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Members of the St. James United Church Dinner Theatre Troup show off their 70's style!

# Sambro Night Live at St. **James United Church!**

by Lorrie Boylen

Rehearsals and other preparations are well underway for St. James United Church's Dinner Theatre's annual production. Performances are April 25, 26, 27 and May 1, 2 and 3. All performances are at 6:30 p.m. except for Sunday April 27 at 4:30 p.m. Public ticket sales are at the church at 3811 Old Sambro Road in Sambro at 12:30 p.m. on Sundays beginning March 23 and also at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesdays starting March 26 while supplies last. The shows always sell out so patrons are encouraged to purchase early to avoid disappointment. Seating is selected at the time of ticket purchase. The cost is \$35 per person with cash or cheque payable to St. James Dinner Theatre and includes the show plus a delicious meal of salad, lobster, baby potatoes, peas, carrots, rolls, carrot cake, tea or coffee. Please note there are no substitutions offered due to the extra cost, effort and

time involved.

"Sambro Night Live" is another original play written by Reverend Keltie Van Binsbergen and features music from the 1970s. Although it is a sequel of sorts to their "Sambro Flower Power" play from two years ago, featuring many of the same characters 10 years later, it's not necessary to have seen the prior performance to appreciate and enjoy this one. The show will feature many returning actors as well as some fresh faces. The yearly dinner theatre is a major fundraiser for the church and everyone involved are volunteers.

St. James United Church Dinner Theatre Productions has its own Facebook page. The box office can be reached by phone at 868-2791 or check for updates at the church's website at www.sambrojollimoreunited.org and look towards the bottom of the page under "Recent News".

# **Keeping Up with March Break**

by Carrie Forbes

This year, March Break for schools within the Halifax Regional School Board falls from March 10th through to March 14th. Keeping the kids busy is easier when you have a variety of activities to choose from. Fortunately, there are so many choices this year around our community, it would be a challenge to keep up with it all:

Camps: Several day camps are running during the week, providing parents a full day of supervised fun and activities. Within the Chebucto Loop, there are several options:

- Spryfield Boys and Girls Club -SBGC is offering a five day camp for children, with plenty of activities and events, starting at 8:00 a.m. and running to 5:30 p.m. The cost for the week is \$100.00, and includes entrance fees, and bus fare as well as offsite activities. Contact the club by calling 477-9840, or email generalinfo@bgcspryfield.org

- Nova United Martial Arts (N.U.M.A.) – The folks at N.U.M.A. are offering a weeklong camp for children that is sure to burn off a lot of surplus energy. Children will spend the week practicing various martial arts techniques, playing judo games, and having fun. The cost is \$120.00 for the 5 days, running from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Contact Jason Scott at N.U.M.A. to register by emailing teamnuma@live. com or by calling 404-2423.

- Halifax Recreation: Captain William Spry – Children ages 5 - 11 can spend their days filled with creative and physical activities at the Captain William Spry Centre, courtesy of Halifax Recreation. For \$89.00, children can attend from 8:30-4:30.

- Halifax Recreation: Chocolate

Lake – Halifax Recreation is also running a March Break day camp for children ages 5-8 at the Chocolate Lake Community Centre. Also at the cost of \$89.00, this camp runs daily from 9:00-4:00. To register with Halifax Recreation for either camp, call 490-666, or visit www.halifax.ca/rec to register online.

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# **February Heritage Tea** and Display a great **SUCCESS**

by Iris Shea

The Mainland South Heritage Society held its 20th Annual Heritage Tea and Display in February at the Captain William Spy Community Centre. Thanks to members of the organization for their hard work in making it a very successful event. Archivist Allan Marryatt is to be commended for the exceptional photographic display which was enjoyed by close to 100 visitors. The theme this year was "Remembering Our Veterans", commemorating the 100th anniversary of World War One, and the 75th anniversary of World War Two. There were also photographs of local men who participated in the Riel Rebellion (1885) and the Boer War (1899-1902).

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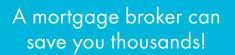


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# **March Break**

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Activities: March is a great time to get out of hibernation and shake off the winter blahs. Check out these options to get the kids moving:

- Harrietsfield /Williamswood Community Centre – The HWCC will be open to for the week to the children within its area for community activities and fun. The centre will also hold a pre-teen dance on March 13th with a St. Patrick's Day theme; attendees are encouraged to wear green. Contact the HWCC at 902-446-4847 for more information.

- Bowlarama – During March Break week, the Spryfield Bowlarama is offering its 'Pizza Bowl' special to school kids. For \$10.00, a child can enjoy bowling along with a slice of pizza during the hours of 11:00-1:00 or, from

4:00-6:00. Look for a flyer from your child's school with a \$1.00 off coupon for more savings. Contact Alice at 479-2695 for further details.

- Captain William Spry Library – Plenty of special programs are planned for young readers over the course of the week. The Tech Lounge will be open to children ages 8-14, who want to drop in and check out the iPads, laptops and gaming machines on March 11 & 12th at 3:45. Observing the Night Sky for Beginners will be available to kids age 7 and up at 6pm on March 12th. For those 5 and over, the Jungle Pets will visit on March 13th at 10:30 a.m., including reptiles and birds. Younger children 3 and up can March to the Beat with Pete on March 14th at 3:00, while teens can check out vintage 90's gaming on March 14th from 6-8. For more information on these or other programs running at the Library during the week, contact the Information Desk at 490-5818.

- Spryfield Lions Rink and Recreation Society – The Spryfield Lion's Rink is promoting special ice times for March Break week. Contact 477-5466 to book a time.

- Captain William Spry Wave Pool -A refreshing swim can be a great way to spend some time during the week. Check the calendar at http://www.halifax.ca/rec/ aquatics/SpringSchedule.html . Children ages 5-12 can swim for \$2.25, teens for \$3.00. For more information, contact the pool at 420-SWIM.

Outdoors and beyond: Sometimes, March weather can invite us to spend time in the outdoors. If the conditions are right, skating on an outdoor pond such as Long Pond, or the Frog Pond can be invigorating and inexpensive. Be sure to check HRM's Ice Conditions by visiting http://www.halifax.ca/real\_property/ ice/index.asp. If the weather is too nice for ice, you can always go for a stroll through York Rebdoubt, the Dingle, or Long Lake Provincial Park. The brisk air would make a great excuse to go for hot chocolate. All the best to parents, kids and teachers over the break!

### **March Break Day Camp**

The Boys & Girls Club of Spryfield will be running their annual March Break Day Camp starting Monday, March 10th - Friday, March 15th, 8:00 am - 5:30 pm. The weekly fee is \$100 which includes all entrance fees for off-site trips, bus fares, special treats, & off-site activities. There are no hidden costs or fees! The day camp is open to all school aged children 5-12 years old. For more information and registration please contact Samantha Snow, Program Sites



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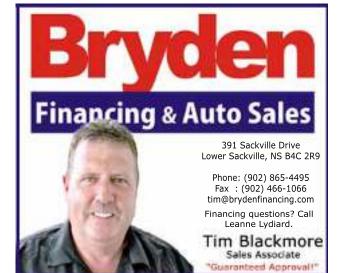
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# **Heritage Tea**



Members of The Atlantic Canadian World War Two Living History Association, left to right: David Crocker, Karen Kitchen, Wendell Kitchen, Liam Caswell, Wade Berglund

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Among the women honoured in the display were World War One nurse Annie Piercey who served in the Canadian Army Medical Corps, and Maidie Mont and Nan Geizer who served in World War Two. Some visitors brought family photographs which Allan scanned to

add to the Heritage Society's growing wartime collection.

An added attraction at this year's display was a visit from The Atlantic Canadian World War Two Living History Association. Their very knowledgeable members, all World War Two re-enactors, brought a large collection of artifacts and memorabilia from their private collections, including equipment used by our Canadians soldiers during the war. The four men, David Crocker, Wendell Kitchen, Liam Caswell and Wade Berglund, dressed as Canadian soldiers while Karen Kitchen dressed in the fashion of a wartime civilian. More information on this group of re-enactors may be seen on their website at www. tacww2lha.weebly.com

If you missed the display of heritage photographs on February 22nd or would like to view it again, you may do so at the Captain William Spry Library in Spyfield during the month of March.

# An evening of networking

On Thursday evening, February 20th, members and friends of the Spryfield and District Business Commission (SDBC) enjoyed an evening of networking and a most interesting discussion on commercial taxes. Special Guest, Councillor Gloria McCluskey, District 5 in Dartmouth, herself a former director with the tax department, led the discussion with a very insightful description of how commercial taxes are determined and how they evolved over the years.

Introduced by local Councillor, Stephen Adams, Councillor McCluskey fielded many questions on the topic. Perhaps the most interesting of her responses was to the question of the high discrepancy between residential and commercial tax rates, when she acknowledged that municipalities historically have raised the commercial rate to cover shortfalls in the past and this has led to higher than normal commercial tax rates in the Halifax Regional Municipality.

Those in attendance were treated to a light lunch and refreshments put on by the Ladies Auxiliary of the Salvation Army Family Resource Centre, where the event took place.

Many new friends and contacts were made as people mingled before and after the discussion portion of the event. Many thanks go to those businesses who presented their goods and services and to everyone who attended. Members are encouraged to keep an eye open for details on the Commission's



Pictured are SDBC Executive Director Bruce Holland and SDBC Chairman Ryan Brennan thanking special guest Councillor Gloria McCluskey

next event, our Annual General Meeting and Business Awards night, which is scheduled for Thursday, June 5th, 2014.

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### DISCOVERING OUR PAST



### Winter weather and rocky coastline create havoc for ships

by Iris V. Shea

Entering and leaving Halifax Harbour required great navigational skills during the days of sail when the combination of rough winter weather and our rocky coastline played havoc with ships of all sizes. Residents along the shore were often forced to stand by helplessly while small schooners were dashed against the rocks during gale-force winds and heavy seas.

At 6 o'clock on the morning of November 6, 1894, William Johnson of Bear Cove saw a vessel off Herring Cove attempting to fight the heavy seas in torrential rain. When the schooner, Annie M. Pride, came within about eighty feet of the shore, Mr. Johnson reported "she was fairly lifted from the water and dashed against the rocks with such force that she was broken in two and immediately went over and sunk." There was no sign of any crew. Johnson walked to Camperdown to send news of the accident to the Marine and Fisheries Department in Halifax. A number of empty casks and a few fish were washed ashore, all part of Annie M. Pride's cargo that she was carrying from Mabou, Cape Breton and delivering to Boak and Bennet in Halifax.

There were five people aboard the ill-fated schooner, all of whom drowned. The Herring Cove life-boat searched the area for twenty-four hours when John Dempsey, from the lifesaving station, sent word to the Marine and Fisheries Department that four bodies had been recovered that morning on the shore near "Crawley's Point," two by the life-saving crew and two by Mr. William Brackett. The captain of Annie M. Pride, forty-one year old James Gaspard Pride, was among them. The body of his eleven-year-old son, Thomas Bernard Pride, was never found. Captain Pride's thirty-seven year old wife, Annie Melvina Burns, after whom the schooner was named, had died in February that same year. The Prides lived on Cornwallis Street in Halifax but had come from Sonora, Guysborough County.

Another accident, this one off Chebucto Head at just before noon on January 12, 1913, ended happily for the 900 passengers and crew aboard S.S. Uranium. The 420-foot steamer was bound from Rotterdam to New York with a stopover in Halifax when, in thick fog,



SS Uranium, 1913, Courtesy of Mainland South Heritage Society

it missed the buoy between Egg Island and Chebucto Head and ran straight on towards Chebucto Head light. The passengers, accustomed to the pounding of heavy seas since leaving Rotterdam on December 28th, thought they had landed in Halifax and began collecting their suitcases to disembark. They soon discovered they were stuck on the rocks just north of Chebucto Head. As a precautionary measure, the passengers and many of the crew were lowered over the side to the tugs Bridgewater, Scotsman and Togo and transferred to Lady Laurier which carried them to Halifax.

On January 14th, the Halifax Herald announced that their reporters had reached Chebucto Head "in the first automobile ever seen there...it was a terrific ride over awful roads. Sightseers in automobiles went down by car and there was quite a family party at the lighthouse last night. Lightkeeper Captain Holland and his family have thrown open their home to all who care to make use of it for shelter and are tireless in their efforts toward supplying bodily comforts on behalf of those whose duties demand that they shall be at the scene."

The first man on the scene was lighthouse keeper Captain Richard Holland. The Duncan Cove lifeboat crew arrived at the scene within the hour and later assisted with the transfer of passengers. The Herring Cove lifeboat arrived "after a hard five-mile row against a stiff head wind." With a registered weight of 5683 tons and a general cargo of 1400 tons, SS Uranium was stuck fast. Her crossbeams were apparently hooked over the boulders. Several tugboats made the effort over a period of four days. Finally, at 2:15 AM on January 17th, the steamer was freed from the rocks by Rappahanock, using a stout steel cable which snapped as the steamer jumped off the ledge into deep water. By daylight, SS Uranium was safely berthed at Furness Withy wharf in Halifax. In the meantime, the passengers were taken to New York via the New York, New Haven and Hartford railroad.

Newspapers of the day were full of such stories, many of which, like the Annie M. Pride, ended tragically. Local residents were often involved in heroic rescue measures, risking their own lives to save others.

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### Senior's Beat: Our storyteller

by Beverley Clarkson Every now and again we get lucky enough to encounter a story teller. Oh, not the big shot ones who make the glamorous tv programs or movies full of vampires and wars; not the ones who write murder whodunits or romance novels and especially not the ones who embroider the truth to get away with something they should not.

No, I'm speaking of the person who lives among us and observes our very own lives and knits them together into a narrative. Makes magic out of the mundane. In the old days, such people were well loved dinner guests. Special cakes and the good china came out when they visited homes.

They look right at us, and they bring magic and we, if we are wise, sit and let them weave their spell while we sink back into that childlike part of our own brain that doesn't get out much in this busy world. The world that bombards us with sensations and images and sound and fury; shoulds and shouldn'ts; pretty and plain: but in the end, we think: what about me? I'm inside here, I have a story too. But maybe I'm too boring. Not to them, they find the stories. And usually the best ones, though they adore mischief too.

There's a story teller in Sambro. Her name is Jeanne Henneberry. She's been here before, telling us about the great Lewie Henneberry (no relation), and I thought to write about herself this time. Foolish, thinking I could go and get her life story into one column. By the time my hand, after hours of notes, was wrung out she had barely got her grandmother back from Boston to marry a man fifteen years younger. But storytellers wander their own paths, and her own story winds in and out among others she brings along.

Lewie it seems was feeling lonesome after his wife passed on, and Jeanne was a recent widow. He told her wanted to visit her. "Well, I'd like that" she said, cautiously. "As friends." "How good friends" he wondered. "Oh good friends and neighbours. We can pray together." He said no more. Friends they remained. Then one day he called to tell her he had a piece of jewelry for her. Something she needed and deserved. Could he bring it over?

"What could it be?" she fretted. Was she going to have to hurt his feelings after all? Over he came, made her close her eyes and over her neck she felt something heavy fall. "Do you want to see what it was?" Jeanne asked me? Ha.

And off she went to another room. Came back wearing a lovely long white clattering necklace of sharks vertebrae. "We both sat there laughing and laughing." They stayed excellent friends.

Ah, but her grandmother. This smart girl left her hungry Nova Scotia home at fifteen to be a governess for a rich family in Boston in the 1800s. Her family couldn't afford to feed all the children and she went off to a wonderful life of comforts and finery and manners. Only the children grew up and the girl was going on thirty-six and the only way she could find to come home was to marry young Arthur Myra of East Dover. He built a room on his parents' house and that's where they lived. As governess, she'd had no other duties in Boston so knew nothing of housekeeping and cooking. Her husband, being very young, barely knew enough about fishing to catch the spring and fall mackerel runs. If he missed the fall, they

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(continued from page 13) home chapel, with Rev. Jeannie Manning Stright officiating. The family would appreciate donations to St. Paul's United Church, 173 Old Sambro Rd., Halifax, NS. Words of comfort may be sent to the family by visiting www.walkerfh.com

Ronald Lawrence "Ron" Schnare Age 63, Halifax, passed away February 14, 2014 in the V.G. Site, QEII. Born in Halifax, he was a son of the late Lawrence and Marie (Harzog) Schnare. Ron is survived by loving wife Nancy (Snow); daughters, Tracy (Paul) and

"had nothing in the pot but potatoes all winter". They had six children at home, including Jeanne's mother, who "almost died with every one."

Jeanne's mother, Nima, was raised by an educated woman though and as soon as she could, she moved to East Pennant to teach school. Says Jeanne, "in summer our mother would take us home to visit and we had to pick berries as there' d be nothing else to eat. Oh Lord, what poverty!" Because, you see, even though she was educated herself, Ada was a married woman who was not allowed by society to work. Starving was all right though, in those days.

Are you interested in what happened to this family? Me too! And we haven't really scratched the surface. So with your indulgence, we'll revisit Jeanne from time to time. Good things are worth savouring.

Kelly (Ronnie); sister, Shirley LeBlanc; brother, Peiter (Susan), all of Halifax; fourteen grandchildren; a great grandson; special nieces Nikki, Sam and Kimberly and several other nieces and nephews and a large extended family. He was predeceased by brother-in-law Moe. Arrangements were under the care of J. Albert Walker Funeral Home (2005) Ltd. Service of Remembrance was held February 18, in the funeral home chapel, Rev. Gordon Relf officiating. Family flowers only. Interment at a later date. Donations in memory may be made to the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Nova Scotia.

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# **Cora Cole joins Halifax Northwest Rotary Club!**



Pictured are new member Cora Cole, Halifax Northwest Rotary Club President Louis Buhrmann and sponsoring member Bruce Holland

Lifelong Spryfield resident, Cora Cole, was recently inducted as a member of the Halifax Northwest Rotary Club at the Club's regular meeting held at the Chocolate Lake Hotel. As is the custom, Cora was sponsored (recommended for membership) by member Bruce Holland. Mr. Holland said, "It is indeed a pleasure to welcome Cora into the Rotary family. Cora is a dedicated wife and mother who is committed to her family and to her community".

Cora is an Epidemiologist, who, for over 15 years, has worked with various levels of government and community groups. In 2012 Cora formed her own company, Move the Median Business Consulting. Cora and the Move the Median Team form a network of highly trained expert consultants.

When asked, Cora said, "having always worked in public health, I have always been impressed and excited by

the work Rotary is involved in, both locally and internationally, in the areas of disease eradication and prevention, making clean water and sanitation accessible and enhancing maternal and child health. These goals, along with the local club's dedication to helping specific programs and projects in the Spryfield and surrounding area make it a natural fit for me".

The Halifax Northwest Rotary Club creates positive changes in our community by supporting the Chebucto Heights Elementary School Breakfast Program; has recently extended the Adventures in Citizenship opportunities to students at J.L. Ilsley High School; and is about to introduce a new "Toonie" project that will raise funds for charities and non-profits in the Spryfield/Sambro Loop. The club has also recently entered into a partnership agreement with Capital Health and other Metro

Rotary clubs to build a Hospice Centre in Halifax.

If you or someone you know is interested in helping out on any of these initiatives by becoming a member of the Halifax Northwest Rotary Club, please feel free to contact Club Member, Bruce Holland at sdbc@eastlink.ca or 452-7472.

### **MLA and Premier visit Elizabeth Sutherland School**



Premier Stephen McNeil and MLA Brendan Maguire talk with students at Elizabeth Sutherland School A day after the election, newly minted Premier Stephen McNeil and Halifax MLA Brendan Maguire received an invitation from the students of Elizabeth Sutherland to come visit their school. Fast forward to January 31st: Premier McNeil and Brendan Maguire, with his wife and son, cheered on the players of the annual students vs. staff basketball game at ES school. After an exciting student victory by one point, both politicians took turns addressing the students in the packed gymnasium. McNeil stressed the importance of education

and hard work, while Maguire told a personal story about the impact of bullying and the importance of acceptance. Afterwards both visited classrooms and spent one on one time with the students, reading to them and fielding questions. Said Maguire, "I am so impressed with the youth at Elizabeth Sutherland. Not only did they ask some serious questions, but they are very politically engaged. They are another reason in a long list of reasons I am so proud to call Halifax Atlantic home!"

### Harrietsfield Elementary School Playground Committee



I am writing to you on behalf of the Harrietsfield Elementary School Playground Committee, an organization that is working for a new playground for our community's youth. Three years ago, we began to research what would be required to revitalize our playground area at Harrietsfield.

During our discovery period it was uncovered that our aged equipment was manufactured by a company that had been purchased by a larger manufacturer. There were areas on this equipment that were in need of repair or replacement. The new manufacturer no longer manufactured the pieces to replace parts, and if any modification was made, the whole piece would have to be brought up to code and that just wasn't possible.

With the help of the HRM, The Province, Counselor Steve Adams, and the Playground Committee, we are only \$10,000 away from our \$88,000 goal!

Your donation will bring us closer to our goal of \$88,000. Many business and community leaders are on board as well as hundreds of individuals. Our community is clearly excited and eager to see this project succeed! You can be a part of that excitement by supporting our youth with a donation. We are happy to acknowledge your donation on our website and at our numerous events, and will provide your company with a receipt.

I would like to thank you for considering this opportunity to partner with our organization for raising funds. If you have any queries regarding our organization, our fund management policy, or the project itself, please feel free to contact Joy Goodwin, at: playgroundcommittee 123@gmail.com or (902) 477-6191. To make a donation, please mail or drop off to: Harrietsfield Elementary School, 1150 Old Sambro Rd, Halifax, Subd. B, NS (902) 479-4230.

Our Sincerest Thanks,

Joy Goodwin

President, The Harrietsfield Elementary School Playground Committee

Brendan Maguire, MLA invites you to

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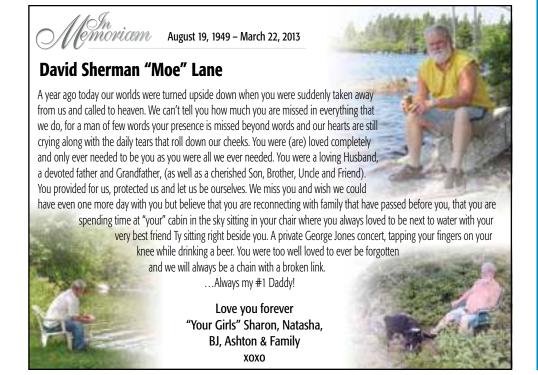
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# PEPS

George takes a perfectly cooked pizza out of the oven

Thornhill Pizza has been a Spryfield staple since 1969, when brothers George, Tom and John first opened the doors of the well-known establishment, rapidly managing to carve out a firm spot and leave an indelible mark on the local food map.

After almost four decades on the culinary scene, the time came for the brothers to hang up their aprons. However, for George, retirement did not live

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# **George is back at Thornhill Pizza!**

up to all the hype!

"I just got so bored after a few years. I got sick of just sitting on the couch watching TV or drinking coffee at the mall," he says. "I'd see a lot of old customers every day; at the mall, at the supermarket, at the bank, wherever you can imagine, and we would be so happy to see each other, because we really are old friends! It's like seeing a good,

old friend you haven't seen in a while. And they'd always say the same thing, something like: 'When are you coming back? When are you going to take over Thornhill again? We really miss your food!' Well, after a few years of boring retirement and after hearing these encouraging and warm words from old friends over and over again, I decided to

return to the place and the people I hold dear."

And so it was that George came out of retirement last year, launching his dynamic comeback—but with a twist: This time he has teamed up with his children, Pat and Peter, as well as his grandchildren, Lily and Alex.

'I am overjoyed that our family is running Thornhill once again,' George adds. 'And not one, not two, but three generations are involved in continuing a family tradition that my brothers and I started almost 45 years ago.'

Thus, three generations of the family find themselves not only at the helm but also behind the counter of the local 'institution.' They not only promise to do their utmost to reintroduce, retain and maintain the high quality and delicious dishes that made Thornhill well-known throughout Spryfield and indeed the whole city, but also intend to update the menu with fresh ideas and new dishes, which they plan to introduce to Thornhill's loyal and beloved customers over time.

After taking the reins, the family immediately brought back Thornhill's original menu and family recipes, much to the delight of customers, old and new. Since then, they have also added a few new items to the menu.

They are now poised to add some Greek dishes, including souvlaki!

"It's incredible how well-known Greek food has become in the past couple of decades," says Peter. "People's palates have become accustomed to such a wide range of tastes, flavours and dishes from such a diversity of national cuisines. Look at Greek food, for example—feta, tzatziki, souvlaki, pita, spanakopita, moussaka, Greek salad, Greek yoghurt, and so many other dishes and foods... they were all relatively unknown till the late '80s, but now most people not only know but love these foods. We feel that, being Greek and having grown up on these foods and dishes, we have a really good idea as to how these should be prepared and what they should taste like. I should also note that Alex is a chef trained in Greece, in fact. We hope to introduce our fellow Spryfielders to real, authentic, traditional Greek food—the way it really is, the way it should be."

It is in this vein that the family is preparing for Thornhill's first-ever 'Greek Week,' a culinary event slated to take place this month to coincide with, and honour, March 25, which is Greek Independence Day. (See www.thornhill-pizza.com for the Thornhill menu and check the site regularly for details and updates on 'Greek Week' and other events)

George is back!

# **Education Minister tours JL**



Earl Francis Spryfield Memorial Branch 152



**WE CARE** 



Group were all smiles in the halls of JL IIsley  $\,$ 

JL IIsley students and staff were treated to a much anticipated visit February 13th from Halifax Atlantic MLA Brendan Maguire, Justice Minister Lena Diab, School Board Chair Gin Yee, HRM school board Superintendent Elwin LeRoux and Department of Education Minister Karen Casey.

The tour was arranged by Principal

Gordon McKelvie and Brendan Maguire. The purpose of the visit was to promote the amazing things that are happening at the school, like the skilled trades program, Pathways, and the tremendous art that the school produces. But, as Brendan Maguire explained, the real purpose was to open eyes when it came to the needs of the school.

### **Pantless for a cause**

If you happened to walk through the World Trade and Convention Centre February 22nd, you may have been a little surprised by what you saw – over 500 people, minus their pants. It appeared to be a normal fundraiser with music, dancing and food. But this was no black tie fundraiser, that became very apparent when you went to check your coat: "We will take your pants, too," said the volunteer behind the desk with a grin. This was the Stanfield's "Pants Off for Prostate Cancer" event. Over 500 people danced, chatted and cheered for a great cause, and all in their underwear. Halifax Atlantic was well represented at the event. New MLA Brendan Maguire was present sporting a suit jacket and boxers.

"Allan Rowe (Dartmouth South MLA) asked me to support this great cause, and I was more than glad to come. This is a fun spin on a serious subject, and a very successful fundraiser. But I have to say, as much as I like Allan, this is the last time I want to see him with his pants off," said Maguire with a chuckle.

The Pants Off for Prostate Cancer stresses the importance of early screening. Prostate Cancer Canada recommends if you are 40 or older, you should be screened for prostate cancer.

"This school produces amazing students who go on to become valuable members of society. This school needs help and some TLC. From the first day I took office I have been working hard to bring that TLC to our high school. The purpose of this meeting was to show the Minister and the school board, first-hand, the issues this school faces and to secure funding to fix those issues. What does it say to the people of our community when our children have to be taught under a leaky roof?"

After a two hour walk about and meeting with staff, all left hopeful that change for JL is coming.

Said Minister Casey, "The work that goes on inside this school is second to none, but you do not see that when you first approach this school. We want to make sure that our school inside and out is welcoming to all that attend it and that the school has the means to provide our children with a world class education"



Showing their support for Prostate Cancer Screening are, from left to right: Joachim Stroink, Brendan Maguire, Alan Rowe

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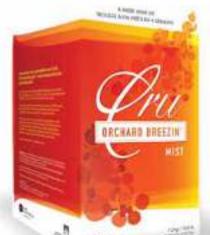


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# Chebucto News Sports Page



Front row, from left to right: Josiah Stevens, Ronan Clarke, Quinton Techentin, Liam O'Neil, Nick Flinn, Coach Todd Umlah. Second row: Kareem Bawazir, Ryland Baker-Spaargaren, Max Fournier, John Flinn, Luke Biggs, Nathanial Gebre. Back row: Coach Shane Spaargaren, Coach Tony Baker.

### **Express Jr. Mini Division 5 Champs!**

The Express Jr. Mini Boys captured the Metro Basketball Association in fine fashion with an overtime win over the Community Y Panthers. This group

of underage kids overachieved due to the commitment made by Coach Tony Baker and the parents.

### Newcomb leads the way for Chebucto with a 7 point night



Newcomb looks for a pass from the corner in 3rd period action

by Benny DeVine

The top line for Chebucto, Jacob Newcomb, Brock Townsend and Daniel Kline, scored 3 quick goals Saturday, February 22nd, on their first shift to stun the Cole Harbour Wings and lead their team to a 10-2 victory in a match up to see who would go on to the 2014 HNS Provincial Championships. The Atom AA Provincial Championships will be hosted by Halifax between March 21 to 23rd.

Newcomb ended the night with 4 goals and 3 assists, Kline had 2 Goals and 4 Assists and Townsend potted 1 and had 3 helpers. Stephen Purdy, Owen Kinsman and Cody Jollymore scored singles with Jillian Duggan and Cael MacDonald picking up single assists.

Cole Harbour scored second and third period goals. The scorers were Jacob Dickie and Lauren Beaton with assists going to Chris Parsons and Connor McCormack.

Jake Dodge and Ryan Douglas split the goal tending duties stopping 28 of 30 shots.

The game was played at the Lions Rink in front of approximately 200 people.

### **Nurse Pots 2**

by Benny DeVine

Brody Nurse opened the scoring in the first period Sunday, February 2nd, and then scored the winner in the third period to lift the Chebucto Atlantics past the Sackville Blazers in Chebucto's first game of the Atom A 2013-14 Provincial playdowns. Austin Lefort assisted the first goal while Chase Guthro drew an assist on the winner.

Hudson Murphy scored the lone Sackville goal late in the third period to close the gap to 1 goal but Noah Harvey closed the door for the rest of the game stopping 19 of 20 shots.

The game was played on neutral ice in Eastern Shore and the estimated attendance was 100 people.

### First Annual Volleyball Mini Tournament

by Benny DeVine

On the evening of Monday February 24, Sambro and William King Elementary hosted the first annual Volleyball Mini Tournament at William King Elementary in Herring Cove.

Mr. McDougall who splits time as the Phys - Ed teacher in Herring Cove and Sambro said "these Mini Tournaments are meant to give the kids that will be moving onto Junior High next Year a little look at what they can expect once they graduate from Elementary. Plus it is nice to give our Sambro kids some exposure in a full sized Gymnasium "

There were 6 teams involved in the Co- Ed Tournament with around 60 kids taking part. Westmount entered 2 teams and St Catherine's entered 1 team.

There were many teacher and parent volunteers on hand and there were plenty of fans cheering on the teams.

# **HP Atlantic Taekwondo hits the Canadian Open**

Returning home from Montreal, the Spryfield crew from HP Atlantic Tae-kwondo do it again. This year's Canadian Open was set to be one of Canada's best with 31 countries attending, including almost 1200 competitors. The

first day of the competition saw Hunter Carroll win the Jr Welter Division with his last two fights defeating Argentina in the semi-finals, and then beating a strong Quebec fighter 8-1 in the finals.



**Hunter Carroll** 

The second day of competition saw Jackson Carroll moving up from junior to fight in the senior division. In his first round fight, Jackson defeated the 2012 World Jr Champion from Chinese Taipei. Unfortunately, Jackson lost his second round match against a very strong competitor from Argentina who was gunning for the Carroll brother after his team-mate lost the day before to Hunter in the semis.



Jackson Carroll

The final day of Black belt competition put the younger sister, CC Carroll, onto the mat against a field split between both Americans and Canadians. CC

came out in fine fashion with a record of 4-0 and taking the Canadian Open Youth Title.



CC Carroll

Of particular note, that final day also saw HP Atlantic Athlete, Matt West, earn a Bronze in Men's Light Division and Kennedy Huestis fight her way to a Gold in Female Cadet which again solidified HP Atlantic as one of Canada's premiere competition gyms in Atlantic Canada under Coach, Kathy Pyke. Page 12 March 2014 • Chebucto News

# New playground coming to the Captain William Spry Community Centre by Linda Mosher, HRM Councillor, District 9

Most of last year's capital projects in our district have been completed: the commemorative street signs are up in Westmount; a new playground has opened in Bayers Westwood, and the walking path in Flinn Park is complete. Some of the larger projects are still underway. At Chocolate Lake, the accessible washroom facility and the pathways are nearing completion. The parking lot will be paved and sods put down this spring. Meanwhile, at Sir Sandford Fleming Park (Dingle), Lange's Rock Farm & Construction Ltd. continue to work on Phase II of the Northwest Arm Seawall Restoration Project. Work on a 150 metre stretch of seawall in front of the Memorial tower will wrap up in the spring.

Looking ahead, there are some important projects in the 2014-2015 budget, which Council will vote on in March. Of note is funding for projects at Fleming Park. The stairs leading down to Dingle Road from the end of Fleming Drive will be replaced. Moreover, there will be an allotment of \$625,000 for Phase III of the seawall restoration project – replacement of a 180 metre stretch of the wall, from the Memorial Tower to the beach. The wall is failing in several areas and starting to wash out in high tide or surge events. It will be constructed one metre higher than it is currently in anticipation of rising sea levels. Work on Phase III will not begin until September to ensure that



Also at Fleming Park, the Adventure Earth Centre will be expanded to include an outdoor shelter and classroom to increase programming space. The wood treatment is the environmentally friendly standard for lumber used in our parks. There will be a ramp to the lower portion to ensure accessibility for all community members. Measures have been taken to ensure that there are no alterations to the existing building as it is a Heritage Site and that there is as minimal impact as possible on the natural environment. There will also be a covered portion with picnic benches.

Not far from Fleming Park, in Ravenscraig, the trail will be completed. In Fairmount, work will also be underway on the Chain of Lakes Trail as part of the Lakeside Diversion project. When complete, the trail will be paved and ½ metre wider where possible. In Spryfield, a new playground will be installed at the Captain William Spry Community Centre.

Meanwhile, on the peninsula, the Flinn Park pathway will be paved and plowed for winter use; the Jubilee boat launch will be replaced; and the playground at Larry O'Connell Field will be upgraded.

Across our district and the municipality, you may have seen crews out pruning trees. This is a result of HRM's adoption of the Urban Forest Master Plan, which outlines the value in being proactive with street tree pruning. Damage to street trees – as well as nearby utility lines – can be avoided with more regular cycles of tree pruning, rather than simply reacting on an "as needed" basis whenever there is a problem. Regular pruning can also extend the life and improve the canopy of street trees. So far this year, tree pruning was done on Winchester Avenue and Melville

Avenue, both streets having been identified as priority streets by the municipality and Nova Scotia Power. Crews have also been out along Bell Road, Windsor Street, Robie Street, University Avenue, Vernon, Preston and Walnut streets. You will note that HRM continues to plant many street trees in addition to pruning to further enhance our urban forest. Indeed, Quinpool/Connaught was one of the first areas where trees were planted.

On a final note, as the snow melts, pot holes, debris and garbage become apparent. To register any of these operational concerns, please call our customer service centre at 311. Agents are on hand to assist you seven days a week from 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. You can also register any concerns on-line at www. halifax.ca/311.

# Community Grants Program deadline fast approaching by Stephen Adams, HRM Councillor, District 11

**HRM Budget Process** 

During the months of January and February, Council met on a regular basis to discuss our operating and capital budgets. The format for this year's process was a little different as we held sessions with various departments to ask questions regarding staffing, costs and services. Once we have heard from all business unit Directors, the budget document will be finalized and submitted to Council for approval.

As of the writing of this column, we have yet to discuss our capital budget. The capital budget outlines projects which are planned to be built in the upcoming year. Some examples would be playgrounds, sport fields, parks and municipal buildings.

Given our shorter construction season and the issue we face regarding weather, some approved projects may not get completed within the planned timeline; in fact, some projects may not get started this year. An example of this is the proposed swing set for the Williamswood ball field. This was supposed to have been installed a year or so ago, but, delays in one form or another prevented this project from proceeding. It should be ready for use this year.

Hockey News

The Spryfield Junior C Hockey Club swept the semi-finals against Barrington, outscoring them 29-12 in four games. Our fans that came to watch in Spryfield were treated to some incredible hockey. In speaking with a few who came out for the first time and were pleasantly surprised, I heard comments such as: "I didn't expect it to be that good" and "That is good hockey". Our schedule for the finals has yet to be determined. Please check www.spryfieldattack.com for the latest in news and game schedule.

HRM Community Grants Program
The 2014 -2015 HRM Community
Grants program is open for applications;
however; the deadline for submissions,
March 31, 2014, is fast approaching. It
is important to note that late applications will not be considered.

The HRM Community Grants
Program is a centralized program that
provides annual cash grants/tax concessions to registered non-profit organizations and charities located throughout

HRM. The portfolio is managed and administered under our Finance & Information, Communication & Technology business unit. The 2013-14 program year received 140 applications resulting in \$477,661 in funding awarded through 80 grants.

There are two types of grant available: a project grant of up to \$5,000 or a capital grant of up to \$25,000. Project grants are intended to help volunteers develop a new program or enhance existing programming and includes technical studies, marketing, small equipment, minor repairs, self-publishing, self-promotion, and special projects. Most awards are in the \$1,000–\$4,000 range. Capital grants are for buildings, land, and large equipment. The property must be owned by the applicant (i.e. not leased). Leasehold improvements are ineligible.

The program provides assistance to projects in the following categories: Environment, Recreation & Leisure, Affordable & Supportive Housing, Emergency Assistance, Neighborhood Safety, Community History, Community Diversity and Arts & Crafts.

(See Grants on page 13)



### Stephen Adams

HRM Councillor, District 11 Spryfield - Sambro Prospect Road

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# Now or never — a rallying cry for the future

by Brendan Maguire, MLA for Halifax Atlantic

With February quickly coming to a close (its seems like it was just yesterday that Shubenacadie Sam saw his shadow calling for an early end of winter), Nova Scotians have a more vital challenge than winter: turning around our economy.

The final report of the Nova Scotia Commission on Building our New Economy: Now or Never: An Urgent Call to Action for Nova Scotians makes a strong case for action and cooperation to secure our economic future.

Under the leadership of Acadia University President Ray Ivany, the independent commission engaged Nova Scotians from all regions of the province in a discussion about the province's economic future. The report proposes significant changes in the direction of Nova Scotia on three levels: Future Vision, Goals for Growth and Renewal, and Game Changer Strategies.

I encourage everyone to read the report and think about its implications for our own families and our community. The report is available at www.oneNS.ca.

This isn't just another political document. I believe that this report is a call to action for all Nova Scotians – to the private and not for profit sectors, community leaders, educators, universities and colleges, and all levels of government to work together.

Later this spring, I'll be organizing an opportunity for our community to share ideas and concerns with one of the authors of the report and other people involved in economic development. There are many people in Halifax Atlantic who are already doing great things, just as others are across Nova Scotia. We need more of this kind of enthusiasm, optimism and hard work.

On a personal note, this month was a great one for the Maguire family. Oliver crawled for the first time on February 19th; a prouder mom and dad you could

As always, please don't hesitate to contact me to share your ideas and concerns about the future.

Remember, I work for you.

### Grants

(continued from page 12) Matching funding is not required but applicants are encouraged to cost-share or seek assistance from other sources (for example: fundraising, other levels of government, foundations, corporate sponsors, etc.). The program does not provide core operating assistance (e.g. excludes salaries and wages, rent, office supplies, insurance, etc.).

There is a guidebook that outlines in detail the eligibility criteria for the program and for each of the funding sectors. The guide is updated annually and may be viewed at: http://www.halifax.ca/boardscom/bccgrants/CommunityGrantsProgram.html .The program guidebook and application forms are also available at our five HRM Customer Service Centres. The centre closest to our area is located at 7071 Bayers Road, 2nd Floor Towers, Halifax with the hours of operation being 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday to Friday. You

may also call our HRM Citizen Contact Centre at 3-1-1 for more information.

Tax Exemption for Non-Profit Organizations Program

The tax exemption program for nonprofit organizations offers conversions from commercial to the residential tax rate, or a reduction in property taxes, to registered non-profit organizations and charities that provide certain types of service to the community. Most groups are recreational associations, service clubs, social services, shelters, housing programs for persons with special needs, health groups, and cultural organizations.

Groups who have not applied to the program are encouraged to call Grants Program staff at 490-7310 to discuss their proposal and receive assistance in completing the application form. Staff will also provide guidance in identifying ineligible projects or expenses, or referral to other grants programs.

### **OBITUARIES**

(continued from page 14) bards and then Glen Margaret. She loved the numerous bus tours she took to Florida. Nashville, New York and New England. She enjoyed all the social activities with the Young at Heart Seniors Club especially darts and 45's. She traveled to Cuba and the Dominican Republic with family and friends. Mom had a green thumb and plants thrived whether in the garden, house, or as in later years on the deck. She passed on her love of sewing, quilting and knitting, teaching her daughter and daughters-inlaw. Mom made many special quilts for all her children, grand-children and greatgrandchildren, and recently her great-great nephew. She is survived by her sons, Darrell Davis (Debbie), John Davis (Karen), East Dalhousie, and daughter, Pearl (Scott) Foyers; grandchildren: Lisa Davis, Edward Davis (Michelle), Melissa (Scott) Sewart, Shawn Davis (Meghan), David Foyers (Courtney) Alaska.; great-grandchildren: Mikalah and Brayden Sewart, Josh and Lily Foyers, Lana Davis and Brooklyn Davis: sisters and brother-in-laws. Anne and T. William Odland, Alberta, and Marion Davis, Newfoundland. She has many nieces and nephews with special mention to April Reese, Marsha Milberry, Lucille Illsley, Sonya Youngquist, and Greta Aucoin. She has reunited with Dad (1921-1987) after 26 years of waiting. Predeceased by sisters, L. Greta, Esther (Stanley) Youngquist, and E. Marion, and brothers, H. Keith (Ferna), G. Vernon (Mable), Borden, B. Gilford (Dora), D. Fletcher (Dora) and Donald (Shirley). Cremation has taken place under the care of JA Walker Funeral Home (2005) Ltd., 149 Herring Cove Road. A memorial service was held on Friday, January 24 from Calvary Baptist Church, 91 Thornhill Drive, with Rev. Dennis Nickerson officiating. Interment will be held at a later date in Aylesford Union Cemetery. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Canadian Diabetes Association, 1400-522 University Avenue, Toronto, ON M5G 2R5, or a charity of your choice. Words of comfort may be sent to the

### Marjorie Mable Salter

Age 87, Lower Sackville. It is with broken hearts that we announce the passing of our beloved mother. With her family by her side, Mom passed away on January 30, 2014 at the Halifax Infirmary, QEII. Born in Halifax, she was a daughter of the late William James and Johanna Theresa (Smith) Salter. Mom was a Davidson Street girl from the west end of Halifax. In her early years she worked for Prudential Insurance Company and later for Coomb's Drug Store in Halifax. She was a WAC during the Sec-

family by visiting www.walkerfh.com.

ond World War. Her door was always open for family, friends and the neighbourhood kids. She loved to dance and taught many of us how to Jive. At the time of her passing, Mom was a resident of Saint Vincent's Nursing Home. Marjorie is survived by sons, Greg (Jean Hanson), Lower Sackville; Fred (Sandra MacKenzie), Spryfield; Thom Shields (Carolynn Mickie Hillison), Middle Sackville; eight grandchildren and two great grandchildren. Also leaving to mourn are sisters, Rene Salter, Halifax and Betty Barkhouse, Washington; brother, Dennis, Middle Sackville; sister-in-law, Marilyn Goucher; many nieces and nephews throughout Canada and the United States. She was predeceased by granddaughter, Kristy Lynn Salter; sisters, Connie in infancy, Lillian and Vivian; brothers, Bill and Ronnie; brother-in-law, Fred Barkhouse; sister-inlaw, Doe Salter. Many thanks to the doctors and nurses of the QEII emergency department as well as to the nursing staff of 4.1 for their care; a special thank you to all of the staff of Saint Vincent's Nursing Home for their compassion, care and love given to our mother and her family during her brief stay. Arrangements were under the care of J. Albert Walker Funeral Home (2005) Ltd. A funeral service was held on February 3 from the funeral home chapel, Rev. Gordon Relf officiating. Interment will take place in Fairview Lawn Cemetery. Memorial donations may be made to Saint Vincent's Nursing Home, 2080 Windsor Street, Halifax, NS B3K 5B2.

Thanks for the memories Mom. You did good.

### Valerie Lee (Harris) Nickerson

60, Halifax, passed away peacefully surrounded by her family in the Palliative Care Unit on February 5th, 2014. Born in Halifax, she was the daughter of the late Norma (MacDonald) Saunders and Raymond (Nancy) Harris, BC. Valerie loved spending time in her garden, cooking big family meals, baking and decorating cakes, but she especially loved spending time with her grandchildren. She will be fondly remembered and sadly missed by family, friends and all who knew her. Valerie will be greatly missed by her husband, Wayne, sons, Kenny McFarlane (Janice), St. Margaret's Bay, Robert Nickerson (Birgit), Halifax, and daughter, Terri (Craig) Parker, Halifax, as well as her grandchildren, Ashlee, Molly, Megan, Peyton, Jordyn, Jake, Rebecca, Natalee and Riley. The family would like to thank all of the staff at the QEII and VG Palliative Care Unit for all of their help and support during her time there. Cremation has taken place under the care of JA Walker Funeral Home (2005) Ltd., where a service in memory of Valerie was held February 10th, 2014 from the funeral

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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 tangelene@live.com

### MARCH EVENTS

### Boys and Girls Club of Spryfield (11 Aldergrove Road) Events:

— March Break Camps: Monday, March 10th – Friday, March 14th. 8am-5:30pm. \$100. Open to children ages 5-12. For more information and registration, please contact Samantha Snow at 477-9840 or email programmer@bgcspryfield.org

### **Captain William Spry Library Events:**

- Free Puppet Shows Every Saturday at 11am. All ages welcome
- Volunteer tutors needed for the Halifax Community Learning Centre's Adult Learning Program. Training and support provided. Please contact Pat at 490-5715 for more information

### **Captain William Spry Community Centre Events:**

- Get Your GED! 10 week course offered by the Halifax Community Learning Network. Please call 490-5715 for more information

### **Chebucto Community Health Team (16 Dentith Rd) Events:**

- Healthy Living-Know Your Numbers: 2 week program Monday March 17th & 24th from 1:30-3:30 (Girl Guides)
- Understand and Get a Handle on Pain: Tuesday March 18th, from 10:30am-12:30pm (Saint Benedict)
- Feel Better About Yourself: Thursday, April 3rd from 6pm to 8pm (wellness Centre)
- —PLEASE NOTE: People eligible for the programs are anyone who lives, works or has a family doctor in the communities of Clayton Park, Fairview, Rockingham Larry Uteck, Fairmount, Springvale, Armdale, Purcell's Cove, Spryfield and around the Sambro Loop. Please call 487-0690 or drop-in to register.

### **Chebucto Connections Events:**

 Volunteer needed to receive, organize and redistribute emails concerning community events, notices, etc. Contact bonnie@chebuctoconnections.ca for more information.

- Volunteer Board Members needed! Interested parties will want to be a part of a team that is actively engaged in making our community a healthy and vibrant place to live and work! Contact ccda.stecroix@gmail. com or 477-0964 for more information

### Earl Francis Spryfield Memorial Legion (7 **Sussex Street) Events:**

- Bingo every Sunday at 1pm. Mini Bingo at 6pm. Superstat Bingo at 7pm
- Seniors dances on Monday, March 3rd, and Monday March 24 from 12:30pm to 4pm. \$4 per person. Light lunch served. Door prizes, 50/50 draw, Music by Albert Martell. All seniors welcome
- St. Patty's Dance. March 15th from 9pm to 1am. \$8 per person. Band: Loop with Sam Moon and Gordie Duggan.

### Harrietsfield/Williamswood Community Centre (1138 Old Sambro Road) Events:

- Now accepting applications for part time work with afterschool programs.
- Friday Night Mixed Dart League with bar service. 8pm. \$5 to play Phone 403-1666 or 477-8749 for more information.
- Family Dinner Theatre, March 2nd @5pm. Sponsored and made possible by the AHF church group. Free admission

- Preteen St. Patrick's dance will be held March 13 from 6:30pm to 8:30pm with canteen service. \$3 per person. Supervision provided, parents welcome, (green clothing encouraged)

— Japanese Tai Jitsu classes begin March 5th for ages 4 and up. Fees vary. Contact Natasha at 293-7427 or Larry at 477-8749/403-1666

### **McIntosh Run Watershed Association** (Capt. Spry Centre):

- Meeting March 19th at 7pm. New Members Welcome
- Annual General Meeting April 16th at 7pm. Open to the public. New Members Welcome

### **Emmanuel Church Hall Events (322** Herring Cove Road):

- Dance: Saturday, March 8th 8pm to 12am. \$7 per person. Music by Bay City Band
- Pancake Supper and Bake Sale: Tuesday, March 4th from 4pm-6pm. Adults \$7

### St. James United Church (3811 Old Sambro Road) Events:

— Shrove Tuesday Pancake supper. March 4th from 4:30pm to 6:30pm All welcome

### St. Michael's Catholic Church Events (14 St. Michael's Ave):

— Annual Spring Luncheon Sunday March 16th from 12pm-2pm. Soups, rolls, hotdogs, gingerbread, tea and coffee. \$7per

adult, \$3 per child. Shop at the many tables set up as well! All Welcome!

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

- Recycling on the 3rd Saturday of the month. Drop off between 10am and 1pm. Or, call Elaine at 477-2376 or Jackie at 477-3776 to have them picked up
- Roast pork dinner with dessert will be served up on Saturday March 29th from 4pm to 6pm. Adults \$12, children \$5. Under 5 are free. Family of 4 (2 adults and 2 children) \$30. Tickets at the door. Takeout available.

### Quarter Note Singers (Captain Spry Centre) Events:

- Looking for New Members, especially men, to help balance our mixed membership choir! Have fun singing in a coffee house setting! Contact Steve Trussoni at 477-2664 for details

### **Urban Farm Museum Society of Spryfield** (Captain Spry Centre) Events:

- For further information, please contact Pat at 477-6087 or email iamac@ ns.sympatico.ca

### YMCA Events:

- Elderobics-Forever Fit classes. No registration necessary. \$4/per class plus annual
  - Emmanuel Church Hall on Monday,

Wednesday and Friday from 10am to 11am. — Captain William Spry Centre on

Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9am

### Young at Heart Club (212 Herring Cove

- Club meeting on March 4th at 1:30pm. New Members Welcome
- Cash Bingo on March 7th at 7pm
- St. Patrick's Day Supper with Irish Stew, roll, dessert, tea and coffee. Sunday March 16th from 4pm-6:30pm. \$12 per person. Children 6 and under \$6. Please call 477-7118 for more info
- Crib every Thursday at 1:30pm
- Darts every Thursday at 7pm.

### **Other Events and Notices:**

- Active Kids by the Sea meet Friday afternoons from 4pm to 5pm at Ketch Harbour Park. For more information contact activekidsbythesea@gmail.com
- Sorella Singers Women's Choir is looking for new members. They practice Tuesday evenings 7:15pm-8:45pm in the Melville Cove area. For more information, contact Catherine at 414-8114.

Be sure to check our Facebook page for late arriving events and changes or updates to listed events



YOUR COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME

Courtesy of J. Albert Walker Funeral Homes Ltd. 477-5601

### **Tristan Oliver** Halifax. Tristan passed away at home on

Wednesday, January 15, 2014 at the age of 16. He was born in Halifax, Nova Scotia, and was the son of Neville and Glenda (Voeltz) Oliver. Tristan was a grade 11 student at J.L. Ilsley High School and was the captain of the Judges Football team. He loved his family, playing video games, biking, working out, music and he would be there for you when you needed him. He looked to the future with hope, ambition and dreams and in his short life he had already made great strides towards achieving those dreams. Tristan was excited about being accepted into the Army Reserves and planned to continue with the military following graduation. Right before our eyes he grew from a precious baby to a stoic young man and we are all so proud of what he accomplished in his time with us on earth. Those of us left behind to grieve the loss of our beloved Tristan can only hope that he is at peace and that time will lessen the pain in all of our hearts. Tristan is survived by his parents, Neville and Glenda, and his siblings, Tyelisha, Tiffanee, Tyler and Tayh-Liyah, with whom he shared a loving childhood. Tristan also leaves behind his nieces, Brooklyn and T'Shyiah; best friend and nephew, Tyshon; maternal grandmother, Barbara Voeltz, all of Halifax. Tristan will be gravely missed by his many aunts, uncles, cousins and friends, especially "The Boys". He was predeceased by his paternal grandparents, Bertina and Eric Oliver; grandfathers, Gary "Dada" Voeltz and Martin "Papa" Miller; aunt, Gail Voeltz.

Arrangements were under the care of J. A.

Walker Funeral Home (2005) Ltd.. Funeral service was held on Monday, January 20 at the Spryfield Lions Rink, Rev. Lennett Anderson officiating. Interment will take place in Hammonds Plains Cemetery.

Our beautiful Baby Boy, We pray that you are at peace now. We love you, and we're so very, very proud of you. You were one of our precious gifts and we will cherish you forever.

Love, Mom & Dad xoxo

### Elva Joyce (Illsley) Davis

92. After a brief illness, Mom said good-bye to her family and passed away peacefully on January 18, 2014. Born on a farm in Dempsey Corner, Aylesford, NS on January 2, 1922, she was the daughter of the late Brenton H. and Fanny Pearl (Rockwell) Illsley. Elva was the last surviving member of her immediate family, having been the second youngest of her siblings. In her early years she attended Dempsey Corner School and was a member of Aylesford Baptist Church, she was involved in the many community activities including those to support the troops during the war. She moved to Halifax to see what life was and in 1952, she married John Frederick (Fred) Davis. Together they built the fifth house in the newly developing Thornhill Park, Spryfield and raised their family enjoying their home, neighbours and life in Spryfield since 1954. As a family summers were spent camping and when home, summer evenings were enjoyed around the backyard fire pit, where all were welcomed. In later years, Mom spent summers at her trailer in Hub-

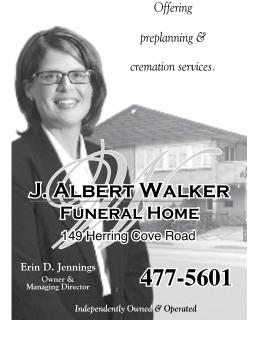
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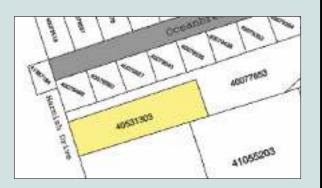
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