Marolyn Goyetche (her mother, Jennifer); many nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by nephew Troy Probert. Words of comfort and condolence can be sent to the family by visiting www.walkerfh.com.

Virginia MacDonald

Age 85, of Spryfield, formerly of Sunny Brae, Pictou County, passed away peacefully on June 4, 2020, with her daughter by her side at the Halifax Hospice. Virginia was the daughter of the late Finlay H. MacDonald and Mary Ann (nee Somerville). Virginia started her career in New Glasgow, hired by her cousin, Henry R. Thompson, where she learned the value of money, payroll and financial

responsibility. She went on to work as a payroll clerk for Sobey's in their head office in Stellarton, the town where she met the love of her life, the late Daniel William MacDonald. She and Dad married in 1957, moved and settled in Spryfield, Nova Scotia, to begin their matrimonial life. It is there where she began her most valued career as a homemaker, wife and mother of two children. Virginia is lovingly remembered as an associate working in ladieswear at "The Met" in the Spryfield Mall in the 1970's. Virginia thoroughly enjoyed those years and fondly remembered her colleagues and regular customers who came in to say hello. Mum was diagnosed with cancer in the Spring of 2016, and she handled the news and her transition on her journey with strength, courage and positivity. She was never one to complain and always had the motto of taking things "one day at a time". To capture her beauty in a few simple words seems impossible, but to those who knew her, they felt her positive outlook through her smile and words. The courage she displayed throughout her illness was an amazing thing to witness. She rarely complained and she continued to carry herself with grace, and share her beautiful sense of humor. Mum easily taught us so much about life, love, family and the strength in the power of positive thinking. She was always looking on the bright side of things. She loved bingo, and was able to convince many of her family members to attend at least one bingo night with her. Mum also enjoyed a good ole game of crib or 45's with her husband and family. Mum's spirit will live on in those who share her love of gamesmanship and community connection. Virginia is survived by her son, Paul (Andrea) MacDonald; daughter, Jane (Scott) Stevens; grandchildren, Jordan Ash (Danielle), Nadine MacDonald; twin granddaughters, Jennifer and Nicole MacDonald; brothers Gerald MacDonald and Judge Clyde MacDonald, both of New Glasgow and sister-in-law, Colette MacDonald of Ottawa, several nieces and nephews, who she absolutely adored. Virginia also felt blessed to have gained two "honourary grand-daughters" when Jane married Scott. Kaylee Stevens and Maggie Stevens, and two "honourary great-grandsons", Leif Stevens and Thorin Stevens, brought much joy to Virginia's life. Virginia was predeceased by her parents, her sisters Marion Carney and Nancy Raymond, brother Reginald and infant sibling Alice Diane. Just six short months ago, her husband Daniel was called home and Virginia has now gone to join him. Special thanks to Mum's Oncologist, Dr. Alwin Jeyakumar and Nurse Kim Poirier who followed and supported Mum through her journey. Their encouraging and gentle nature was so appreciated by Mum and her daughter as they attended and dis-

cussed the next steps and options of treatment, always taking the time to recognize her strength and resilience throughout this time. In lieu of flowers, donations in Virginia's memory can be sent to Clyde Macdonald, secretary treasurer of the Sunny Brae War Memorial Society, at 140 Temperance St., New Glasgow, NS B2H 3A7. The family also requests that you please consider donating personal items to aid in the care of the residents at the Halifax Hospice, a non-profit organization. A list of commonly required items can be found at halifaxhospice.ca. Mum, you are an angel watching over us. We will never forget you and we will always miss you. We are so happy that you are with Dad again. We wish we had more time, but we take comfort in knowing you are at peace with the love of your life. Words of comfort and condolence can be sent to the family by visiting www.walkerfh.com.

Roland Earl Rose

Age 74, Halifax, passed away peacefully with his children at his side, June 13, 2020 at the Halifax Infirmiry, QEII. Born in Hermitage, Newfoundland, he was the son of the late Thomas and Olive (Rose) Rose. After moving to Halifax in the early 70's, Roland joined the Department of Fisheries with the Coast Guard, and retired in 2008 after 35 years of service. Roland was a loving father, grandfather and brother. During his working career, when Roland was home from sea, his life was devoted to his children, never missing an opportunity to spend quality time with them. This characteristic persisted as his grandchildren were brought into his life. He spent many hours looking after his grandchildren when they were young and attending many concerts, recitals, and sports games as they got older. He never wanted to miss an opportunity to cheer on his grandkids. Roland loved walking in the woods for hours with his beloved dog Joy. In addition to his wonderful sense of humour and compassionate spirit, he had the patience of a saint, and was loved by all who met him. Roland was an active member of Emmanuel Anglican Church for over 45 years, and enjoyed many activities such as darts, crib, and dancing. He is survived by his children Marsha Drysdale (Richard), and Jonathan Rose (Shelley) both of Bedford; grandchildren, Sarah Drysdale and Brady and Luke Rose; sister Rubena Daigle (Gordon) Orillia, Ont. brothers Garfield, Dartmouth; Lindsay (Alma) and Louis (Elsie), both of Hermitage, NL; and numerous nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his wife, Linda (Lilly) Rose and sister Bernice Crant. Memorial donations can be made to Emmanuel Anglican Church, Spryfield. Words of comfort and condolence can be sent to the family by visiting www.walkerfh.com.



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Volunteer firefighters to retain stipend

by Stephen Adams, HRM Councillor, District 11

On June 9th, Council approved our second budget of the year. This budget, which included both our capital and operating budgets, differed significantly from our previous budget. And the exercise to get to this point was extensive. When all was done, Council reduced our budget by \$45 million. All departments had to cut back, so that we could make our goal and keep the tax rate to a reasonable level.

These cuts will have little, if any, effect on our area from a capital perspective. Our fire station in Williamswood is moving along quite nicely, and is still on budget. The extensive (and very inconvenient) work on Herring Cove Road is continuing, with a completion date set for late July. I have received many calls and emails about this work, and have sent them to our staff. The scheduled repaving of Juniper and Ivylea Crescents are on track, as are the scheduled road repairs covered in a previous issue.

From a capital perspective, new playground equipment has been delayed as a result of border concerns and issues (for example, a new swing was planned for Hartlen Playground: however, delays within the supply chain prevented this installation).

The beginning of the budget process had its share of challenges, and some cuts which could have impacted our community in a negative manner. Initially, the recommendations included moving firefighting personnel from our Herring Cove station and relocating some of them to the Eastern Shore. The station would have then been a 24 hour-a-day volunteer service. Although our volunteers are extremely capable, they are not in the station during daytime hours, which lead to a delay in response times.

Speaking of volunteers, there was another recommendation to delete the Volunteer Recognition Program, which would have eliminated their stipend. The total value of this is about \$700,000 which, when spread out amongst our many volunteers, is not a lot of money. However, in this case it's more than just the money. It's the principle.

Once these proposed cuts came to light, I spoke with Fire Chief Ken Stuebing, Deputy Dave Meldrum and Union president Brendan Meagher. At the outset, I made it clear that I was not in favour of these recommendations, and I would work with everyone to find solutions. We discussed options and possible scenarios which would work for every-

one and not compromise the safety of our citizens.

With the guidance of Platoon Captain Jared Doucette, combined with numerous phone calls and emails, we found a \$1.7 million line item in the capital budget related to the fire station on University Avenue. This item was for capital improvements, which could be delayed for a year or two, without compromising the safety of the firefighters in that station. Local Councillor Wayne Mason was agreeable to this shift in funds.

During our budget discussions, the purchase of an Armoured Rescue Vehicle (ARV) was brought forward for discussion. Although the purchase was approved by Council in April of 2019, some Council members wanted to ask questions and get additional information.

In the time leading up to this item, Council received between 700 and 800 emails. The majority of

these were bulk emails. However, there were a number of them which were originals. I appreciated the time residents took to write.

The vote to eliminate this vehicle was 16-1; and I was the dissenting vote. Here is why:

HRP had preliminary discussions regarding the purchase of this vehicle in response to the shootings in Moncton. (In Moncton, the RCMP had to use a Brinks' truck during this incident.) The potential situation at the Halifax Shopping Centre, whereby there were plans for a mass-shooting escalated these discussions. These were thwarted by local authorities. However, the reality that this could happen in Halifax began to set in. In mid-April, we experienced the worst mass-shooting in Canadian history. These events are coming closer to home and are becoming more of a possibility in Halifax.

The following is a quote from one of the emails we received,

"Studies have shown that militarizing police forces, including provisions of armoured vehicles like this one, are highly linked to increases in violence against civilians at the hands of police." The only 'study' I could find was from a blogger in the US. Not much of a study.

There is a way in which to test the quote from above. The RCMP have a Tactical Armoured Vehicle (TAV), which was bought on September of 2012. It is larger than the vehicle HRP had planned to purchase. In these nearly 8 years, not one civilian has endured violence, harm or injury while the TAV was in use. Not one. Let's compare Atlantic Canadian Police forces to draw conclusions, and not base our decisions on the US model.

I want to ensure our officers have the equipment necessary to protect our citizens and themselves. This purchase would have given them the ability to do so.

Next month, I will provide a chronology of RDM; how it came to be, and the processes regarding permits, licenses and other details.

Update from your federal representative

by Andy Fillmore, MP for Halifax

Well, summer has finally come to Nova Scotia, and after a long hibernation of sorts, things are starting to look up.

For now, at the time of writing, it looks like Nova Scotia has made considerable progress in flattening the epidemic curve of COVID-19. The first wave, dare we say, is nearly in our rearview mirror. That's because of the people of Nova Scotia and our commitment to one another.

And while we should commend ourselves for coming through the other side, it was not without loss. There are dozens of families in Halifax who have lost a loved one to this pandemic. Our city mourns with them, and we offer our condolences.

The economic impact has been serious as well. While our government made considerable aid available to thousands of Haligonians and the businesses they rely on, we know the road to recovery will not be easy. But it has begun.

Since my last column, we have introduced new measures to support Canadians, including extending the Canada Emergency Response Benefit for an additional 8 weeks, extending the Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy until August 29, introducing up to \$500 to seniors to cover the increased costs that came with COVID-19, support for students through the Canada Emergency Student Benefit, and soon we will be introducing economic aid to people with disabilities.

To find out if you qualify for any of these benefits, you can visit www.canada.ca/economic-response-plan or contact my constituency office.

In addition to COVID-19, the issue of equity is front of mind right now, as Canada and the world confronts the systemic racism and systemic anti-black racism that plagues our societies.

These are important discussions, but more important is the action that will come from this movement. Dismantling systemic racism in Canada will be hard work, but it is not true that we don't know where to start.

Our work must start with addressing the underlying causes of inequity and injustice in our society. And to that end I was proud to stand

alongside my parliamentary colleague Greg Fergus and over 140 other MPs and Senators from across party lines to endorse 46 calls to action that governments at all levels can and should take to fight systemic racism. I encourage everyone to take a look at the document and its recommendations, and continue to push for change.

As always, if you have any suggestions or concerns you wish to raise with me, I am always available for a chat. Your feedback makes me a better Member of Parliament. Simply contact my office at andy.fillmore@parl.gc.ca or 902-426-8691.

Stay well, stay healthy. And enjoy this summer while it lasts!

Andy



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Stronger together

by the Honourable Lena Metlege Diab, MLA for Halifax Armdale

Happy Canada Day!

I want to wish you all the best as we celebrate our great nation. Our values, history, and incredible diversity make Canada unique in the world. We are truly blessed to call Canada and Nova Scotia home. I am particularly amazed this year by the resiliency and strength of spirit of Nova Scotians. Of course, this year's Canada Day celebrations will look a little different due to the need for physical distancing. Some of us will celebrate together virtually, and others will celebrate at home or with their closest loved ones. But I'm certain we will all celebrate together in saluting our great country.

I would also like to wish each and every Nova Scotian a happy and safe summer. This spring was a very challenging one for our province, our country and the world. I deeply appreciate the hard work all of us put in over the last few months to flatten the curve. The pandemic was difficult for everyone, and I'm happy to see that we are slowly, carefully, and safely returning to something resembling normal again. I was also thrilled to share on June 22 our first day of zero active cases of COVID-19.

Over the coming weeks, I encourage all Nova Scotians to pay special attention to their own mental and physical health. In particular, to reconnect with your families, friends, and loved ones, and to spend time enjoying the outdoors and getting in touch with nature. Take time to exercise, read, relax, and plan and re-centre. It does a world of good for our minds and bodies, and will help address some of the anxiety of the current moment. I encourage you to support local businesses this summer, and to think about taking a "staycation," taking in all that Nova Scotia's tourist destinations have to offer.

I know there is still some uncertainty among parents and families with regards to September. I want to share with you that the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development is actively developing plans for a number of different possibilities for the fall. As of this writing, no decisions have been made. Once they are, they will be based on our local epidemiology. I am happy to share with you that playgrounds and beaches have now officially reopened across the province. Please use common sense, practice good hygiene, and stay safe as you enjoy them.

One thing that is certain for September is that a new student

transportation policy will be in place for students and families. The policy was developed with input from on-line school bus consultation surveys that more than 8,000 Nova Scotians responded to. The student transpor-

"Let's all commit to doing better!"

by Brendan Maguire, MLA for Halifax Atlantic

Black Lives Matter

Wednesday June 17th, hundreds of people in our community came together at the Capt William Spry parking lot to speak, listen and learn about the Black Lives Matter movement.

I got there early and left late, and what I can tell you that it opened my eyes. It made me realize as a leader, there is more I can and must do.

When we hear and see racism, we MUST call it out, we must educate those around us, but we must also remember that being white means that we get to go home and go about our lives. We are not immersed in racism every minute of the day; let's all commit to doing better!

Covid-19 update:

A message from Premier McNeil

"Nova Scotians have been working hard to follow the public health protocols put in place, and it's paying off – it's been well over a week with no new cases of COVID-19 and we are continuing to flatten the curve. Dr. Strang and I are proud of you. So, effective today, June 18, we're 'bursting the bubble.'

Nova Scotians can now gather in groups of 10 without physical distancing. Your group of 10 is not required to be exclusive but we encourage you to maintain a consistent group as much as possible. Gatherings of up to 50 people can now take place, but physical distancing is required. Remember to wash your hands, practice good hygiene and wear a mask when you can't keep your distance or it's necessary.

Go get your hug. You deserve it." **Effective last month, playgrounds are now opened, so get out there with your children and enjoy those playgrounds**

During these trying times, I continued to work on your requests and community needs. Over the next few weeks or so, we will see many of these projects start. Included will be the paving of Bald Rock road, repairs to local bridges, and guard rails installed in some of the most dangerous turns in our communities. We will also see more money to continue repairs at Herring Cove Jr. High, a third parking lot at Crystal Crescent beach, new investments in our public housing, and so much more.

tation policy will ensure that students and pre-primary children who attend an elementary school and live at least 1.6 kilometres away will be eligible for busing. Junior and senior high school students will be eligible if they live 2.4 kilometres away. New communication plans and a new review process will also be introduced. All eligible pre-primary

children will also have access to a school bus. For more information, families can contact their regional centre for education or the Conseil scolaire acadien provincial.

As always, I encourage you to check my Facebook page (@LenaMetlegeDiabNS) for regular updates. Take care of yourselves and have a happy summer!

I am always open to suggestions on what more we can and should do for our communities, please email me at brendan@brendanmaguire.ca

As we enter in to the summer season, please remember use precaution and safety measures while enjoying our lakes and ocean.

I am so proud of all of you, this has been a difficult few months, but because of your hard work we have gotten through this.

As a thank you and a way to celebrate the expansion of community events, I will be having FREE ice cream socials in our communities. Keep an eye out in your local communities, see you out there.

Lastly I know it has been a rough year for our graduates, you will all miss out on a traditional celebrations. It was brought to my attention

that your graduation would be without gowns and caps. I thought that was unacceptable. In working with the families of the grads, we were able to raise the \$4,000 needed to purchase the caps and gowns. I want to thank everyone who donated and a special shout out to the teachers, staff and students, you will forever be in our hearts.

I know I have said this before and I will continue to say this, THANK YOU to all of our front line workers. From healthcare, retail, grocery, construction, trades and everyone else; you have carried us, you have supported us and you are the REAL heroes.

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COMMUNITY EVENTS FOR JULY

Food Banks:

- Emmanuel Anglican Church (322 Herring Cove Rd) Our Food Bank will continue to operate as long as possible. Please call 902-477-1954 and leave a message if you need some assistance.
- St. Paul's Family Resource Institute (173 Old Sambro Rd). Food Bank clients call the Food Bank line, 902-477-5090, on Monday and leave a message. Those messages are answered on Tuesday and then the food orders are filled

Free meals for those in need:

- Salvation Army offers take out breakfast
- St. Paul's Family Resource Institute (173 Old Sambro Rd) Our Tuesday lunch program, Soup's On, is still operational but as takeout only

City Church (276 Herring Cove Road) events:

- City Church Telephone #: 902-479-248 c.citychurch@ns.sympatico.ca www.citychurchhalifax.ca
- City Church Christian Radio Station

Life 94.7 FM

Emmanuel Anglican Church Hall (322 Herring Cove Rd.) events:

- Emmanuel Food Bank is open. Please call 902-477-1954 to reserve a food box. Pick up is Thursday mornings, 9:30-10:30 only.
- Other activities will resume as permitted in the fall.
- Our website: emmanuelanglicanchurch.net

Salvation Army (328 Herring Cove Rd) Events:

- Breakfast to-go bags: 9:30-10:30am Monday to Friday
- Family Services by phone call 902-477-5393 ext 0.
- Immigration Support by limited appointments call 902-477-5393 ext. 226
- Our hours are reduced from 9:30-12:00pm

St. Paul's United Church (173 Old Sambro Road) Events:

- Public access to the outdoor tap will begin in early May. We request that users follow hand washing/sanitizing procedures and social distancing when accessing this water.

Please note that due to covid-19, many events including those listed here may be postponed or cancelled.

Call ahead to find out if an event you are interested in attending is still taking place.

Chebucto news looks forward to returning to a robust community events page when the current crisis ends. In the meantime, we will endeavour to keep you informed.

 Check our Facebook page for late arriving events and changes or updates to listed events.

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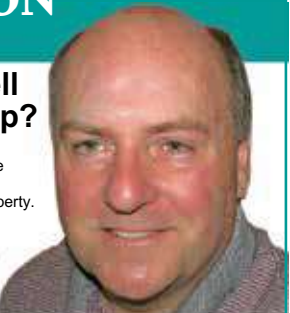
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