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Allyson Falconer, Jacquelyn Brokken, Rachel Hammond, Kelsey Webb, Pearse Sweeney, Richelle Tobin

Grease Slides into J.L. IIsley

By Sarah Boyle Everything was sliding along well with *Grease—the musical*! Between Thursday, April 20th and Saturday, April 21st, students at J.L. Ilsley showcased their acting and musical talents with five performances of Grease the musical.

The story takes place at Rydell high school where students find themselves subjected to peer pressure and the torments that their own hearts inflict upon them. Danny Zuko, the main male character, falls for the beautiful Sandy Dumbrowski, who in turn changes herself to be accepted socially, and accepted by him. The characters change throughout the play, but the audience's feelings towards them remain the same.

The capable cast included Chris Edgett, a grade 11 student who skillfully played Danny Zuko, the lead male. He was pleased to have been given this opportunity to share with his family and friends. Sandy Dumbrowski was played by the talented Ceilidh Bray, a grade ten student with a powerful voice. There was a strong supporting cast with the popular pink ladies acted by the gifted Kelsey Webb as Rizzo; Sarah Paynter as Frenchy; Allyson Falconer as Jan; and Jackie Brokken as Marty. As the T-Bird gang, we have terrific performances from Tyler Jollimore as Kenickie, Jean-Luc

(See Grease on page 2)

"Say no to drugs – say yes to bowling"

In an effort to provide local area students with wholesome recreational activities, Spryfield's Bowlarama has announced a new program called, "Say No to Drugs, Say Yes to Bowling." The program is supported and endorsed by the community's law enforcement agencies and local school districts.

"Say No to Drugs, Say Yes to Bowling" will provide thousands of dollars worth of free bowling and shoe rentals to local students during the summer months," stated Alice Morris, Bowlarama's manager.

The bowling center will provide a special identification card to every student in the Spryfield area. The card will entitle the student to one free game of bowling EVERY day from May through August. Bowling shoes are also included.

"Yes, it's a significant investment on our part" stated Morris. "But," she added, "We believe it's an investment in our community's future. Bowling is a lifetime sport that can be enjoyed by anyone – any age, any size, and any background. We believe this program will give the kids something to do this summer that is positive, safe and constructive."

In addition to the free bowling privileges, the students will be invited to participate in specially scheduled group activities and an end-of-season bowling party.

For more information about

the "Say No to Drugs – Say Yes to Bowling" program contact Alice Morris at (902) 479-2695.

Business Expo, Rink Sale and Pancake Breakfast

The Spryfield and District Business Commission is holding its 2nd an- for a yard sale, so clean out your nual Business Expo, Rink Sale and Pancake Breakfast at the Lions Rink on Drysdale Road on May 12th from 9 A.M. to 3 P.M. As well, the Boys

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and Girls Club will be renting tables basement and join them. For more details see the center page ad in this









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Wyatt Redmond, owner of Beaver Enviro, congratulates Pat Taylor for winning the 40" television in one of many draws held at the depot

Grease Slides into J.L. Ilsley

(continued from page 1) Lemieux as Sonny, and Mac Graham as Roger. Connor Booker was delightful as Eugene and Rachel Hammond was excellent as Patty.

All of the cast bustled about prior to the shows laughing and having fun. Pre-show jitters weren't an obstacle. In reference to the first show on opening night one cast member was quoted saying, "It was awesome."

Backing up the casts' beautiful voices is the pit band directed by J.L. Ilsley's music teacher, Mr. Burke, and composed of the school's students and "the Fuzz". Kyle Manzoni, Will Hansen, Britton Dempsey, Brody Conrad, Kathleen Gallant, Cst. George Farmer and Cst. Steve Saunders play their appropriate instruments in perfect harmony. To back up

the amazing dances is the choreography prepared by Mick Whelan. The aspects of the show unite to produce the remarkable results.

Everything was brought together through the work of the amazing director Zara Tufts. This was the director's first high school musical since she herself was a student, but her natural ability created professional results. She was happy to have such a committed cast, possibly owing to the fact that they were doing the play that they had selected themselves. In reference to the auditions, the director said that "Half came in with a Grease song or monologue,". She wanted to do it because they wanted to do it too. Ms. Tufts did not regret it. "We've had, like any production, our share of problems.

The cast has done a fantastic job to work through those problems."

The performance was a smashing success with full houses each night. Those who will be graduating were sad to say that this will be their last, but those attending the school next year are looking forward to the shows to come. "It will be near impossible to top this year," said one student. "But I look forward to the challenge.

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Chebucto Update with Mayor Peter Kelly, Halifax Regional Municipality



We live in hectic times. Life is much busier these days and most of us are in a hurry to be somewhere else. If you want proof, look no further than how fast (and how close) many HRM residents drive these days, and not just on the highways; increasingly, drivers are zipping around metro without regard for the 50 km/h limit.

Before I go any further, let me admit that I'm not perfect. In trying to meet all my commitments as a politician, I've had a ticket (or two) over the years. Even so, I'm definitely not condoning fast driving – quite the opposite. The fact is that we have a very dangerous situation developing on our roads.

Ironically, this is happening just as the HRM is making the effort to become a cycle-friendly community. As well as designated off-road trails, we

have almost 100 kms of on-street bike lanes with the newest section, a kilometre-long stretch on busy Hollis Street, expected to be ready by the end of June. Members of staff are also studying options for the most ambitious project yet - a major bicycle lane acting as a 'spine' connecting the north and south ends of the Halifax peninsula.

With today's fast-paced traffic sharing the same pavement as vulnerable cyclists, it is a recipe for disaster; especially when you also factor in the presence of pedestrians as well as other motorists. How bad is the situation becoming? So far this year, police in the HRM have written about 3,100 speeding tickets; that's a lot of drivers in such a hurry that they don't seem to mind lightening their wallets of several hundred dollars.

Speeders on the 100-series highways (especially highways 111 and 118) are a constant problem for police. Other areas where drivers like to put their foot down are: the north end of Connaught Avenue; Quinpool Road coming up from the rotary; Dutch Village Road coming down to the rotary; and Barrington Street approaching Cogswell.

The situation has reached the point where HRM staff receives a steady stream of calls from residents complaining of speeding in their neighbourhoods as well as other inappropriate behaviour by some drivers.

Something must be done and I intend to try. I have sent a letter to the provincial minister of transportation, on behalf of Council, asking that the HRM Traffic Authority be allowed to post maximum speed limits lower than 50 km/h in areas where it feels they are necessary, for example near schools, playgrounds, seniors complexes and on narrow streets. I believe that this is one way to help address the concerns of residents and to

create a safer walking, cycling and driving environment for everyone.

In the meantime, I'd like to remind all drivers in the HRM that life isn't supposed to be a race. I urge you to please slow down and obey the speed limits - for everyone's sake, including your own.

I welcome your feedback. Please contact me at kellyp@halifax.ca or phone 490-4010.

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DISCOVERING OUR PAST



A few vital statistics from the newspapers, 1855-1864

By Iris Shea

Northwest Arm connections:

Acadian Recorder, Sat. 21 Mar. 1857: On Sunday 1st Mar. after a severe illness, Mr. George Boutilier, formerly of St. Margaret's Bay (late of North West Arm) in the 66th year of age, leaving a widow and seven children.

Acadian Recorder, Feb. 16, 1861: An inquest was held on Monday on view of the body of John Martin Boutilier which was found Sunday afternoon lying partially on the inface of the ice near the shore of the North West Arm below Oaklands. The jury concluded from the evidence that the deceased, who lived on the Western shore of the NWA. in attempting to cross the ice some distant southward of the usual channel or place of crossing, slipped into the floe near the shore and became utterly powerless from the effects of the intense cold to extricate himself. The deceased, who was a decent respectable man, was proved to have been quite sober when last seen on his way home on Saturday evening.

Ferguson's Cove connections:

Acadian Recorder, Sat. 16 Feb. 1856: James Beverly, in his 30th year, eldest s/o William Beverly of Ferguson's Cove, died Sunday last.

Morning Chronicle, Friday, 21 Jan. 1860: Marriage Monday by Rev. Mr. Bullock, Mr. William Baker to Miss Mary J. Renner, both of Ferguson's Cove.

Acadian Recorder, Sat. 4 Feb. 1860: At Ferguson's Cove by Rev. J. Carmody, Charles Power to Elizabeth Glazebrook.

Acadian Recorder, Sat. 4 Feb. 1860: At Ferguson's Cove by Rev. J. Carmody, William Thomas to Miss Bridget Lynch.

Morning Chronicle, Thurs. 18 Feb. 1862: On 27th Jan. Mr. Samuel Glazebrook, age 71, a native of Ferguson's Cove and an old respectable inhabitant of Halifax, leaving wife and four children.

Morning Chronicle, Tues, 7 July 1863: Mrs. Isabella Glazebrook died

Sunday after a short but painful illness in 66th year of her life. Funeral Tues. Interment at Ferguson's Cove cemetery.

Ketch Harbour connections

Morning Chronicle, 5 Feb. 1856, John Martin married Miss Mary Jane Fagan, 28th Jan. at Ketch Harbour by Rev. J. Carmody.

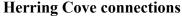
British Colonist, 5 Feb. 1856, William Connors married Mary Jane Mackey at Ketch Harbour, by Rev. J. Carmody, on 28th Jan.

Morning Chhronicle, Tues. 25 Nov. 1856, Mary Martin, 98, relict of late John Martin, on 15th Nov.

at Ketch Harbour.

Ann Burke.

Acadian Recorder, who died M Saturday, 4 Feb. 1860: At Ketch Harbour by Rev. J. Carmody, Mr. John Flemming to Miss



Morning Chronicle, Tues. 3 June 1856: Thomas Brown, died 29th June, a native of Herring Cove, leaving a widow and several young children.

Morning Chronicle, Thurs. 21 Aug. 1856: Angus Darrow (Darrach), 66, a native of Herring Cove, on 19th Aug. at Poor Asylum.

Acadian Recorder, Sat. 4 Feb. 1860: At Herring Cove by Rev. J. Carmody, Mr. John Hays to Miss Mary Bracket.

Morning Chronicle, Sat. 14 Feb. 1863: On Friday morning in her 42nd year Elizabeth Sullivan, wife of Andrew Sullivan and daughter of George and Ann Glazebrook after a long and protracted illness.

Bear Cove and Portuguese Cove connections

Acadian Recorder, Sat. 16 June



Stone in Ferguson's Cove Cemetery in Memory of Benjamin Purcell who died May 19, 1855, aged 57 years (Courtesy Allan Marryatt)

1860: At his residence in Bear Cove on Saturday 9th June Lawrence Johnston, Esq., one of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the County of Halifax in his 68th year, a native of Wexford, Ireland.

Morning Chr., Sat. 25 Sept.1861: Married at Portuguese Cove, Tues.

24th Sept. by Rev. J. Carmody at the residence of the bride's father, Mr. William P. Johnston of Bear Cove, s/o late L. Johnston, Esq., to Miss Susan Fitzgerald, d/o John..

Morning Chronicle, Thurs. 16 Jan. 1862: At Bear Cove on Monday, Mr. William Johnston, 49th year. Leaves widow and seven children. Remains interred at Ketch Harbour.

Morning Chronicle, Thurs. 10 Feb. 1863: Death at Portuguese Cove on 6th Feb. Mr. John Bowers, age 45, leaving wife and three children.

Morning Chr., Thurs, 3 Nov. 1864: Marriage of John Fitzgerald, s/o John of Portuguese Cove, to Elizabeth Pickle daughter of late Thomas of England, on Tues. 1st Nov. at St. Mary's Cathedral by Rev. Dr. Hannen. Boston papers please copy.

Purcell's Cove connections

Acadian Recorder, Sat. 3 Mar. 1855: Samuel Purcell, in his 6th year, died Friday at Purcell's Cove. Son of Samuel, Jr.

Acadian Recorder, 21 Apr. 1855: Samuel Purcell, Sr., 86, died Sun. at Purcell's Cove (oldest settler on that portion of the shore), leaving many descendants.

Acadian Recorder, Sat. 19 May 1855: Benjamin Purcell in his 58th year, died this morning at Purcell's Cove, leaving wife and 11 children.







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What's happening in our Community

by Carrie Forbes

Spring is definitely in the air, and there are signs of renewal and fresh energy across the Chebucto area. Here's some of what's happening:

Central Spryfield School: Congratulations to the teachers, students and parents of Central, who led a tremendous community effort to save the school from closure. A compelling argument was made to the school board by the group led by Sari Primeau, who convinced the board of the benefits of keeping the school open, particularly in light of the new developments within the area. New families with small children will thank you in the years to come.

Herring Cove Community

Dentistry: It's great to see empty spaces find a business, and it's great to see businesses expand. So, the move of Herring Cove Community Dentistry to the former Blockbuster location at 303 Herring Cove Road is surely "epic greatness". The new location isn't too far from the current spot above the Royal Bank on Herring Cove Road, so clients won't have to go very far out of their way for a cleaning.

Pavia Gallery Espresso Bar &

Cafe: One can only imagine how terrific summertime is going to be perched on the lovely patio at Pavia eating a cool, creamy ice cream cone. Or, perhaps enjoying a glass of wine or beer. Alongside their sumptuous espressos,

the folks at Pavia have expanded their offerings to include a variety of Italian wines and imported beers. Soon, the Pavia Ice Cream Shoppe will be a tempting destination for lake goers, cyclists, and well, everyone.

Spryfield Wellness Centre: The

folks at the Capital Health Community Health team are also launching a new set of programs throughout the community, including the Spryfield Mall. With offerings such as Basics of Heart Health, Weight Management, Breast Health, Budget Cooking and even Budgeting/Debt, it's a great time for a health 'spring tune-up'! For more information on programs, times and locations, visit the Capital Health Community website at https://cht.cdha.nshealth.ca/selectCourse.aspx?unitId=CHS.

Watch out — pedestrians and drivers

By Jennifer Begin

With warmer days and sunny evenings finally upon us, more and more people are dusting off their bicycles, lacing up their sneakers and enjoying the long awaited Spring weather. With an increase in pedestrians on the street, driver awareness and pedestrian safety are that much more crucial so everyone can enjoy the upcoming summer. In Nova Scotia alone, on average one pedestrian a day is involved in a motor vehicle accident. Of those accidents, three pedestrians are seriously injured and one pedestrian a month dies from a motor vehicle collision.

While injuries and death have been steadily decreasing each year in Canada from pedestrian related motor vehicle accidents, reports show that over 40% of the pedestrians fatally injured were under the influence of alcohol and at times over the legal limit. This shows that it is everyone's responsibility to remain safe and sober when on the streets, whether walking or driving. Both

drivers and pedestrians need to be more aware when approaching crosswalks and following a few simple tips will ensure everyone arrives safe and sound:

Pedestrians

- Wear bright reflective clothing in early morning and evening, especially if going for a run or cycling
- Make eye contact with the driver; just because you see them doesn't mean the driver sees you
- Watch out for turning vehicles; they may not be looking for pedestrians
- Pay attention for cars that won't stop; not all drivers obey traffic laws
- Hold children's hands; children like to run out in the street cutting down on the reaction time for drivers
- Always use crosswalks; don't jaywalk

Drivers

- Come to a complete stop at least 10 meters from the crosswalk; do not block the crosswalk
- Wait until pedestrians have fully crossed the road before proceeding
- Never pass a stopped car at a crosswalk, be patient
- Be aware of children, especially ones without adults. They tend to dart out and run across the street
- Make sure your lights and windshield are clean
- Slow down! Especially in school and playground zones.

Following these simple tips will ensure everyone gets to experience a few more beach days, BBQs and road trips, because before we know it, Winter will be here again.

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May the month to celebrate our Mothers

By Bobbie Jo Ferguson-Hill, RMT On May 13 we will all celebrate those wonderful women we call mom. These women can appear in our lives in many ways, as the woman who actually gave birth to us, our mother-in-law, our stepmom, adoptive mom or just a woman who has appeared as a friend or mentor. In every case these women are to be celebrated and appreciated.

There are as many ways to celebrate mom as there are moms out there. Their gracious contribution to our lives should be met with gratitude and joy. When choosing how to celebrate these all-knowing all-sacrificing women in our lives we must look at who they are and what they do for us in order for our tribute to them to be worthy.

Traditional offerings to these unsung heroes in our everyday lives are brunch, flowers and maybe even a break in the form of a day off or a day at the spa. These are great ways to say "thank you mom" so let's look a bit harder at the particular woman in our lives we want to celebrate. Let's look closely at how she loves and help her recharge her batteries. The following is a look at the five ways to show love. I found these in a book (recommended by a loving friend) called The Five Love Languages by Gary Chapman. Although the book was aimed at spousal love I believe that it is our Mothers who truly teach us how to love.

Make sure the gift fits the mom. We all show our love in different ways, your

mom has been showing you how she gives and receives love your whole life.

If she is a "gift giver", you know big bows, flashy wrapping, "a gift at every occasion she can think of" kind of mom than make sure there is a flashy well thought out gift for her.

If she has always shown her love through her "kind words" and complements you may want to consider a handmade card with your own words of encouragement and love for her.

If your mom has shown you over the years her most precious gift to you is her time than give her yours, set aside the whole day to spend with her, maybe even drag out all those old photos and listen to

her stories about your antics as a kid.

If your mom is a "doer" and takes pride in doing things for you and the family; things like laundry, cooking, cleaning, organizing your life etc. then maybe it is time to give mom a day off and "do" for her, spend the day attending to her every need.

If you mom relies on "physical touch" to show her love, with big hugs and lots of time to snuggle, then make sure a part of this day of tribute includes a hug at least 3 seconds longer than normal, an arm around her shoulder at every opportunity and holding her hand while she talks and you listen.

Maybe your mom falls into more

than one of these categories; customize her day for her and show her that all the love she has shown you has not gone unnoticed. Remember to say the "magic words" ... THANK YOU. One of the greatest gifts you can give anyone is your gratitude. To say Thank you to your mom and be able to explain what you are thanking her for, recognizing each small act of kindness and sacrifice she has made for you over the years. This will fill her heart and give her enough joy to guide her through until next year when we celebrate again. Happy Mother's Day!

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Briarwood Is open — time to tee off

Dust off the clubs folks, Briarwood has all 18 holes open and is drawing lots of positive reaction from those who have been out for a round. Manager Tim Bodgers is pleased with the excellent support he is receiving from the community, but he is not surprised. Tim was overwhelmed last year with all the support he received when he re-opened the course and is pleased to see that support growing already this year. The course is now open dawn to dusk with no reservations required. For businesses, sponsorship of some individual holes is still available, just give Tim a call at 440-2363. For more information check out www.briarwoodgolfclubhalifax.com.



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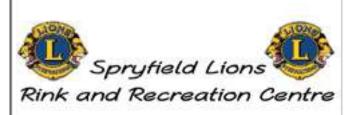


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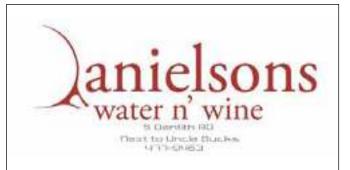
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Chebucto Community Health Team Profile Series Karla Moore

By Lorrie Boylen

Need help improving your health or achieving a better lifestyle but don't know where to start? Karla Moore of the Chebucto Health Team can help you find your way. Her position as Health and Wellness Navigator is a fairly new position within Capital Health since January 2011. The position evolved from community conversations several years ago which indicated a need in this area. Karla was thrilled with this new challenge in her career.

What exactly does a Health and Wellness Navigator do? She helps people navigate the health care and community systems, linking people with resources such as diabetes management, cardiac rehabilitation, mental health programs, and access to Family Pharmacare for those who struggle with the cost of their medications. Want to take a yoga class? Are you a homebody who wants to get out more but you don't know where to start? Want to locate a seniors' group? She can help with all that and more! Professional referrals are not necessary and clients are encouraged to self-refer and be proactive in their quest for a better life. Karla usually meets with clients within a week of initial contact. 1-5 meetings may be required, depending on their needs, and in some cases she assists with filling out forms if there are reading/writing difficulties, or if English is not the client's first language.

Karla spent 22 years as an occupational therapist in the mental health



Karla Moore

system, which has provided her with many useful tools. In addition to individual navigation consultation, Karla also leads the emotional programs that the team offers. She loves seeing the group interact and help each other by sharing their own experiences. She gets a great deal of satisfaction helping people and enjoys hearing success stories of how she and the rest of the team have made a difference in peoples' lives. She'd love to see a compilation of these success stories in the future.

What else does Karla see for the team in the future? She'd love to be busy busy busy doing what they're doing now, but more of it. They offer a wide variety of group programs and services both onsite and at other locations as needed, and they are continuously re-evaluating the programs to suit the needs of their

clientele. She would like to see more partnerships with other agencies. The long term goal of Capital Health is to make Health Teams available to all of HRM, but for now there are only two, in Chebucto and Dartmouth.

While all members of the Health Team help folks navigate the system, Karla provides more in depth and specialized help to individuals. Find out how Karla and the rest of the team can help you make your life better. Call 487-0690 or drop in and make an appointment. (Lorrie Boylen is a Freelance Writer and Virtual Assistant who lives and works in Sambro)

The Green Team on Climate Change

By Carolyn Mont

The United Church of Canada has long been involved in issues with respect to climate change. As part of this concern, they are members of the Canadian Council of Churches (www.councilofchurches.ca). This larger organization, representing 85% of Christians in Canada, has asked members to take action by circulating a petition called the Canadian Interfaith Call for Leadership and Action on Climate Change PETITION. Leaders of over 30 faith communities in Canada have signed it in hopes of building support for more positive Canadian action with the UN and within Canada.

As a member of the United Church of Canada, St. Paul's United Church in Spryfield has an active Green Team whose purpose is to respond to these issues in a way that seems practical to us. By and large, we see this as a way to bring climate change realities to the members of our congregation and, when possible, to the community at large.

We asked members of our church to sign this petition and then brought it to Megan Leslie, our Member of Parliament, to present in the House of Commons.



Pictured above are Carolyn Mont, Megan Leslie and Bertha Wentzell





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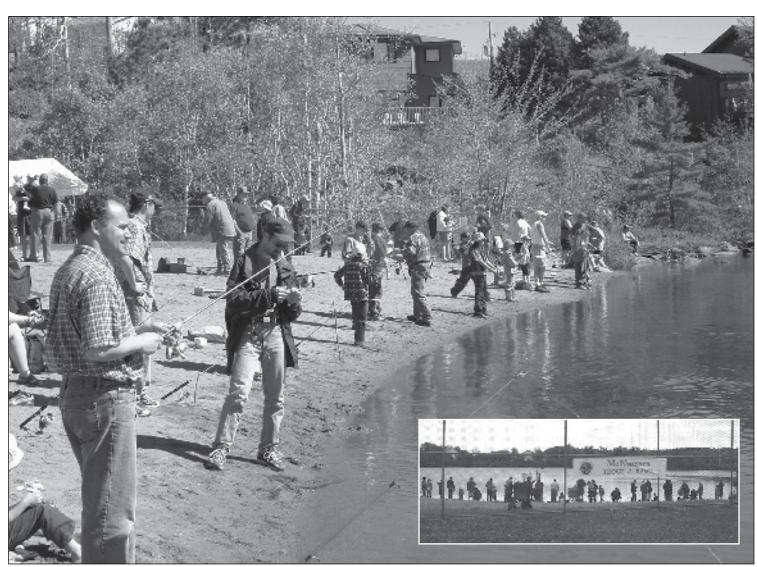


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McNamara Trout-A-Rama Twentieth Anniversary 2012



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This is a great family event, always held on the first weekend in June which is the Nova Scotia Sports Fishing Weekend. On this weekend a fishing license is not required by adults. The McNamara Trout –A- Rama is open to all children between the ages of 3 and 16. Children twelve (12) years and under must be accompanied by an adult. There will be many door prizes as well as prizes and trophies for the largest, longest, most and tagged Trout. The regular fishing limit of 5 fish will apply. The Trout are supplied by the department of Fisheries and Aquaculture and they are part of their regular stocking program.



Halifax Wildlife Association will have a number of fishing rods available for loan and will also provide the bait.

The objective of this event is to introduce children between 3 and 16 years of age and their parents or guardians to fishing as a family sport. Also emphasize the need for catch limits and the importance of leaving the area clean.

This is a great community event and a fun day for the children and their families as well as our organization and volunteers. A free lunch of hot dogs and a drink will be served. There is no charge for the event due to the generosity of our Gold sponsors, - Lumber Mart, Doris McNamara and our Silver sponsors – Ok Tire, Fishing Fever, Spryfield Canadian Tire, Green Diamond, Better Buy Sports and Halifax Wildlife Association.

For any additional information please contact Bob Blom 477-0178.

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Dingle Tower reopening for Natal Day party

By Linda Mosher, HRM Councillor, District 17

Restoration work is continuing on the Memorial (Dingle) Tower. Council approved another \$650,000 in the recent budget in addition to the \$900,000 that was expended the previous year on repairs. The extensive exterior masonry work is essentially completed with the exception of minimal work required on the granite base. The interior restorative masonry work is almost finished as well. The following are some of the remaining projects to be completed: restoration and installation of observation deck screens and refurbishment of deck; electrical work; construction and installation of flag holders; penthouse refurbishment; interior stair work; window installation; refurbishment of the main door; and landscaping/ site cleanup. The interior plaques have been restored to the best possible condition. The brass plaques were sent to Ottawa for restoration and will be re-installed. The bronze lions do not have to be removed and will undergo another wax treatment to further seal the surface. The estimated time line for completion of all projects is July 31, 2012. When the work is completed the tower will be open to the general public. We are planning to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the official opening of the Memorial Tower during the 5th Annual Dingle Natal Day Party. The Mainland South Heritage Society is organizing the heritage aspects of the event in concert with various community groups such as the Northwest Arm Heritage Association and the Armdale Yacht Club. They will be hosting many events such as historic re-enactments and a heritage display. HRM has approved a funding grant of \$10,000 plus HRM staff time and resources for this historical event. It will be a fun day with something for everyone, so please mark August 6th, 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. on your calendars to celebrate our area's history and spend some time with your neighbours.

There is also significant work being done on the Dingle seawall section of the Northwest Arm. Changing sea levels and weather conditions have had a negative impact on the historic seawall. The new seawall is being constructed with granite blocks to reflect the existing aesthetics. For safety reasons there will be temporary closures where the

work is being performed. The first phase cost \$612,000. For more information about the seawall please go to www.halifax.ca and enter "Coldwater Consulting shoreline restoration report" in the search bar.

Back in 2009, I proposed that we implement a 311 system to enhance the public access to HRM. 311 is a single number to contact HRM for ANY non-emergency concern. Instead of having multiple numbers, we would have 311 for any municipal services and 911 for emergencies. Although the CRTC gave all municipalities the ability to have 311 years ago, HRM needed to make progressive changes to our call

centre to get to the point that we could seamlessly implement the 311 system. Director Brad Anguish and his staff have advanced our current call centre, 490-4000. This call centre was a good first step, but there remains too many other numbers residents use to contact various municipal departments which creates confusion. Rather than provide a plethora of phone numbers for residents to contact HRM for non-emergency services, residents will soon be able to make one call to City Hall. This will reduce confusion of what department to call, or having to leave a voice mail and waiting to receive information. Cities that have 311 have reduced calls to

911 which greatly improves emergency response times. 311 can be an effective management tool that can generate real time reports to be used to track trends, issues, and efficiencies. HRM's 311 service will allow us to consolidate operations, provide superior customer service and implement enhanced call routing. When HRM implements 311 this fall, it will be available from 7 a.m. - 11 p.m. seven days a week including holidays and multi-lingual services will be available. Funding for public communications and appropriate staffing to meet the anticipated call demands was built into the approved budget.

Far reaching implications for Canadian aquaculture By Megan Leslie, MP for Halifax

The riding of Halifax has an incredible maritime connection, particularly through our fishing communities like Sambro and Ketch Harbour. Fisheries are an extremely important component of the Canadian environment and economy. The protection of marine animals and the lakes, rivers and oceans in which they live is vital if we hope to maintain healthy populations of fish and other animals that depend on them, including bears, eagles and herons. Recognizing this, Parliament voted to add section 35 to the Fisheries Act of Canada in 1976, which protects the ecosystems and habitats that support our country's aquatic animals. These legislators understood what we know to be a critical concept of today's environmental regulation: giving free reign to corporations to exploit Canada's rich environment will have disastrous consequences for future generations.

Unfortunately, this concept appears to be lost on today's government. Documents have been leaked from the Department of Fisheries and Oceans that show that the Conservatives plan to strip section 35 of its force. Right now, section 35 bans any activity "that results in the harmful alteration, disruption or destruction of fish habitat" and requires an environmental assessment for any

project that could impact fish habitat. The changes proposed remove this requirement, only preventing an action "that results in an adverse effect on a fish of economic, cultural or ecological value." What's more, the Minister of Fisheries can authorize even those activities to be harmful to these marine populations.

This dangerous rewrite has far reaching implications for Canadian aquaculture. Not only has the provision protecting habitat been scrapped, but now only fish of "economic, cultural or ecological value" are protected. What exactly does this mean? The government has repeatedly demonstrated that it is incapable of fairly determining what is of ecological value. What will happen to fish that are deemed not to be of economic value? Will they simply be eliminated?

Keith Ashfield, Minister of Fisheries, said recently that updates are needed to this "outdated" legislation, which he says does not adequately balance economic and environmental protection. He has said he merely wants to assist Atlantic fishermen in doing their jobs. But Atlantic fishermen have spoken out recently, saying they fear excessive industrial control in their waters may be harmful to their livelihood.

I am proud to say that myself and my

colleagues are working hard to protect the Atlantic fisheries and we are fully committed to balancing the economic and environmental implications of action in the area. Fin Donnelly, NDP Critic for Fisheries and Oceans, recently travelled to Halifax to meet with representatives from the Eastern Shore Fishermen's Protective Association, the Guysborough County Inshore Fishermen's Association and the Halifax West Commercial Fishermen's Association to discuss the Atlantic fisheries. Having the opportunity to speak with these groups has offered a great deal of insight into the needs of Atlantic fishermen.

It is with these concerns in mind that I seek to defend habitat protection in the Fisheries Act of Canada. Changing the clause will have disastrous impacts on our fish habitats in the Atlantic and across the country. Eliminating these provisions would make it extremely difficult to trigger an environmental assessment for potentially harmful projects, leaving the government free to push potentially harmful industrial projects, the Northern Gateway pipeline, for example, with very little oversight. The potential loss of marine species would be devastating, and once they are gone, there is no way to get them back. We (See Far reaching implications on p.13)



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Central Spryfield School to stay open

By Stephen Adams, HRM Councillor, District 19

On Wednesday, March 28 our community received some good news, in that Central Spryfield School would remain open.

Anyone who has gone through this process can attest to the stress and pressure that is endured. The children and parents face an uncertain future. Staff at the school is also on edge, as they are concerned about the children and the possibility of their school being taken away. However, everyone came together and rose to the occasion and helped convince the School Board to keep our school open. I am proud of everyone's efforts.

I haven't written about the rink updates in some time, as a finish date had yet to be finalized. However, progress is being made and the showers/washroom component should be completed within a month. These upgrades will give our rink a fresher look, and will help icetime rentals during the day. HRM is committed to further improvements in both the short and long-term.

On Tuesday, April 3, Council approved our 2012-2013 Capital and Operating budget. This document outlines our plan for expenditures for the upcoming fiscal year. These expenditures are for police, fire, works and all other services provided by HRM. This budget also outlines capital expenditures, such as roads, playgrounds, sport courts and other assets.

This budget has a number of projects for District 18, some of which include, but are not limited to, resurfacing of part of Theakston Road from Civic #8 to Inspector Court, part of the back stretch of Old Sambro Road and Herring Cove Road (Arthur Street to Sussex Street) that will also be done. This was scheduled to be done last year; however, I had asked for a delay, so that we could improve the streetscape first. It makes no sense to do street work, only to tear it up a year later.

I have also committed funding for playground upgrades at Central Spryfield School, Sambro Elementary, and Graves Oakley. If you have an idea to help with recreation in our district, please send your requests to me and I

will do my best to accommodate them.

The approved budget includes a tax rate reduction for residential and commercial property owners and highlights Council's priority of an enhanced transit service. The budget reduces residential property tax rates by 5.5 percent and commercial property tax rates by 5.8

More information can be found at: http://www.halifax.ca/budget/index. html.

As always, should you like to discuss this or any other matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Far reaching **implications**

(continued from page 12) have to make decisions now to protect our environment, rather than continue to push them off the agenda and leave the problems for future generations. By then it may be too late to reverse the damage we have done to our environment.

Time and again this government has favoured corporate interests over the protection of the environment. Stephen Harper and Natural Resources Minister Joe Oliver have made clear their distaste for environmental protection that hampers industrial exploitation of our lands and waters. But there is a reason that regulations like section 35 exist - they are vital to the protection of Canadian ecosystems, including fisheries. The systematic dismantling of our environmental regulations will have adverse impacts on today's fishermen in Atlantic Canada. The longer term effects, for our animals, our environment, and future generations of Canadians, will be nothing short of disastrous.

To contact me about this issue, or other concerns you have, please write to megan.leslie@parl.gc.ca, or 1-2207 Gottingen St., Halifax, NS B3K 3B5.

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Rd. Halifax (477-5601), where a funeral service was held on Sunday, March 25. Memorial donations may be made to MD Society of Canada. Words of comfort may be sent to the family by visiting www. walkerfh.com. A special thanks to the nursing staff of the 4th floor Arborstone Enhanced Care for there care and compassion during Bernie's stay.

BLOM, Alice Irene

98, Halifax, passed away peacefully surrounded by her loving family, on Friday, March 23, 2012, in the Melville Lodge Nursing Home. Born in Halifax, she was the daughter of the late Ernest and Irene (Redmond) Purcell. Alice was the owner and ran the general store in Portuguese Cove for many years. She was active in the Liberal party, and other community organizations, Alice was a very kind person and will be greatly missed. She will be lovingly remembered and never forgotten by sons; Gerald (Betty), Robert (Colleen), Alan (Ann) and Paul (Karen) all of Halifax; 8 grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren, sister Venita, brother, Cyril, many nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by husband, Fred, sister, Thelma, brothers, Ross, Arthur and Vern. Special thanks to the staff of Melville Lodge for their compassionate care and support. Cremation has taken place under the direction of J. A. Walker Funeral Home (2005) Ltd., 149 Herring Cove Road, Halifax (477-5601). Service of remembrance was held on Monday, March 26 with burial in St. David's Cemetery, Portuguese Cove. Donations in Alice's memory may be made to the Alzheimer Society Nova Scotia. Words of comfort can be sent to the family by visiting www. walkerfh.com.

DWYER, John

81, Williamswood, passed away peacefully on Sunday April 1, 2012 in the Halifax Infirmary, QEII. Born in Carbonear, NL, November 24, 1930, he was a son of the late John and Roseanna (Kehough) Dwyer. John had worked on the U.S. Naval Base, Stephenville, NL. Worked for the city putting in sidewalks in Halifax, then in 1960 started working as a Stevedore for 30 years until his retirement. He was a jack of all trades, always helping family, friends and neighbors. He enjoyed hockey, loved his music, horseshoes, darts, cards, and bowled with Joe's League and Pro League. John is survived by his loving wife of 54 years, Shirley (Keating); sons, John (Linda), Ronald (Pattie), Gary (Pam); daughters, Donna (Calvin) Martin, Peggy (Mont), Joanne (Roger) Pippy, Margaret (Chester) Stewart, Corene (Terry), Michelle (Fred) Thompson; brother, William (Bill), Carbonear, NL.; sisters, Mary Romo, Genevieve Bonang, both of Dartmouth, Margaret (Eve) Brewer, Kline Heights, Margaret Rose Mayer, Jefferson, Wisconsin; grandchildren, Darin, Erin, Curtis, Stephanie, Laura, Sarah, Joslyn, Victoria, Mathew, Seretha, Alicia, William, Kristy, Alan, Corey, Kelsey, Trisha, Dana, Cody, Devin; great grandchildren Adrian, Alexander; and lots of nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by brothers, James, Kevin; sisters, Kathleen, Catherine, Susannah, Ellen and Elizabeth. Arrangements were under the care of J.A. Walker Funeral Home (2005) Ltd. (477-5601). A funeral mass took place on Wednesday April 4, from the

St. Michael's Roman Catholic Church, St. Michael's Ave., Spryfield.Interment to take place at a later date. Donations in memory may be made to the Heart & Stroke Foundation of Nova Scotia or the Canadian Hemophilia Society. A special thank you to the nurses and doctors at the Halifax infirmary 8.4 for your loving care and support and to Dr, Matheson, Spryfield Medical Centre, many thanks to Sister Johanna and all who visited in the hospital and at home.

WHITE, (Yeadon) Dorothy Catherine 78, Halifax, passed away peacefully, surrounded by family on Saturday, April 14, 2012 in the QEII Health Sciences Center. Born in Spryfield, she was a daughter of the late William and Winifred (Jarrett) Yeadon. Dorothy worked for many years as a House Mother at the Home of the Guardian Angel and subsequently in Toronto at the Rosalie Hall Home for Unwed Mothers. She loved to bake and she was a Mother to all, welcoming everyone into her home with open arms whether she knew them or not. No one would ever leave hungry, her spaghetti and banana bread was the talk of the White's house. Dorothy's faith was important to her as was her family. She will lovingly be remembered and never forgotten by her children, Kevin, Kerry, Kim, Karen, and Kara; Daughters and Sons in Law, Laurie, Pam, and Darren. Grandchildren, Jason, Skylar, Justin, Alicia, Keanu, Tristin and Troy; former sons in-law, Danny and Troy; brothers, Billy, Bernie, and Ronald Yeadon Sister in Law Nancy; as well as her many nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her husband, Alfred White and 11 siblings. Arrangements were under the direction of J. A. Walker Funeral Home (2005) Ltd., 149 Herring Cove Road, Halifax (477-5601). Funeral service was held on Wednesday, April 18 from the funeral home chapel. There was a private family burial. Donations in Dorothy's memory may be made to the Heart & Stroke Foundation.

MacLean, Bradley Wilfred

72, Halifax, passed away peacefully on April 17, 2012, at the Halifax Infirmary, QEII. Born in Glace Bay, he was a son of the late Wilfred and Marguerite (Jones) MacLean. Brad was an avid sports enthusiast, playing and coaching hockey for many years with Cliff Pelham (Halifax) and Donnie Neet (Halifax). He also played football, softball and his favorite sport, curling. Brad was well known for his knowledge on the statistics of hockey teams, players, as well as football teams. He loved travelling with Lynn to Florida every year on vacation and enjoyed watching his children participate in sporting activities also. Bradley is survived by loving wife Lynn (Brackett); sons, Robert, Alan, both of Halifax; daughter, Dayna MacLean, Herring Cove; brother, Norman (Carol), Sudbury, ON; sister, Roberta Lord (Don) Bedford; sister-inlaw, Agnes, Herring Cove; granddaughter Hali. He was predeceased by brother Howard. Arrangements were under the care of J.A. Walker Funeral Home (2005) Ltd., (477-5601), 149 Herring Cove Rd. A service of remembrance was held on Friday April 20, at the Earl Francis Legion, Spryfield. Donations in memory may be made to the Alzheimer's Society of Nova Scotia.

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Chebucto News Community Events

To have your Community Event listed call or fax us at 477-NEWS or send e-mail to tangelene@live.com

COMMUNITY EVENTS FOR MAY

URBAN FARM MEETING: The Urban Farm Museum Society of Spryfield will hold its monthly meeting on Monday, May 14th, 2012, 7pm at the Capt. Wm. Spry Community Centre. Volunteers and new members welcome. For further information, please call Pat @ 477-6087 or email jamac@ns.sympatico.ca

Also at the Urban Farm Museum: Come Grow With Us: "A gardening program for children, youth and families." Please contact Pat at 477-6087 or email jamac@ ns.sympatico.ca for further details.

McNabs and Lawlor Islands Beach Cleanup Sunday June 3 (rain date- June 10) Time: 10 am – 5:00 pm

Location: Meet at Murphy's on the Water, Cable Wharf, on the Halifax Waterfront before 10 a.m. Space on the boat is limited to 190 people and available on First Come, First Served basis.

Bring work gloves, drinking water, a lunch and ENTHUSIASM. We will supply the garbage bags and FREE transportation to the island for volunteers willing to clean up the beaches.

Groups of more than ten persons must pre-register with the Friends of McNabs Island by calling Cathy (434-2254 evenings) or Faye (443-1749) or e-mailing mcnabs@chebucto.ns.ca. Visit www. mcnabsisland.ca or our Facebook page for more details.

Urban Farm Plant Sale Annual plant sale, sponsored by Urban Farm Museum Society of Spryfield, Saturday, May 26 th at Captain William Spry Community Centre, 10 AM to 12 Noon. Accepting plant donations Friday evening, May 25 th, 6:30 pm to 8 PM, at the Community Centre.

Spring Pre-Teen Dance to be held at the Harrietsfield/Williamswood Community Centre, with great music and snacks, supervised, on May 10,2012 starting at 6:30 until 9:00p.m. Admission: only \$3.00.

Stretching & Strengthening 4-Week Program Mondays May 28 th , June 4 th , 11 th & 18 th 2-3:30pm: During this program you will learn and practice the basics of stretching and strengthening

Craving Change 4-Week Program Mondays May 28 th , June 11 th , 18 th & 25 th 5:30-7:30pm: Learn some practical tips to change your thinking to change your eating!

Assertiveness Training Weekly Program Every Tuesday (May-July) Assertiveness training will help you improve your self esteem and overall personal happiness. Participants may start and finish at any time (happens weekly).

PLEASE NOTE: People eligible for the programs are anyone who lives, works or has a family doctor in the communities of Fairmount, Springvale, Armdale, Purcell's Cove, Spryfield and around the Sambro Loop Please call 487-0690 or drop-in to

register.

Unless specified programs are offered at the: Chebucto Community Healthy Team Spryfield Shopping Centre 16 Dentith Rd. Halifax

Spring Fair Saturday May 26th 11:00am until 2:00pm Harrietsfield Elementary, 1150 Old Sambro Rd BBQ, bounce castle, Raffle Baskets, Games, and Face- Painting Open to everyone. Rain or Shine.

St. James Anglican Church in Herring Cove are having their **Annual Lobster Supper** on Saturday, June 16 from 3pm-6pm. You have the choice of Lobster, Scallops, or Ham for those who prefer a non-fish alternative. To order tickets or to get more information, please call 477-0398 or 479-2663.

Inland South Heritage Society AGM, May 31 at 7 pm, Captain William Spry Community Centre. Archivist Allan Marryatt will show a slide presentation of recently acquired photographs depicting "Views from the Past, from Armdale to Pennant". All welcome, free admission.

Dance at Emmanuel Church Hall 322 Herring Cove Road, Spryfield On May 12, 2012 from 8 PM to 12 AM \$7.00 per person, Light lunch at intermission

LEGION: Bingo every Sunday at 1P.M. Mini Bingo at 6 P.M. and Superstat Bingo at 7 P.M

St. Paul's Recycling On the third Saturday of every month, St. Paul's United Church in Spryfield will collect your clean refundables. You can drop them at the church at 173 Old Sambro Rd. between 10:00am and 1:00 pm. If you would prefer, you my call Carolyn t 477-0187 or Jackie at 477-3776 to have your refundables picked up.

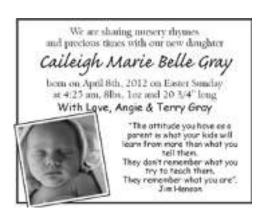
Theatre Arts Guild Announces 2011-2012 Season

The Reluctant Resurrection of Sherlock Holmes The ghost of Sherlock Holmes helps solve a mysterious death, whether or not author Arthur Conan Doyle wants his help! This well reviewed comedy/mystery is written by Canadian playwright David Belke and co-directed by Renée Hartleib and Bill VanGorder.Runs: Apr. 19 - May 5, 2012

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2012For more information contact Rene Hartleib, Theatre Arts Guild volunteer Artistic Director, Rene Hartleib at <rhartleib@ns.aliantzinc.ca>

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LOCAL OBITUARIES

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HILTON, Clyde Collin

86, Halifax. It is with much sadness that we announce the passing of our dearest and most precious husband, father and grandfather, Clyde Collin Hilton, who passed away peacefully on Friday, March 2, 2012, in Camp Hill Veterans Memorial Building. Born March 28, 1925 in Halifax, he was the son of the late Joseph and Erema (Lantz) Hilton. Dad was the Vice-President of the Olympic Gardens for 50 years until his retirement. He touched so very many people's hearts there with his kindness and anyone who knew or visited the Olympic bingo knew Clyde. He served in the Royal Canadian Navy during World War II and was a member of the Royal Canadian Legion. Dad enjoyed his music and large collection of records; and many family get togethers. He was a true people person, always putting others and especially his family, before himself. He had a great love for his family who meant everything to him, along with his wide assortment of family pets throughout the years. He will be sadly missed by his best friend and loving wife of 65 years, Gloria (Wickie); his children, Ginny (Pierre) Nantel, Halifax; Michael, Cape Breton; Chris (Helen). Halifax: Lori (Donnie) MacLeod, Halifax; grandchildren, Marc and Pierrette Nantel, Cody and Jarad Hilton, and John MacLeod, who loved his "Pup" dearly. He is also survived by his brother, Harold (Monica), Enfield; sister, Betty Lewin, Halifax;

many nieces and nephews. Many thanks to Drs. Matheson, McKnight and MacLeod, and all of the staff of V6E, Veterans Memorial Building for their compassionate care and support. Cremation has taken place under the direction of J. A. Walker Funeral Home (2005) Ltd., 149 Herring Cove Road, Halifax (477-5601). Service of remembrance was held on Saturday, March 10. Donations in Clyde's memory may be made to a charity of one's choice. "Pup, you will be in our hearts forever."

IZZARD, Bernard "Bernie" Gerome

63, Halifax, passed away peacefully March 22, 2012 at the Arborstone Enhanced Care. Born in Halifax, he was a son of the late Leslie and Violet (Pelley) Izzard. He is survived by his loving wife, Beverly (Naugler); sons, Rodney Naugler (Jennifer): Bernie Izzard, Christopher Izzard (Sarah), all of Halifax; Matthew Wiseman (Nicole), Rawdon; daughter, Brandi Naugler, Halifax, sister, Pamela Martell (Justin), Harrietsfield, grandchildren, Chelsey, Breanna, Donald, Bailey, Jai-Leigh, Kyler, Chace, Colton, Deon, Logan, Mason, Jordan, Julian, Isiah, Noah, Kali-Tyler, great granddaughter, Kaylee, nephew, Donald Martell. Bernard was predeceased by brother, Harold and brother in infancy. Arrangments were under the care of J.A. Walker Funeral Home (2005) Ltd., 149 Herring Cove

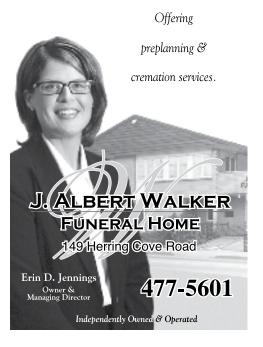
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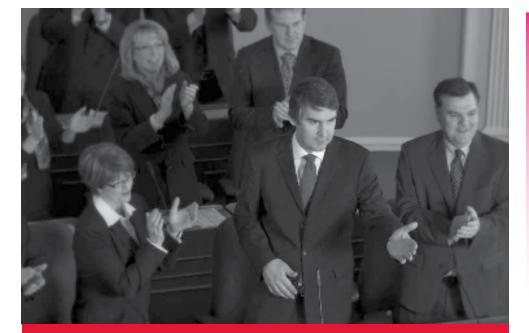
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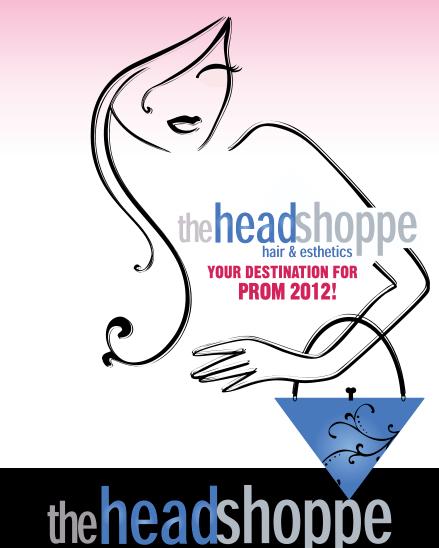
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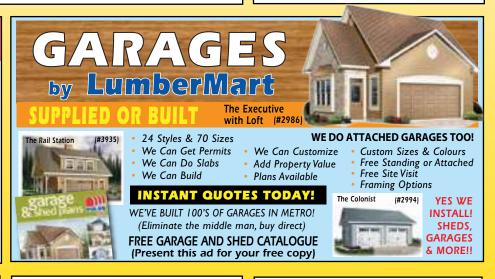
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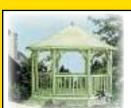
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