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Bumble bee gathering pollen on Zennia

## A unique growing season

*From the Urban Farm Museum Society of Spryfield. Photos by Ann Hart*

2020 is presenting the Urban Farm Committee new and unique challenges. As is happening everywhere, movement, occupation, planning and economics have been affected by the world health crisis. The Urban Farm organizers are determined to plant and share food this year and to welcome plot holders if at all possible. In the interest of health and nutrition some new market crops will be introduced. Fresh vegetables and flowers will be available for sale to the public throughout the growing season when we can be open.

This year plants are being started in the homes and on the porches of members and neighbors and will be planted in the farm gardens late May and early June. Wanda Hall, the farm board president, says her apartment looks like a greenhouse. "I'm excited that we are introducing a wide variety of vegetables at the Farm this season," she says. "We'll have fresh turmeric, lemongrass, Chinese cabbage, ginger root, bok choy, potatoes, corn, cucamelons, and ground cherry tomatoes as well as our regular favorite vegetables and herbs." The Farm Committee is ordering seeds to plant in the herb and flower plots to enhance the pollinator areas. Milkweed plants for monarch butterflies may be available at the farm for purchase by members for their gardens and yards. A fruit orchard is on this year's list for development. Plans to open the urban farm to gardeners and visitors are on hold for the time being. Individual plots are being allotted but timing depends on the local health authorities' permission to go ahead.

COVID-19 virus restrictions are presently being enforced by the province and the public health authority. The annual spring Seedy Saturday Plant Sale, Come Grow With Us family program, and the May 6 Farm Committee planning meeting have all been canceled for this season. Should the restrictions be eased or lifted before summer's end, we will host some children's and youth activities and the Fall Harvest Fair. You can keep up to date on what is being planned or canceled by visiting our Facebook page group. <https://www.facebook.com/groups/117594394923932/>

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Vegetable garden plot

## Sammy says



Well, COVID-19 has really turned our world upside down. Many people are either out of work or working harder than ever. Families, friends and loved ones are separated from one another. We're finding new ways to communicate, work, learn and support each other.

Parents who are working from

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# Unique

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We thank everyone who has supported our programs in the past. Our organization firmly believes that urban farms and community gardens are an essential food service. We are committed to providing opportunities and teaching about food security and the pleasures of gardening. By providing fresh locally grown vegetables and a happy place to work and play we are helping to maintain good mental and physical health in our community. To all our new members and those who have renewed their memberships, a warm welcome – we hope to see you at the Urban Farm in the near future!

Stay Safe and Healthy! Your Friends at the Urban Farm Museum Society of Spryfield



Summer produce for sale from the market garden

# Sammy

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home juggle their work hours with home schooling their children, whose studies have resumed after a lengthy break. Although it hasn't yet been announced, it's expected that graduation ceremonies and proms will be affected. University graduation ceremonies were cancelled for 2020.

Food banks are in greater demand than ever, and are continue to operate with modifications. Stores have implemented safety and social distancing measures, but are suffering shortages of many items like face masks, toilet paper, hand sanitizer, disinfectant wipes, cleansers and baking supplies.

SACA's 6th Annual Shay & MacKay Memorial Fishing Derby scheduled for the end of May is cancelled for this year. The provincial government is not issuing fishing der-

by permits in 2020. We plan to resume in 2021 when hopefully restrictions will be lifted.

Church services have moved online so that people of faith can continue to worship together during these trying times. St. James United Church in Sambro has cancelled their lobster dinner theatre "Alberta Bound" scheduled for late April and early May. Purchased tickets have been refunded. The church's monthly Soup's On has been suspended indefinitely.

The Spryfield Days Festival scheduled for July has been postponed, in hopes that it can be held in the fall. The fate of the Sambro Sou'Wester Days festival in August is yet to be determined, but organizers will be watching the news and will make a determination as things continue to unfold. Stay tuned.

Many other events and schedules have been affected as well. Although disappointing, in the grand scheme

of things we are still very lucky to be living in a first world country. We are not being bombed. Our country isn't being torn apart. We have health care. We have government and community supports. It's not perfect but things could be so much worse. Our infection numbers so far are not as high as they've been in other places.

Take a moment today and check in with a shut in who may be feeling isolated and vulnerable. Thank first responders, fast food workers, farmers and fishers, gas station, drug and grocery store employees and other essential workers. Practice social distancing when you need to go out. Hunker down, wash your hands and stop touching your face. Stay vigilant, stay safe, and stay home. I treasure you all. *Sammy Sambro is SACA's mischievous mascot. You can follow him on Twitter, Instagram and Facebook.*

# We have a winner!

Sue Morriscey, president of the "Forever Young Seniors Club", wishes to announce the winner of their "Gift Card Picture Frame Easter 2020" valued at \$300.00.

The winner is Gail Gibb.

In the picture, in front of the Golden Age Centre from left to right are Elaine Munro holding the drawn ticket and Jan Glenham holding the picture frame with enclosed gift cards.

The "Forever Young Seniors Club" wishes to thank the people of Halifax mainland south and surrounding areas for their support in our fundraising efforts.

The club wishes to especially thank Mike Macintyre, manager of the Spry-



field No Frills, for allowing their club members to sell tickets at his store's main entrance again this year.

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# Candidates for District 11 election

## Lisa Mullen

I am excited to declare as a candidate for HRM City Council! I have lived in Shad Bay for the last 25 years with my husband and 3 children, and spent most of that time involved in many initiatives to improve the Prospect Road communities.

Some of my local loves have been:

- A member of the School Advisory Council for Atlantic Memorial/Terence Bay School
- Prospect Road Citizens on Patrol for 5 years
- Citizen engagement group that successfully obtained a skateboard park in Pinedale Subdivision (park has since been dismantled and sent to Fall River)
- Chair of Prospect Road Organization for Better Environment during our successful attempt to prevent the asphalt plant from being built off of Evergreen Place in Goodwood
- RCMP liaison for Safe Seniors programs
- Prospect Road Community Centre Steering Committee, various roles from the inception of the committee to the doors opening on the Centre.

Outside of my home community I have been active in crime prevention initiatives as Chair of Crimestoppers Halifax Board, executive member of Crimestoppers NS, Founding Chair of HRM Crime Prevention Association, and a member of the NS Crime Prevention Association. My husband and I

have also been involved in the Royal NS International Tattoo for the last 16 years.

I currently work as the Executive Director of The Marguerite Centre in Timberlea, which is a recovery house for women healing from addiction. In my 8 years there I have been very involved in women's issues and moving the needle on homelessness, poverty and social justice. I have solid existing relationships with all levels of government and have been active with the municipality and the provincial government on committees and in working groups to address these issues.

As your Councillor I commit to working tirelessly on your behalf. I will represent all of our best interests in matters that make a difference to our lives as residents of Sambro Loop - Prospect Road such as ensuring our property taxes remain competitive and that we get the services we pay for, fair representation of our needs during transportation talks, safe water supply, and the continuation of beautification projects. I will continue to work in harmony with all levels of government to ensure our District and, in turn, all of H.R.M. continue to be the best city in the Maritimes!

On October 17, 2020 a vote for Lisa Mullen means a vote for a strong voice. I hope that I can count on your support.

## Jim Hoskins

I am a 45 year resident of Spryfield liv-

ing in Leiblin Park. I am a past candidate in the 2012 Municipal election for Councillor in District 11.

I am a retired decorated Halifax Regional Police Staff Sergeant with 36 years of experience and was the 1st Community Police Officer working out of Captain Spry Center in the Community Police Office.

I am no stranger to working with youth, particularly in Spryfield, and was on the Board of Directors for the Spryfield Boys and Girls Club for 10 years.

I was the 1st Head Coach of the JL Ilesley Football Team, a member of the Chebucto Health Board, and a present member of the Urban Farm Museum.

At present I am still a commentator on media, both radio and television, on issues of public safety.

My slogan for my campaign is "I've got your back" and if elected I will be a fulltime Councillor.

Policing provided me with an excellent background in problem solving, leadership, and responding to the public I served.

We have made strides in the areas of infrastructure and sidewalks, streets etc. but there is still plenty of work to do.

I am not a supporter of the CFL Stadium and the 20 million dollars in the reserve fund must be directed now toward building our financial resources and restoring financial stability which is going to take years.

There are many committed candidates coming forth in this election and I

ask for your vote.

Jim Hoskins  
902-477-6956

## Matthew Duffy

Hi, my name is Matthew Duffy and I am running for Councillor of District 11! I am deeply passionate about our communities, and, having grown up in beautiful McGraths Cove in Prospect, I have been proud to call District 11 home for my entire life.

From learning how to swim & hosting many of my childhood birthday parties at the Captain William Spry 'wave pool', to making countless trips to Sambro with my father, a career fisherman I have made so many memories I'll never forget.

I've decided to put my name forward for council as I believe that I can offer new, fresh ideas at City Council that will represent our district in the best way possible. Being younger gives me the unparalleled opportunity to be a true supporter of issues like recreational activities, accessibility, public transit and community transit. I am not afraid to be a strong and steadfast voice on difficult issues, and I believe that we, as a city, must work together to eliminate wasteful spending of our tax dollars. I am a cheerleader for community events & programs – and I will proudly support our community halls, parks, ball fields and more!

Over the last few years, I have had the opportunity to be a part of the Board of Directors for the Terence Bay Community Hall Association. Being a part  
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## DISCOVERING OUR PAST

### Herring Cove parents sued by former teacher

by Iris V. Shea

Herring Cove school records date back to 1836 when the inhabitants of that community raised three pounds, fifteen shillings to pay the teacher, John McLaughlin, for one term. In 1836, the term started on the 15th of June and ended the 30th of November. Not all children attended school on a regular basis and the teacher wrote this comment: "It is not worth while to make mension (sic) of any more names. There is as many as I can teach and nothing for so doing, only what the government allows me, God Bless Them Amen." The 1836 school record listed the names of 16 pupils. Mr. McLaughlin also received free room and board, valued at five shillings, six pence per week.

In 1846, Michael Kelly was the teacher for the term ending October 31st. His salary for the term was 18 pounds, 6 shillings with free lodgings valued at 7 shillings, 10 pence per week. The Trustees were Maurice Power and John Bracket. Residents of Herring Cove raised 25 pounds, 16 shillings for the teacher's salary. Fifty-eight scholars attended classes that term. Of those 58 students, 15 were classified as "free" and 43 were paying students. According to the information provided in the following petition, Michael Kelly abandoned his teaching position before his contract ended.

In 1847, in the file of school registers at the Nova Scotia Archives, RG14, volume 25, this petition appeared on behalf of Catherine Dempsey, widow, Andrew Bracket, fisherman, John Adams, fisherman, all of Herring Cove, and Richard Hanrahan, fisherman, Ferguson's Cove. Former school teacher, Michael Kelly, had lodged a complaint against these four individuals. The written petition to Lieutenant General John Harvey Knight was witnessed by A.M. Uniacke and reads as follows: "In the course of last summer the

Herring Cove School District, 1846.			
Teacher Michael Kelly. Term ending October 21, 1846.			
STUDENT	AGE	STUDENT	AGE
Munroe Hugh (s/o George)	12	Edwards Ann	16
Munroe Hugh (s/o Hugh)	11	Edwards Cecelia	6 (free)
Munroe George	9 (free)	Dempsey Catherine	16
Latter Thomas	11	Hayes Susan	13
Latter William	9	Power Ann	12
Power Patrick	12	Adams Elizabeth	14
Hayes John	13 F	ahie Bridget	11
Edwards Henry	10	Ryno Ellen	12
Power John	9 P	ower Sarah	10
Ryno Joseph	10	Power Mary	9 (free)
Ryno William	8 (free)	Darrach Elizabeth	10
Bracket James (s/o Andrew)	10	Darrach Ann	6 (free)
Umlah William	12	Thomas Elizabeth	11
Umlah Alexander	10	Bracket Mary	6
Power Michael	11	Perrier Mary Ann	6
Power Patrick	10	Lauchlan Ellen	9 (free)
Power Mark	8 (free)	Thomas Catherine 1	3
Bracket James (s/o Margaret)	10	Thomas Sarah	9
Brown John	10	Brown Mary	9
Brown George	8 (free)	Munroe Catherine	10
Ryno John G.	10	Oakley Ellen	6 (free)
Higgins William	10	Brown Margaret	8
Bracket Andrew	6	Munroe Sarah	10
Adams John	10	Munroe Mary Ann	6 (free)
Adams William	8	Bracket Ellen	12
Oakley James	9	Bracket Catherine	7 (free)
Laughlan Catherine	15	Higgins Letitia	13 (free)
Laughlan Bridget	14	Ryno Catherine	13
Laughlan Ann	12 (free)	Ryno Sarah Ann	6 (free)

inhabitants of Herring Cove engaged Michael Kelly, a teacher, to teach their children for one year. Said Michael Kelly, after three months, abandoned same. Last Christmas he went round to several homes to obtain payment. On these occasions he asked for liquor which was readily given him in way of kinship and hospitality in the same manner usual and customary with the people along the shore and without any intention or desire to receive money for the same. That in one instance Michael Kelly offered money

in payment for it, and on this being refused, handed 3 and ½ pence to one of the children of the family. Another instance he was supplied with something to eat together with cider and paid for the whole, against the wish of those who offered it, who intended to give it as Christmas Cheer. That your petitioners were struck with astonishment and dismay a few days after on being summoned before two Justices of the Peace in Halifax to answer for breach of License Law when said Michael Kelly gave evidence that your

petitioners sold liquor and therefore each was fined five pounds plus costs of eight shillings and 10 pence which they paid. That your petitioners never had any intention of supplying Michael Kelly with liquor and committing a crime. That habit and mode of life of your petitioners exposing them to continual hardships at all seasons and by night and day render it necessary for them to keep small supplies of liquor in their houses which they part with freely to their friends and neighbours without requiring any return payment.

That said Michael Kelly having once joined a Temperance Society has since left it and has broken his pledge and is now a notorious and abandoned drunkard. That your petitioners are all poor and enforcing the judgments now given against them at this season of the year will press most severely and injurious upon them. Your petitioners, therefore, throw themselves upon the merciful condition of your Excellency and that you will graciously omit the fine and penalty upon them aforesaid."

William Sutherland was the lawyer who represented the four Herring Cove residents, resulting in a favourable outcome for all four petitioners. The funds previously paid to the Justices of the Peace were reimbursed. Former teacher, Michael Kelly, was reprimanded for his role in causing stress and great discomfort to Catherine Dempsey, Andrew Brackett, John Adams and Richard Hanrahan. Sutherland, a young man who grew up in Spryfield (he was an uncle to Elizabeth Sutherland, Spryfield's first schoolteacher who later taught school in Herring Cove), did not charge a fee for his services. He claimed these hard working Herring Cove residents had suffered enough. The accompanying school record for 1846 reveals a number of names whose descendants continue to live in Herring Cove.

## Serpent Brewing brings Belgian inspired ales to Spryfield this summer

Nova Scotia's newest edition to the booming craft beer industry will open this summer at the Spryfield mall located in the heart of the community. The brewery will feature a 600 litre brewhouse, 60 seat taproom, and packaging facility to offer craft beer lovers in the area and across the province traditional bottle conditioned Belgian beer. Work began in March to remodel what was once an NSLC and then Frenchy's Clothing Store into a state-of-the-art brewing facility. Plans are to have the beer ready for sale in August later this year.

Serpent Brewing is the culmination of 10 years of home-brewing at the hands of the owner Glen O'Keefe, who originates from a small fishing

village by the name of Port Saunders in northern, NL. Glen moved to Spryfield to pursue a musical career in the progressive rock band Oceanic where he brewed his first batch of Beer: an Abbey inspired Belgian Blonde. At the time there were only a handful of breweries in the province but as Glen's focus shifted from music to brewing, the tastes of beer consumers in the province shifted from the typical major conglomerate producers to the plethora of flavors found throughout the many local breweries scattered across the province. An opportunity was presented.

Although Belgian focused, Serpent plans to satisfy the needs of modern craft beer fans but intends

not to alienate those who've yet to try locally produced beer. At the brewery, customers will be able to sample all of the brewery's Belgian inspired flagship products. However, 6 other beer taps will feature a rotating list of seasonal beer, alongside many experimental one-offs. There will be something for everyone.

A place for everyone was the intent says the owner.

"Traditionally, Belgian breweries were the congregating place for the community, they were the heart of the community. When I first set my sights on the Halifax area for a location I remembered back to my first days of taking the bus from my house on Princeton all the way downtown just



to have a night out. The Legion and Bowlarama both have their necessary place but what the community is missing is a true place of congregation that offers something people can come together about, produced right there... a sense of pride...the decision from there was obvious".

Along with onsite tap pours, Serpent will open with Growler fills, cans, and bottles for customers to take home.

# Candidates

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of this Association has taught me the value a community hall and activities for all ages can bring. Having safe, fun and accessible recreational and social activities available in our communities is key to a healthy and balanced lifestyle and must continue to be supported by municipal leaders.

Throughout my campaign, and if elected, I will be holding myself accountable to my own set of core values. Those core values are; maintaining honest communication, being reliable and maintaining a strong commitment to represent the residents of District 11 to the best of my abilities. Our communities deserve a representative at council who will work hard to ensure District 11 remains a great place to live, through community improvements, services and working with residents. I believe I'm the person for the job, and I'd be happy to talk to you more about it!

During these uncertain times, door to door interaction or meeting for a coffee is not currently an option to ensure the safety of all. But that doesn't mean we can't chat! I encourage any resident in District 11 to reach out to me to chat and discuss your thoughts on how we can work towards making our communities even better to live in. I'd also enjoy the opportunity to tell you more about why I wish to be the next Councillor for District 11 and how I can keep the momentum going on providing positive change and growth to our communities! On October 17th, I hope I can count on your vote!

Please feel free to contact me by phone, text, email or via social media; 1-902-237-7704 | mattduffy45@outlook.com | @duffyinthecove on Twitter | @MatthewDuffyHFX on facebook

## Ambroise Matwawana

My name is Ambroise Matwawana and I am a declared candidate for District 11 in the upcoming municipal election this October.

I first came to Canada more than 40 years ago, a French-speaking kid from the Democratic Republic of Congo. I remember what it felt like being new here and wanting to connect with others. Observing my parents working hard to establish themselves taught me to never give up. Resilience is an important characteristic of a great councillor: I don't give up on hard work.

I've had the privilege of living in Spryfield for the last 10 years and I love it here. When I had the opportunity to buy my first house, I naturally looked to this community first because this is where I felt most at home – welcomed, safe, and included. Wanting to give back, I've volunteered here with the Spryfield Boys & Girls Club as a member of the Board of Directors, and as part of the Advisory Council with Credit Union Atlantic. I have coached soccer in Canada and internationally at the high school, club, and collegiate levels. Recently, I was thrilled to become involved with the Herring Cove Sharks Soccer Club. Coaching taught me how to motivate people and give them space to shine while also supportively providing feedback for improvement. It's a commitment to telling people the Truth. Presently, I work in the private secu-

riety industry. Most folks think that this is about protecting property, but it is always, at its core, about people: helping people feel safe. With the pandemic situation, it's been challenging to reassure folks that it's going to be ok but, as one of the essential staff still required to show up in person to my workplace, I know that action speaks louder than words. My partner is doing the same as a frontline health care worker and I am incredibly proud of her.

Since declaring my candidacy, my intention was to get out on as many porches and steps as I could, to introduce myself to you and to hear about what matters most to you and your community. I was fortunate enough to have met many of you that way but, just as momentum was building, all of the normal handshaking and door knocking that comes with campaigning came to screeching halt. I've come to realize that the practice of campaigning will look different, but the purpose MUST stay the same: connecting with and listening to people! I want to hear specifically how you are feeling about your community and how that influences your sense of connection to our city more broadly. I also need to know what you need from your councillor.

This is who I am and some of what I bring to this opportunity. It would be my honour to serve as your councillor for District 11. I pray safety and peace for you and your family in these challenging times.

## Bruce Holland

I would like to thank the Chebucto

News for giving me the opportunity to introduce myself to the residents of District 11.

I was born and raised in Shad Bay in a family of eight. Our first home was in the village of Prospect where we lived for 5 years. As our family grew, we moved to a modest bungalow on the Terence Bay Road where we lived for 17 years. We then moved to Brookside where we lived for 12 years. I attended local public schools. Upon completion of high school, I attended Halifax Vocational School then went on to Dalhousie University.

My early working career included the Department of Transportation in Miller Lake, and after that a 10-year career in the Attorney Generals Department.

In my 20s I began volunteering in the community: on St. Joseph's Parish Council, president of the Prospect Road Gentlemen's Hockey League, the District 4 Fire Advisory Committee, various school advisory committees and the Harbour Advisory Committee of Terence Bay and Lower Prospect. More recently I served on the board of the Urban Farm Museum Society of Spryfield, the St. Paul's Family Resource Institute/foodbank, the YWCA Advisory Committee, and many more volunteer groups and organizations over the years.

In 1991 I was encouraged to run for Halifax County Council, where I served for 3 years. I was encouraged to run provincially and became the MLA for Timberlea-Prospect and eventually the Minister of Science and Information Technology and the Minister respon-

sible for the Nova Scotia Sport and Recreation Commission.

After leaving politics I worked in the private sector for 10 years before accepting the Executive Director's job with the Spryfield Business Commission where I have spent the past 11 years promoting local businesses, improving the business district and supporting local non-profit community groups and organizations to achieve their goals.

Over the years I have been involved in achieving many accomplishments, including upgrading and building new playgrounds, ball fields, soccer fields, paving streets and roads, the development of the professional EHS/Ambulance service, and working with residents to keep the Terence Bay Elementary School open. Two projects I am proud of are the S.S. Atlantic Heritage Park in Terence Bay and the recently developed Long Lake Provincial Park, serving as volunteer Chairman of both organizations during the conception and development of these projects.

There are many issues that need to be addressed in District 11. I am not interested in giving government money for new Football Stadiums! I have a deep concern for where municipal taxes are spent and believe it is time for more attention to be paid to the rural and suburban parts of the Municipality, specifically District 11. I am interested in developing effective transit/bus services, resolving traffic issues, providing additional opportunities and services for seniors and addressing other serious

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# Church and social distancing

by Carolyn Mont

Even though church buildings are closed, the work of the church goes on. This is certainly true for St. Paul's United Church in Spryfield. We still have our Sunday morning worship, but from home. Reverend Anne Hoganson conducts a full service from the sanctuary and then posts it on YouTube. Even though she is not physically at the church, she is also available by phone, 902-237-3318, if anyone wishes to speak with her.

The Prayer Circle still meets as well but via email on Sunday morning. There have also been a number of committee and board meetings held, using Zoom. These ways of communicating are wonderful but, like everyone, we look forward to the time when we can congregate in person. We will continue, in the meantime, to practice physical distancing.

There are two programs at Paul's United that are continuing at the church but in a much modified format. Our Tuesday lunch program, Soup's On, is still operational but as takeout only. The Food Bank continues as well, with clients self-distancing. 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, taking into consideration a number of factors. These may include whether or not this is a single person or a family, whether or not they have food allergies or sensitivities and any other food issues that the person filling the order is aware of. On Wednesday, the clients come in and collect the order which has already been filled for them personally.



Photo by Volunteer Jodi Brown shows a peek of what life is like behind the scenes at St. Paul's food bank these days

For both of these programs, FRI, the community ministry program which oversees them, has relied on dedicated, hard-working volunteers. A number of these volunteers for both Soup's On and the Food Bank are either seniors or have pre-existing conditions and this means that in this time of Covid 19, they are unavailable to continue with FRI for the duration of the pandemic. That left Kristen Hollery, the Community Ministry Director and Rena Eldershaw, the Food Bank Coordinator, shorthanded. How blessed FRI has been with volunteers, as students are out of school and many people have been laid off. There has been a group of young men who come every week to help unload the truck from Feed Nova Scotia that brings much of the food we get. High school students have also been coming to help with this heavy work as well. We have also had new people step up to help with Soup's

On. We extend sincere thanks to all of those who are volunteering in these very challenging times. The work continues, while practicing social distancing.

Another example of the greater community coming together is the work of Stella Maris Parish, made up of the former parishes of St. Paul's Roman Catholic Church, St. John the Baptist Roman Catholic Church and St. Michael's Roman Catholic Church. They have encouraged members of that parish to donate to the Food Bank at St. Paul's United Church and to drop food off at the church, 173 Old Sambro Rd., on Tuesdays between 8:00 AM and 10:00 AM and members of their youth group will be there to help unload groceries and maintain social distancing. These large donations, averaging about 400 pounds per week, are gratefully appreciated. It speaks well of the community around the Loop that the churches

have come together in this time of need. Seeing the invitation to contribute posted by Stella Maris Parish, the Harrietsfield Convenience Store has also been sending large amounts of food to St. Paul's United.

People may not be aware that we also get food from the schools. As they were forced to close, many of the local schools cleaned their shelves of food and donated it to the Food Bank. We should all be aware of how very supportive our community has been in this time of quarantine.

The John Umlah Community Garden is also part of our Family Resources Institute. Plots in this garden are open to members of our congregation, members of the community and for people outside the greater Spryfield area. Unfortunately, under guidance from the Department of Health, in order to fulfill social distancing regulations, community gardens are closed for now. We all look forward to the time when these guidelines will be lifted but for now, we must follow them.

One thing that will not be closed, however, is our water tap. During the months when the outdoor tap may freeze, those people from Harrietsfield who get their drinking water from St. Paul's United Church can access water by coming into the church during office hours. This has been a bit of a challenge since the quarantine has been followed, with St. Paul's having limited hours of operation. However, we have been informed by the Department of Health that we can allow public access to the outdoor tap and it will be turned in early May. We request that users follow hand washing/sanitizing procedures and social distancing when accessing this water.



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**SHAY & MACKAY MEMORIAL FISHING DERBY**  
The 6th Annual Shay & MacKay Memorial Fishing Derby which was scheduled for Sunday, May 31 has been cancelled due to COVID-19 restrictions. The government is not issuing permits for fishing derbies this year. The organizers look forward to offering the event again in 2021.

**CBDC BLUE WATER**  
CBDC Blue Water is providing business assistance remotely for the time being. Contact their Senior Business Development Officer, Alayne Jackson at 902-889-7523 or email [alayne.jackson@cbdc.ca](mailto:alayne.jackson@cbdc.ca).

**SPRYFIELD DAYS FESTIVAL**  
Unfortunately, the Spryfield Days Festival is postponed due to COVID-19. We hope to be able to reschedule it for the fall. However, we are continuing to gather contact information for sponsors and volunteers, so don't hesitate to email [bruce@discoverspryfield.ca](mailto:bruce@discoverspryfield.ca) if you'd like to be involved.

**RURAL BUS SERVICE UPDATE**  
The SBC Board of Directors has chosen a company to provide the service. The pre-implementation project is nearing completion and we can now apply for the funding to put the bus on the road. Provided the funding is approved by the Province and Halifax Transit (they cost share the Rural Bus Funding Program), we anticipate the Chebucto Transit Service will begin to operate in late summer, perhaps around Labour Day.  
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.  
If you have any questions, comments or ideas about anything, please e-mail me at [bruce@discoverspryfield.ca](mailto:bruce@discoverspryfield.ca).  
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**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)  
 Sunday Prayer Time: 10:00 am; Sunday Family Service: 10:30 am; Nursery & Children's Ministry 10:30 am; Wednesday Night Prayer: 7:30 PM

**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.)  
 At this time, Emmanuel Church has cancelled all its in-person services, events and non-essential meetings until such time as the Medical Officer of Health advises us that it is safe to resume them. For the latest updates see our webpage.  
 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.  
 We are posting spiritual resources and live streaming our worship on our webpage and our Facebook page and clergy continue to be available by phone for spiritual counsel.  
 Although our building is closed and we can't gather, our church is still operating, in worship, mutual caring and helping the community. We pray that everyone in Spryfield (and elsewhere) will stay safe and that together we can prevent the spread of the Covid pandemic. May God bless us all in this anxious time.  
 Every Sunday: 8:00am traditional service.  
 We are an affirming church. Everyone is welcome at any of our services.

**St. Michael Catholic Church** (6 St Michaels Ave, Spryfield)  
 Saturday: 5 pm and Sunday 11 am

**St. Paul's United Church** (173 Old Sambro Road)  
 Regular Service: Sunday, 9:50, Prayer Circle meets Sunday 11:00, Sunday worship and Sunday School

**Stella Maris Church**  
**St Michael's Catholic Church** (6 St Michael's Ave, Spryfield)  
 Saturday 5pm and Sunday 11am

**St Paul's Catholic Church** (137 Hebridean Dr., Herring Cove)  
 Sunday 9 am

**St John the Baptist Catholic Church** (Purcell's Cove Rd.)  
 Sunday 10am

**Salvation Army** (328 Herring Cove Rd)  
 Regular Sunday worship at 11:00am. Preceded by a prayer meeting at 10:30am

**The Sambro-Jollimore Pastoral Charge (Parish):**  
**St. James United Church: 3811 Old Sambro Rd, Sambro**  
**Parkhill United Church: 5 Kirk Rd, Jollimore**  
 Church buildings temporarily closed.  
 Live stream Worship Service Sunday at 11am on St. James United Church Sambro Facebook Page.  
 Additional information: www.sambrojollimorepc.com  
 Our two Churches are cancelling Sunday worship services for several weeks due to the COVID-19 Pandemic. We will announce when worship will resume on our website: www.sambrojollimorepc.com.  
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# We're in this together

by the Honourable Lena Metlege Diab, MLA for Halifax Armdale

I want to begin by acknowledging how hard the last few weeks have been for our province and our country. This is a very difficult time and Nova Scotia is grieving. My deepest sympathies, thoughts, and prayers are going out to all affected by the unthinkable acts of violence our province has witnessed, including the family, friends, and colleagues of RCMP Constable Heidi Stevenson. When dark moments like these arise, I want you to know that there is support available. If you need help right now, please reach out. The province's Mental Health Crisis Line is available 24/7 at 1-888-429-8167. Kids Help Phone can be reached at 1-800-668-6868. If you or a family member need help with a mental health challenge, you can also self-refer to a mental health clinic through 1-855-922-1122. If you need assistance accessing any supports, please reach out to my office. Remember that it is okay to feel sad, or angry, or hopeless, but you never have to bear those feelings alone.

In this moment, and every day, we reach for adequate words to express the full depth of our gratitude for the brave men and women of law enforcement and all of our first responders who put their lives on the line to protect us each and every day. We thank you, and we stand with you. We will never forget the sacrifices you have made. Let's all find our own ways to say thank you, and let's all hold our loved ones tight.

Nova Scotia continues to take

every measure possible to contain the spread of COVID-19 in our communities. Recently, COVID-19 cases at our long-term care facilities have been a particular concern for many and for our province. The health care system has mobilized rapidly to help residents and staff at Northwood's Halifax campus manage their outbreak. This included implementing an emergency plan at Northwood to move recovered patients to a local hotel where—with extra supplies and equipment provided by Shannex—an offsite care unit has been established. COVID-19 cases are now being treated onsite at Northwood and testing is being done onsite as well. Furthermore, The Halifax Infirmity COVID unit was redeployed into Northwood to help support the acute needs of residents. The NSHA worked quickly to bring in 40 additional employees, including nurses, and has had strong support from VON, the Red Cross, EHS, and soon-to-be-graduated students in related professional programs. As the system wraps its arms around everyone in the Northwood community, we pray for the residents and staff, and share our condolences with the families who are grieving in this time.

As of this writing, Nova Scotia's number of confirmed and recovered COVID-19 cases have continued to grow. We are, however, seeing some evidence that our physical distancing and self-isolating are making a difference in flattening the curve and keeping

our level of active cases at a manageable level. It is so important, in this moment when we begin to hope for an end to this, to renew our commitment to following public health protocols. I know they are hard on our families, and I know the distance and restrictions on activities are a challenge, but they are our best defence against losing our loved ones and community members. As a reminder, Nova Scotians are being asked to do the following to fight COVID-19:

- Stay home unless it's essential for you to leave
- Have one family member do the shopping once a week if possible
- Only gather with the people you live with and do not have guests over
- Stick to your own neighbourhood for walks
- Keep at least 2 metres from others in public spaces
- Wash your hands frequently and thoroughly and cough into your elbow
- Only use public transit for essential trips and never if you feel unwell
- Connect with loved ones virtually or

by phone

- Show compassion for others and use common sense

When this is over, we will join together again. We will celebrate being together, and we will do the things we used to love doing. We'll hold festivals, enjoy music, share food, drink, and our traditions, we will welcome new people to our communities, and we will support the individuals and businesses most affected to rebound and rebuild. We will also find new ways to show our gratitude to those on the frontlines who helped us through this, and we will pay our respects to those Nova Scotians who aren't with us.

We will get there, and we will do this. Together.

If I can be of assistance to you as the MLA for Armdale, please reach out to my office. I am constantly sharing updates on COVID-19 and all provincial matters on my Facebook page (@LenaDiabNS), and I am sending out regular E-newsletters at least once a week. If you would like to be subscribed, please send me an e-mail at [info@lenadiab.ca](mailto:info@lenadiab.ca).

## You are not alone, a letter to each and every one of you

by Brendan Maguire, MLA for Halifax Atlantic

As we go through these unprecedented times, I want you to know that what you are feeling, your anxieties, your fears, your depression, the feelings of the unknown, you are not the only one feeling like this.

We are all struggling with the social distancing, we want to see our moms, our dads, our grandparents, our friends, and our family.

Our children want to go to the playground, they miss school and their friends. It is hard for them to grasp what is happening.

Zoom, Facebook Live and other video conference programs are a great way to stay connected, but I know that they do not replace the loving embrace, the warm touch, or the soft kiss from a loved one.

Being an MLA was never about politics for me, it has always been about supporting our community, standing up for our community, finding answers for our community, and when times get

tough, carrying the weight for our community.

I am here morning, noon or night. I will try my best to answer your questions and to support you.

This is a time when our community steps up. I have seen countless people deliver groceries, make phone calls to seniors, donate money, food, clothes, toys, and gift cards.

I want to thank ALL of our front line workers, the health care workers, the firefighters, the police, the security, gas station attendants, grocery store employees, fast food, construction, long term care workers, home care workers, transit, fishermen and women, our farmers and so many more. You are the real heroes in all of this.

We, as politicians, relay messages. We try our best to keep you informed; we rush to social media to post, but it is our essential workers who keep us all safe; who keep us all full; who keep our

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# If you are able, please pay your property tax

by Stephen Adams, HRM Councillor, District 11

At our virtual Council meeting held on Tuesday, April 14, Council approved a motion to help provide some relief to both residential and business customers. The three key components are:

1. Deferral of the interim bill due date from April 30, 2020 to June 1, 2020;
2. The suspension of Non-Sufficient Funds (NSF) fees; and
3. The reduction of the interest rate charged on arrears from 15% per annum to 10% per annum.

What this means is that property tax bills are now due June 1st, 2020, which is a one month, interest-free extension on your property tax. As well, it allows our staff more time to develop a more comprehensive package which will help residents and businesses in the longer term.

Given that 85% of our revenues come from property tax, we would ask that if you are able, please pay your property tax bill. It will go a long way in helping us maintain reasonable levels of service throughout the municipality.

We recognize the challenges presented by the coronavirus, and the many hardships this has caused. We are doing our very best to help. Another update will come before Council in May.

A very difficult decision has been made to reduce budgeted staffing levels by approximately 1,480. These casual, temporary, and seasonal employees who normally provide service to the public cannot, due to the pandemic.

This number includes more than 500 seasonal employees who are not currently employed, but will no longer be hired this spring and summer as planned, including seasonal recreation staff.

Effective April 14, the municipality instituted a hiring freeze as part of our goal is to minimize layoffs. We are committed to our staff, and layoffs are not a decision we take lightly.

As with everything COVID-19 related, it is difficult to make predictions about future decisions regarding adjustments to service and staffing levels.

To say there is confusion regarding trails, parks, fields and other facilities would be an understatement. Here is a summary of what you can, and cannot, do, as of Friday, April 17.

Municipal parks are closed. And the trails in these parks are closed. There are no exceptions. Even if you can walk to them, municipal trails are closed. All municipal baseball fields, sport fields,

beaches and associated parking lots are closed. Again, there are no exceptions; even if you can walk to them.

The number of requests and questions I am getting are unprecedented. "Where can I go?" "Where can't I go?" "Can I visit my friends?" And the list goes on. I am doing my very best to get answers in a timely manner. And I will continue to do so. However, any questions or scenarios which start with, "I heard from", "or I read somewhere" or similar introduction, will not get a great deal, if any attention. I apologize in advance, as these situations are generally are not factual.

As I have noted in previous articles, there are numerous methods which are

used to relay concerns. Emails, phone calls, texts, Facebook posts, Facebook messages and private Facebook messages are the most common. Due to the volume of various messages, at times it can be difficult to ensure that I see them all. I have missed some Facebook messages. I cannot stress the importance of using email or texts to contact me and to use 3-1-1 for issues, as well. If you use 3-1-1, email the reference number to me. My assistant Ken is also available at (902) 490-7184 or benoitk@halifax.ca. My email address is adamss@halifax.ca.

These are trying times, to say the very least. We are all facing challenges we've not experienced. We can't visit friends, or go to a restaurant, or a dog

park. We can't have a fire or go fishing. What we took for granted a few months ago, has changed. And, will we ever get back to normal, whatever that normal might be?

It is hard to predict what our 'new' normal will look like. How many will wear masks in public as a part of a daily routine. Will we carry hand sanitizer with us, with extra bottles in the car, at the office, by our bed or in every pocket in every piece of clothing. Perhaps there are other measures some will take, and we have yet to see them. Who knows?

One thing I do know, is this. We will get through this by helping each other, being patient, being kind and being respectful. Support your neighbours and friends, and above all, adhere to the guidelines put out by Dr. Strang. And, I will be there for you every step of the way; although I will be 6 feet from you.

## Update from your federal representative

by Andy Fillmore, MP for Halifax

Let me begin with thanks. The last little while has been difficult for all of us, yet in times of challenge, heroes are revealed. They are all around us: in hospitals, and long-term care homes; they're driving cop cars, ambulances, fire trucks and city buses. They're at the grocery store, in the kitchens of empty restaurants, at your doorstep with your delivery, and so many other places. And yes, heroes are at home, too. You are a hero because you're helping to fight the spread of COVID-19 and save lives, whether you're an essential worker on the front lines or a responsible citizen adhering to the advice of our public health officials. I know it hasn't been without sacrifice or disruption. But it is our duty to one another. So thank you.

I also want to express my condolences to the families and loved ones of those we have lost to COVID-19. One of the most cruel aspects of this virus is it deprives us of our ability to be together in times of hardship, as is our human instinct. Just know that while we are apart, you are all in our thoughts.

Things are changing at a rapid pace these days. The truth is, by the time you read this column, there's a good chance that a lot will have changed from now, as I write to you from my home on a brisk Friday afternoon in April. I'm getting awfully used to these four walls.

Since this crisis began, I've been on the phones talking to thousands of constituents and local business owners to

direct folks to the available resources. I've brought your concerns directly to the relevant ministers, and we've seen positive results. The government's economic response to the pandemic continues to evolve, and we will continue to be there to support Canadians through this time.

The Canada Emergency Response Benefit, for example, is providing much needed financial help to millions of Canadians with a \$2000/month benefit. We've doubled the GST credit payment, boosted the Canada Child Benefit, and paused all Canada Student Loan payments. For small business, we're covering 75% of workers' wages, offering \$40,000 interest-free loans with \$10,000 forgivable, and at the time of writing, we're moving forward on rent

support for commercial leases.

There will be more to do in the days and weeks ahead as we prepare for the eventual easing of physical distancing measures. I look forward to working with all of you on how we can get Canada's economy booming again, and get Canadians back to work. The road ahead will not be easy but we will walk it together, all of us.

In the meantime please continue to follow the most up-to-date advice of public health officials.

My office continues to my fully operational, although we ask folks to limit in person visits if at all possible. We can be reached at 902-426-8691, andy.fillmore@parl.gc.ca, or on social media @andyfillmorehfx

Andy Fillmore, MP for Halifax

## Letter

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communities and economy going.

Now more than ever our arts and culture is important. It is our musicians and artists who have stepped up and provided free social media shows. When we come out at the other end of this we need to remember them, to support them, and to promote them.

During this time, let's try our best to support local businesses, local farms, and local food providers. They are struggling during this time; remember they are the ones we go to for donations for our local bingos and for our schools. They are there when we need them, let us be there for them now.

We have time on our hands, and during this time we all take to social media. Remember to stay informed, but most importantly remember to be kind. People are struggling, they are on edge and we do not know what is going on in their personal lives. Let's take a moment before we post something and think "would I want someone to say that to me."

2020 has been a strange year so far, we as a country have had to overcome so much. I write this knowing a lot of us are struggling, but I write this because I want you to know no matter who you are, where you live, whether you like me or not, I am here for you. I am only ever a phone call away, my personal

cell is 902-499-5500

We will come through this. I do not know how long it will take, or what it will look like on the other end, but what I do know is that we are a strong community; we overcome, we support and we love.

With love

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## Acts of kindness

Has someone made your life (or someone else's) a bit better by being kind during this crisis? For instance, my neighbours across the street delivered a large platter filled with an amazing turkey dinner to my house on Easter Sunday.

We'd like to hear from you. Drop us a line at chebuctoeditor@gmail.com by May 13 and we'll post it in Chebucto News. With all the bad news out there, we need to hear about the good things. And we'll keep it anonymous, no names or specifics.

Let's see just how wonderful people can be!



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# LOCAL OBITUARIES

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## Darlene Wendy McNeil

Of Halifax (Kline Heights). With heavy hearts we announce the passing of Darlene Wendy McNeil (Drysdale), on Sunday March 15, 2020 at the QEII. Darlene was first and foremost a family woman; a dedicated wife, mother and grandmother. She will be sorely missed by many. Darlene was the matriarch of her family, generous and compassionate, her door and her heart were open to all – including family, friends and students; no one was turned away. One of Darlene's great joys was watching her children and grandchildren playing various sports. Darlene loved spending time at the Family Cottage at Lake Torment in East Dalhousie. She loved fires outside, getting away for the weekend, tinkering on the property and making a to-do list for Trev. Darlene loved to host Sunday Family suppers – where any topic was open for discussion. We will surely miss her cooking and treats. She loved Thursday night coffee with the Golden Girls – Alice & Gail, along with partaking in their new found passion of travelling – making it to Nashville & Cuba. She would insist the Golden Girls complete their bucket list of places to visit. Darlene also enjoyed spending time at "Camp Cavendish" with the neighbors, whom she loved as family. She dearly enjoyed her new found passion in catering (At

a Moment's Notice) for the Cathedral Church and Diocese. Darlene worked at Glades Lodge for many years where she met her husband Michael McNeil. Both Darlene & Mike were strong Union Activists. She later moved on to work at St. Mary's University for over 10 years, retiring from SMU in 2016. Most recently, her greatest passion was working at the Cathedral Church of All Saints on Cathedral Lane in Halifax. She was a dedicated employee and dearly loved by her church community. She is survived by children J.R. (Urusula), Emily (Trevor), her beloved grandchildren, Anthony, Brandon, and their mother Melissa, Chase and Callie Rose, siblings Paula (Kirk) and David (Karen) and numerous nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her parents Frederick Drysdale, Genevieve (MacDonald), her loving husband, Mike McNeil in 2016, sister Linda, and brothers Ralph (Buzzy) and Frederick (Freddy). In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Cathedral Church of All Saints. Special thanks to Father Paul, Nurses and Doctors of the QEII, 7.4 for her final days of care and support to the family. "It is what it is..." To place words of comfort and condolence, you may visit [www.walkerfh.com](http://www.walkerfh.com).

## Lionel Francis Pelham

77, Born June 18, 1942. It is with heavy hearts we announce the sudden peaceful passing of our beloved father, grandfather, brother, uncle and friend on March 13, 2020. Born in Halifax. Grew up and lived in Herring Cove before retiring to Sambro. He was a Son of the late Morton and Germaine "Gerri" (Comeau) Pelham. He was born prematurely with a low birth weight so his parents nicknamed him "Pee-wee". He is now reunited with his loving wife of 49 years, Jane Margaret Pelham (Darrah). He will be sorely missed by his children, Danny (Donna), Patti (Dean), Mort (Sandy), Lana (James) and Cookie; grandchildren, Jessi, Josie, Darrah, Ben, Jacob, Luke, and Jack; great grandchildren, Chase and Maci; siblings, Sandy (Kay), Ann (Jim), Chris (Sue); brothers-in-law, Danny (Joan), Charlie and many nieces and nephews. His granddaughter, Deanna and sister, Mary Claire, predeceased him. After 35 years of service with Nova Scotia Power, Lionel filled his days with everything he loved including sailing, traveling, walking, fishing, gardening, and card nights at the church hall. Most of all he loved being with his family and watching his grandchildren grow. He was a devout Catholic and found much comfort in God. He was a very active parishioner, reliable and generous. He loved the sea. You could find him at his boathouse in Ketch Harbour proudly named "Pat's Point" after his aunt where he welcomed everyone for a chat, cards, and a drink. So please next time you look out to the sea, raise a glass for our sweet Papa. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Baby's Breath Canada. To leave words

of comfort and tribute for the family please visit [www.walkerfh.com](http://www.walkerfh.com).

The following obituaries do not come from Walker's.

## Anthony James Farrell (Tony)

Age 50, of Herring Cove, died March 27th, 2020 at Hospice Halifax. Tony was born November 23rd, 1969, to Donna (nee Ryan) and Harvey Farrell. He was predeceased by his daughter, Megan. He is survived by his parents, his brothers Adam and Ryan (Cecilia), his wife of 25 years, Joanie (nee Edwards), and daughter Hannah. He also leaves behind his precious granddaughter Coraline, who shares his mischievous spirit.

Tony loved cycling: both commuting to and from work, and mountain biking on the trails. In his younger years, Tony earned a black belt in karate. He loved the outdoors, and in recent years volunteered with the McIntosh Run Watershed Association, helping build the trails he biked on.

Tony was dedicated in all that he did as an employee of Piercy's/Rona for 35 years, and as a father, grandfather, and husband. He will be dearly missed by many friends and extended family. Thank you to Tony's good friend Doug Chiasson and cousin Scott Kirby, who made extra special efforts to visit, call, and cause trouble with Tony at every opportunity.

Thank you to Dr. Lori Wood and her team for their care and expertise. Thank you to the staff of Hospice Halifax and Dr. Leisha Hawker.

Cremation has taken place at Dartmouth Funeral Home. Gathering for family and friends to be held at a later date. Online condolences can be made at [dartmouthfuneralhome.ca/obits](http://dartmouthfuneralhome.ca/obits). Donations can be made to Canadian VHL Alliance in Tony's memory.

## Margaret Mary Doherty

It is with great sadness the family of Margaret Mary Doherty announces that she passed away peacefully in the early morning of April 14, 2020 at Shannex - Frederick Hall, Fredericton. Margaret was married to the love of her life, Harold Francis Doherty, for 58 years. Born in South Branch Kent Co. NB, on April 4, 1923, she was the first child of Daniel and Annie (Connors) Shortall.

Margaret graduated from the New Brunswick Normal School in 1942 and taught in several places in New Brunswick, including the school her younger siblings attended. She married Harold in 1946 after he returned from overseas and they raised their family. She was the first woman to serve on the Fredericton Board of School Trustees before returning to teaching, first as a Supply Teacher then in a permanent position at Montgomery and retiring as Vice Principal of Priestman Street School. She was often greeted with love and respect from students she had taught. She was a dedicated member of the St. Dunstan's CWL for over 70 years, a member of the DECH Auxiliary and the NB Retired Teachers. While Harold was Fire Chief, she was also an active member of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the New Brunswick, Maritime and

Canadian Fire Chiefs Associations.

She leaves behind a large extended family to celebrate the wonderful woman she was, including her daughter Maureen Murray (Tom); sons Daniel (Sandra), David (Connie), and Dennis (Laura); grandchildren Tangelene Ramsay (Scott), Cary Norquay (Rod), Ryan Doherty, Denny Doherty, Joseph Doherty and Simon Doherty; step-grandchildren Kerrie Hallett (Jason), Stephanie Murray, Rob Murray and Scott Murray. As well, she was blessed with several great-grandchildren whom she adored. She also leaves behind her sisters Mary Wood and Kay Brown; brother Paul Shortall (Mary); sister-in-law Phyllis Shortall. She will be greatly missed by her many nieces, nephews and friends.

In addition to her parents and her husband, Margaret is predeceased by daughter-in-law Linda Doherty; her precious grandson Jason Doherty; sister Helen Bushey and her husband Manuel; sister Ruth Grattan and her husband George; brother James Shortall and his wife Mabel; brother Raymond Shortall; brother-in-law William Wood; and brother-in-law Thomas Brown.

The family sends their deepest and sincerest Thank you to the wonderful, caring staff at Frederick Hall who were by her side over her last days praying with her and keeping her comfortable.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Fredericton Veteran's unit, Hospice Fredericton or to the charity of your choice.



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# The Jason Doherty Memorial COMMUNITY EVENTS PAGE



To have your Community Event listed call or fax us at 477-NEWS or send e-mail to chebuctoeditor@gmail.com. Check our Facebook page for updates & late arrivals

**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.**

## COMMUNITY EVENTS FOR MAY

### 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:

- At this time, Emmanuel Church has cancelled all in person services, events and non-essential meetings until such time as the Medical Officer of Health advises us that it is safe to resume them. For the latest updates see our webpage.

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.

902 477-1783, website emmanu-elanglicanchurch.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.

### 2020 Homecoming for Nurses' Alumni

Calling all Victoria General Hospital School of Nursing graduates. We are

celebrating the 100th anniversary of our Nursing Alumni, the longest continuous Nursing Alumni in North America, 1920 to 2020. Set aside the week-end of September 11-13, 2020. Invite your nursing classmates to attend with you. It will be fun. It takes place in Halifax at the Westin Hotel (formerly the Nova Scotian Hotel). For more information and to register check out our Nursing Alumni website at www.halifaxvghnursesalumni.ca.

- **Note: see Church Service notifications on page 7.**

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



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## Candidates

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issues in District 11.

It will be an honour to serve as your Councillor for District 11 and I respectfully ask for your vote in the upcoming Municipal Election.

### Hannah Munday

Hannah Munday is a lifelong resident of Nova Scotia. She came to Halifax from Conquerall Mills on the South Shore to attend the University of King's College in 1996. When others in her cohort moved to Ontario or further west, Hannah chose to stay. She moved to Hatched Lake in 2007, choosing the area because of its unique combination of a distinct rural feel close to a lively, warm urban center with all the amenities.

Hannah spent her 20s working for the non-profit NS Boatbuilders Association, as assistant to the Executive Director. She started her family in 2005 and with her husband Michael Munday, a senior estimator with Lindsay Construction in Burnside, Munday has three active boys; Isaac, 14, James, 12 and Gabriel, 8. Some of their favourite family activities are board games, baseball, and travel.

In 2009 she opened a small home daycare in Hatched Lake, and since then more than two dozen children from the community have been in her care. Hannah is well versed in running a small business that requires patience, creativity, and consistency as well as compliance with provincial regulations. As co-administrator on multiple Facebook groups helping parents find both

registered and private day-home care in Halifax, Hannah has advised both parents and providers on the ever-changing regulations governing childcare.

During this time, she volunteered as a t-ball coach for summer baseball and served as both co-chair and chair of the Prospect Road Elementary School Advisory Council. During her tenure the SAC was able to support the school in getting a new roof.

Despite being geographically separated, District 11 residents have a lot in common – a mix of residential neighbourhoods and working small villages where more people are commuting into the business core, but who want to keep the home lifestyle they love without sacrificing ease of travel or affordability. Hannah believes urban and rural parts of Halifax need to recognize each other's strengths and work together to lift us all up, something she feels can be achieved with thoughtful reflection and planning, inviting new approaches that have worked elsewhere, and looking for opportunities to collaborate.

What the residents of District 11 need is a councillor who brings new ideas, pragmatism and accountability to the council chambers. We need someone who can be there for the big picture - accomplish needed wins in council - and yet still be an accessible, reliable councillor open to questions big or small.

We face challenges as our area grows and changes. Efficient transit, environmental sustainability, affordable housing, resources for elders and young people and smart development plans will all be needed going forward. But as these complex issues arise, we still want

District 11 to be a place known for its community spirit.

The next mandate for city council will see debate and review of the Regional Plan for Halifax. District 11 needs a strong voice in these discussions; someone who will advocate for both the suburban and rural neighbourhoods we call home. Hannah is committed to being that voice.

### Pete Rose

My name is Pete Rose and I have been a resident of Ketch Harbour since 2004. I was born and raised in Cape Breton and continued my studies on the Island, graduating with a Bachelor of Business Administration degree. During university, beside my studies, I was able to hold down two jobs and was an avid rugby player. Rugby has provided me with the opportunity to play at a recreational club level and also to compete at a provincial level, playing for Nova Scotia for multiple years. After graduating with my BBA in 1999, I relocated to Halifax and have worked hard at a number of different jobs including being self-employed for a short time before moving into the rewarding and challenging career as a Construction Project Manager. I have worked now for the last decade in this field with ongoing problem solving, bringing forward innovative solutions, and planning and completing small and large scale projects across Atlantic Canada and the country. I call Ketch Harbour home with my wife, Andrea and my two children, Amelia and Eli, and our family dog, Sheeba. When I moved to Ketch Harbour in 2004 I fell in love

with the natural beauty and the people of our communities and I have worked hard over the past 15 years to improve the community connection and spirit. I have been a member of the Ketch Harbour Area Residents Association for a number of years starting first as the treasurer and I now currently hold the role as one of the Co-Chairs for the association. I am also part of the Sambro Elementary School's School Advisory Council, where I started as a community volunteer before my daughter started at the school, and I am now the chair for the council. To stay active I continue to play recreational hockey and I enjoy exploring the Maritimes with my off road vehicles or on a bicycle. Another hobby I spend time on is creating unique products in my workshop as an avid wood worker. I have wanted to get involved in Municipal politics for several years and now is the right time in my career to step forward. I know that my personal and professional skills and experiences will bring new ideas and strengths to council. I will also bring enthusiasm, drive and passion for our wonderful communities forward so that we will have the strong and positive voice that is needed at council. I am not afraid to make the tough decisions that need to be made every day and will be 100% accountable to every person in District 11. I look forward to our world returning to a more normal time and speaking to as many people as possible to hear your concerns, needs and stories. Please feel free to reach out to me anytime at 902-414-6484 or by email at peterose@hotmail.ca. Thank you for all of your support and be safe.

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