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## Councillor sets stage to designate park as historic site

**Jollimore** - Time has once again come to the park and tower that stands in commemoration of a man who generally is known as "The

Father of Standard Time."  
District 17 Councillor Linda Mosher has gained City Council's approval to expedite the

designation of Sir Sandford Fleming Park and the Dingle Tower as a National Historic Site, opening the doors to increased attention and

funding from both the federal government and municipality. The Councillor also committed \$10,000 toward the establishment of a Friends of Sir Sandford Fleming Park Committee of residents.

"I'm surprised the request has not come before council before given the site's historic significance," said the Councillor. The site was donated to the city by Mr. Fleming in 1908. The Dingle Tower was formally dedicated by the Royal Family in 1912 to commemorate 150 years of responsible government in Canada.

Scottish born Sir Sandford Fleming, a surveyor and one of Canada's foremost railway engineers in charge of all survey work for the first Canadian Pacific Railway to cross the continent, emigrated to Canada in 1845. He designed the first Canadian Postage stamp and

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There is hope that the Sir Sanford Fleming Park bandshell and Dingle Tower, along with other aspects of the public park, will be refurbished through a joint effort of the federal and municipal government initiated by District 17 Councillor Linda Mosher.

## Regan pilots support to Fisheries Minister

**Herring Cove** - Halifax West MP Geoff Regan has lent his voice and support to the Herring Cove Ratepayers Association in its efforts to decrease or curtail use of the cove by the Atlantic Pilotage Authority.

In a letter to the MP, Association Vice-Chair Steve Anderson said "we feel the issues surrounding the APA use of the cove as a transfer site for its pilots must be seen in a larger context than simply a matter of noise pollution. We hope that if the APA truly finds the cove crucial to its operations they will become contributors to the preservation of the breakwater which no longer provides safe docking because of its deteriorated state." Anderson said Regan has committed to speaking to the Minister of Fisheries Robert Thibault to follow-up to the letter.

For residents, the cove was always considered a quite restful place while pilot boats from the APA nestled against the breakwater to disengage and board pilots. For the APA, it is easier, more efficient and faster to have harbour pilots board their vessels at Herring Cove rather than alongside the docks in downtown Halifax. But because the breakwater is deteriorated beyond use, the pilot boats are now forced to enter the inner cove, turn around and dock at the government wharf to await pilots.

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## Business Association AGM to explore the future

**Spryfield** - The local business community will have an opportunity to find out how to take control of its own future next month when the District 18 Business and Development Association holds its second Annual General Meeting.

There is much going on in this community that affects the business culture and environment, said Outgoing President Fred O'Hearn, "and now is the time for all businesses to join hands in an effort to make sure the business community is consulted and considered whenever decisions, regardless of how large, are being made."

The April 8, 6 p.m. meeting will be held at the Spryfield Legion for members of the

Association, new businesses and a few invited local organizations. O'Hearn said delegates to the session will hear about the activities of the Association over the past year, its goals and objectives for the coming year and, most importantly, a strategic plan designed to help all businesses in the area grow and prosper.

O'Hearn said the Association, in consultation with the Halifax Regional Development Agency, has spent considerable time developing a strategic plan complete with a defined Mission Statement and Goals and Objectives. "While the community and its business members may realize that we did hold another Business Expo this past year, that we were significant players in the Annual Santa Claus

Parade and that we held our Second Annual Best Ball Golf Tournament, in 2001, not enough yet know about our efforts to become an effective and strong voice for business on a number of other fronts."

He said the Association, although still young, has had impacts and recognition from the political arena and from local community groups and organizations that are beginning to recognize that the Association exists and wants to continue representing the interests of businesses in this community.

"The problems are not new," he said. "We continue to face the impact of too many unused buildings and vacant land spaces in our

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## Regan pilots support to Fisheries Minister

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The inner cove shuffling back and forth in the late night hours is causing noise pollution for residents who no longer consider their cove a quiet little hamlet.

In his letter Anderson recognized that the federal government is divesting itself of its breakwater and wharf responsibilities on all coasts. "An APA involvement may prevent the breakwater from becoming just a pile of rocks and retain the capacity of the structure to receive vessels and act as a fishing pier," he suggested.

"Using the breakwater as a berth is certainly preferable to entering further into the cover where maneuvering to dock at the gov-

ernment wharf creates unwelcome noise, particularly at night," says the letter. "We trust that as our federal representative you can advance the following position with your colleagues and other levels of government," says the letter.

Anderson said the Ratepayers Association believes its perspective represents a significant majority view if the community. Included in that perspective is the belief that both the government wharf and the breakwater should remain for public use and access.

"Preserving the breakwater as a berthing facility," he said, "would benefit the APA and the community and provide potential for future recreational and tourism use." He suggested the community would be more than willing to

function in an advisory capacity on boards that administer the wharf and breakwater "but it is unreasonable to expect that volunteers can assume liability and maintenance of such structures." The federal government had offered to sell the facilities to the Association for a dollar if the community would maintain and run the facilities.

Anderson says the facilities need to be managed and protected under a political structure more significant than the Herring Cove Ratepayers Association. "They must be consid-

ered in the context of the Herring Cove Settlement and Servicing Strategy which has as its fundamental aim the preservation of the historical integrity and environmental charm of the community," he said.

"Obviously Herring Cove has diminished in its importance as a fishing community. We now have to be vigilant about what kind of community it will become. Our vision is to preserve our heritage and natural beauty not only for our own enjoyment but for the benefit of the greater community as well."

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central business core. We still face a community and HRM-wide image problem. We continue to face traffic control issues and, as part of the community, we are impacted by environmental and planning issues," he said.

"It is imperative at this point," said O'Hearn, "that the business community unite its resources, its brain trust and its energies to make sure, over the longer term, that business is not forgotten when new planning strategies are being considered, when local citizens contemplate change to traffic patterns and flow on Herring Cove Road or when City Hall decides finally to make changes to the Armdale Rotary."

He said the Association is gaining strength and credibility on all fronts and the key issue right now is to decide on how to move forward to the future. This year's AGM theme, - "The

Future It Is A Changin' - Act Now - See How! - is hopeful Deborah Grant, Executive Director of the Downtown Halifax Business Commission, will accept an invitation as guest speaker.

"We can all remember the difficulties endured by the downtown business community," said O'Hearn, "and we recognize that the community and its business partners have changed greatly for the better over that time. By having Ms. Grant as our guest speaker we will be able to learn how a business association accomplishes its goals and ambitions and how it supports its programs," he said.

The AGM is open to all businesses for a modest fee. Dinner and a networking session are part of the agenda. Pre-registration by calling 479-6397 is appreciated.



The Armdale Kiwanis Air Cadet Squadron 529 held a fundraising pancake breakfast at Sobey's Community Meeting Room this month. Among others attending and working the event were Captail Paul Eagle, Commanding Officer, Steve Parsons, Ashley Grant and Stephanie Beaton.

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contributed sufficiently to the adoption of time zones that he earned the title "Father of Standard Time."

As with all things however, time has had its affect on the park, its tower and environs. Today it suffers from vandalism, inadequate lighting, intrusion by four wheel drive vehicles, no winter maintenance or garbage collection, inadequate services including canteen and washroom facilities even in the summer months, a lack of signage and deteriorating walkways and shorelines.

Once achieved the designation will mean the city can apply for national funding programs for historic sites and begin a concerted effort to refurbish, protect and secure the 38 hectare site for the full enjoyment of residents throughout HRM and tourists alike.

Councillor Mosher says there are two ways to proceed with the application process. There is a formal two-year process and an informal process. The city will undertake the informal process says Mosher, in the interest of time, which will commit the city to a research process and application procedure.

Mosher says the application will also include a research paper and application for Deadman's Island.

"HRM has been negligent in providing money for the park. If we can get historic-site status that will be a big thing for the Park and Dingle," Mosher said.

And she said she was pleased that as many as 14 people have come forward to participate in the proposed "Friends of Sir Sandford Fleming Park Committee." "I see this as being similar to the Friends of the Public Gardens group who work voluntarily to provide direction to city council on issues surrounding the park. I will commit the money and to help start-up the committee but after that it will be up to the committee to organize their activities," she said.

Gaining the federal designation may not be easy though. The city already has five designated historic sites including the Hydrostone, Historic Properties, City Hall, the Public Gardens and Seaview Park. And Fleming has already been recognized by Ottawa by naming Fleming College in his honour.

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# New breakfast program a toast to community support

**Spryfield** - Neither the ethics nor the obligation of responsibility will last long without a sincere declaration toward accepting it. So when a new "Healthy Minds" breakfast program was developed for students at Central Spryfield School, one of its crowning achievements, besides giving students a better opportunity to learn, was the recognition in its top goal that organizing a self-sustaining program is paramount.

Students from grades primary to six will be the benefactors of what Program Coordinator Teah Gosman calls a "community-based/grass-roots nutritional support program. "This is a free-of-charge program offered five days a week to registering students," she says, admitting that "non-governmental funding assistance

and/or resources is the key to protecting the longevity of the initiative."

There are eight schools in the Spryfield and Harrietsfield area, including Central Spryfield, which fall under the jurisdiction of the Chebucto West Community Health Board. All eight, says Teah, have either identified a need for a more organized approach to breakfast nutritional programs or require some assistance with their present method of delivery.

Gosman says the Health Board's 1998 community consultation process identified lunch or snack programs and health prevention and promotion as two of the region's priority issues. The importance of community involvement was stressed, says Gosman, and a community capacity model of learning was empha-

sized. "Specifically the value and expertise of the community is to be recognized through its involvement as equal partners in the planning, development and delivery of all programs and services," she said. And that's one of the big reasons why the Central Spryfield Program is unique in its own way.

Local companies like Tim Horton's, McDonald's, Sobeys and the Saputo Milk Division of Baxter Foods are, through their donations to the program, providing the strength to carry it on on a daily basis. "We started the last Monday in February," said Gosman, surprised that although only about 35 students registered for the program 55 showed up to take advantage of both its nourishment and social influences.

The main objective is to establish a self-sustaining nutritional breakfast program for the kids said Gosman. But other objectives include educating the children on the importance of eating a healthy breakfast, to provide breakfast opportunities to students in a safe nurturing environment conducive to learning, to promote

healthy eating environments and its importance to successful learning and to provide an opportunity for children to be more socially engaged and responsible.

"This community has been wonderful in supporting the initiative," said the Bachelor of Science student undertaking health education. "Although Central Spryfield School is committed to supporting nutritional programs it does not have the resources to do it without the help of the larger community. Because of that we are drawing together various community agencies, businesses, parents, students, volunteers and school staff to operate this program."

She said HRM now boasts 30 breakfast programs. Statistics Canada says one in every four children in HRM lives in low income situations and 40% of Canadian students arrive at school without the nourishment they need to learn, grow and thrive.

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Central Spryfield Elementary School students are going to benefit from a "Healthy Minds" Breakfast Program being organized by Bachelor of Science student Teah Gosman. Besides donations from Sobeys Store Manager Mike Wade, the program will benefit from the volunteer work of Jennifer Boudreau, left, Co-op Lunch Coordinator; Nikki Bower, Lunch Volunteer; Teah Gosman, Coordinator; Paula Robinson and Heather Hughes.

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# DISCOVERING OUR PAST

## North West Arm Hockey League Created Friendly Rivalry Among Communities

by Iris V. Shea, Historian  
Mainland South Heritage Society

The North West Arm Hockey League provided great entertainment for local hockey fans during the years immediately following the Second World War. Teams from the communities of Kline Heights, Melville Cove, Spryfield, Jollimore and Purcell's Cove packed the old Shirley Street arena as wives, girlfriends, parents and friends came out to cheer for their favourite team. This was a far cry from the early days of 1933 when the league was first formed and games were played on William's Lake using home made goal posts.

The league supported four senior teams and four junior teams. In the senior division for the 1947-48 season, Melville Cove players were Ken Johnson (goal), Jerry Mulcahy, Austie Floyd, Charlie Copus, Hughie MacDonald, Sid Vaughan, Bill Martin, Morris Fougere, Reg Blakeney and Halley MacDonell; Purcell's Cove Pirates were Fred Scott (goal), Gabe Hanna, Walter Purcell, Doug Leverman, C. Mestre, Bruce Hyland, Sid Clark, Bill McCoombs, Jim McManus, Warren Icteton, Basil Surette, Bruce Icteton and George Packer; Spryfield Bombers were Keith Demone (goal), Jim Chaddock, Eric Weaver, Fred Smith, Dick Beazley, Doug Brodie, Bill Perrin, Leo Duggan, T. Purcell, Norm Moore, Jim Duggan and Ed Chambers. Kline Heights Rockets were Russ Power (goal), Floyd Keddy, Mort Thomas, Bordie Isnor, Mick Burns, Dan Cuvilier, "Muzz" Mont, Jim Sullivan, "Buzz" Sullivan, Art Betts, Jack Sullivan, Gene Mayo, Ina Sullivan, Haddie Morash and Ralph Kent (manager). The referee for the season was Reg Beazley. The above names were taken from newspaper articles and were recorded as they were written in the Halifax Mail. Thanks to Bill Martin and Joan MacDonnell who loaned their scrapbooks for photocopying.

In March of 1947, league president Fred G.H. Leverman announced that Bill "Moose" Martin, a member of the Melville Cove team from the very beginning, was the winner of the Romans Memorial Trophy as "Most Valuable Player in the league." The trophy was donated and presented by Mrs. Rachel Romans in honour of her son, Flying Officer David Romans, who was killed in action during the Second World War and who was a former player on the Melville Cove team. Under coach Bill Bailey, Melville Cove won the championship and the Leverman trophy, defeating the Purcell's Cove Pirates in the playoffs. The manager for the Melville Cove team was "Hoppy" Hopkins.

One year later, in March of 1948, Purcell's Cove Pirates made it to the finals again, this time trying to out score Kline Heights Rockets. Kline Heights persevered, however, collecting the Leverman Trophy that year. Following that win, Kline Heights picked up a couple of star players from Melville Cove and went on to defeat Sackville for the Herald and Mail Suburban League Championship.

The 1948-49 season saw the same four senior teams in action. Playing to a packed house, the Thursday night game of January 13, 1949, between Kline Heights and Spryfield was, according to the Mail Star, "one of the liveliest games of the season." During the third period referee Reg Beazley handed out a total of fifty-

four minutes in penalties, six majors and two minors, and two players were banished from the game. Kline Heights won the game with a score of seven to four. This year, however, the series belonged to the Purcell's Cove Pirates. They won their first championship in the fifteen years of league history, defeating Kline Heights in three straight games. President, F.G.H. Leverman, presented the Gordon B. Isnor Trophy and the Munroe Cup to the winners. Bill (Slick) McCarthy of Jollimore, who played goals for the junior team from Jollimore and for the Pirates, was awarded the Montague Knight trophy for "Most Outstanding Goalie." Sid Clark was the league's highest goal scorer. Purcell's Cove continued their winning streak, defeating Fairview Aces for the Suburban League championship.

The junior division of the North West Arm Hockey League was made up of teams from Jollimore, Purcell's Cove, Spryfield and Melville Cove. Going into the playoffs in March of 1949, the Jollimore Juniors were the defending champions, having won the title the two pre-

vious years. Members of the Jollimore team were: Bill McCarthy (goal), Edgar Umlah, Kenny Edwards, Ambrose (Pop) McGean, Donnie Scarfe, Tommy Scarfe, Jack

young Melville Cove team was made up of Tommy McLaughlin, Jackie Woods, Jackie Buell, John Boyd, Graham Cushing, Ken Lord, Maurice Fougere, Don Hopkins, Carl Boyd,

Lawrence Kidd and Sonny Pierce (mascot), Bill Martin (coach), Bill Bailey (manager); Spryfield team members were John Flemming (goal), Bruce Hubley, Cyril Hubley, Dick Giles, Sam Lively, Ina Sullivan, Leo DeYoung, Bruce McNeil, Earl Neilson, Norm Walters, Charlie Coyle, Doug Schnare and Raymond Schnare. I was unable to locate the names of the Purcell's Cove team, but if anyone remembers them, please contact me at ishea@ns.sympati-co.ca.

On April 5, 1949, when Charlie Copus refereed the final game of the playoffs, Jollimore defeated Spryfield with a score of 2-1 to take home the Father Martin Trophy. This marked the third consecutive championship for the Jollimore Juniors. Thanks to Kenny Edwards for allowing me to copy his photograph of the championship team, and to several other former players for their input.



North West Arm Hockey League Junior Champions from Jollimore, 1948  
Front Row: Kenny Edwards, Tommy Scarfe, Kenny Martin, Bill McCarthy, "Pop" McGean, Vince McDonald, Laurie Umlah and Roger Jollimore.  
Back Row: Doug Leverman (coach), Edgar Umlah, Donnie Scarfe, Freddie Boutilier, Jackie Cruikshanks, Billy Graves and Morgan Chaddock (manager).

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## 500 plus players expected for 3rd Bradley Marks Memorial

**Spryfield** - Twenty-nine teams in three divisions, more than 500 hockey players and just short of 65 games will be unveiled this March 9 when last year's Atom Division winners the Chebucto Devils face off against the Eastern Shore Mariners to open the Third Annual Bradley Marks Memorial Tournament at the Spryfield Lions Rink at 9 a.m.

The opening face-off will set the stage to determine winners in house league Atom, Pee Wee and Bantam divisions. It will also mark the beginning of the end of this year's tournament for Paulette and Kevin Marks, the parent team coordinators of the event established in remembrance of their son Bradley. "We do this to honour Bradley for doing something he loved to do," agreed Paulette and Kevin after spending countless hours for the third straight year preparing for the event.

Between 50 and 75 sponsoring or assisting agencies have been contacted to make sure there are prizes for these players beyond the usual medals and plaques, said Kevin. "This is a non-competitive tournament," he said, "and we wanted always to remember that Bradley loved to play the game and so do these kids. We want to ensure everyone has a good time."

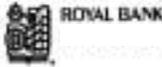
Bradley died tragically in a car accident in the summer of 1999. "As soon as fall came I inquired about coaching again," said Kevin, who remembered coaching his own son for many years in the Chebucto Minor Hockey Association.

"Whenever I go into the rink I can see banners the kids have won and signed and Bradley's name is right there with the others. This will always be one way to remember him and the game he loved."

Last year the Chebucto Minor Hockey Association captured all three divisions with the Atom and Pee Wee Devils taking their divisions and the Chebucto Bantam Warriors adding their own championship. In 2,000, titles were won by the Atom Shearwater Sea Kings, the Pee Wee Dartmouth Devil Rays and the Bantam Halifax Flames. This year's participating associations include Sackville, Dartmouth, Eastern Shore, East Hants, East Kings, TASA and Chebucto.

The Opening Ceremonies begin at 1 p.m. on March 9 at the arena, with the closing set to follow after championship games on Friday, March 15. The Atom Championship is set to go at 10:30 a.m. followed by the Pee Wee at 1:30 p.m. and the Bantam final at 4:30 p.m.





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# Rockingstone School partners against bullying

**Spryfield** - Spryfield's Rockingstone School and its Principal Ramona Joseph have together taken on reduction and elimination of violence and the enhancement of literacy as the focus of programming for this school year.

Joseph says the school, its parents, the Halifax Regional School Board and private partners have implemented several programs, some of them new and innovative, to enhance the quality of school life for students in all grades.

For starters, and to make sure students are entering the classroom with the right attitude and tools to learn, the school, with the help of the Board, Mic Mac Mall and the Halifax Shopping Centre, have initiated a breakfast program. "The program is provided by students and teachers in conjunction with our Family Studies department," she said. "Obviously having students attend classes without the pains of hunger makes them more eager to learn and certainly more patient and less likely to exhibit violent behaviour."

The school has also initiated what is called a "Bully smart Program." Joseph said this pilot program is linked with Rockingstone and Bedford South Schools and is subsidized by Subway. In this program, teachers train students in techniques and strategies of being "Bully Smart." "Students are trained how to avoid potentially violent situations and students help each other with the implementation of these strategies," she said.

The school is also associated and involved with the Lions Quest Program being subsidized by the School Board and local Lions

Clubs. This program is being piloted by Rockingstone and Central Spryfield Schools and trains all teachers in violence prevention methods. "There is a curriculum provided to every teacher where peace becomes a priority and focus," said Joseph. "All teachers have now gone through a two day in service session and have been provided with an excellent curriculum to implement in their classrooms."

Family SOS is also at work in the community offering parenting strategies to local residents to assist parents in violence preven-

tion strategies that are similar to those being taught in the school. "This is a way of bringing the school education and home education needs face to face and help ensure that what is being taught in school is also maintained as a focus on the home front," she said.

Joseph said the whole gamut of programs are designed to develop a better school, community and home environment for students. "We want to involve our parents in the classroom and school objectives and it is an effort parents are eagerly accepting," she said.



Rockingstone School students Crystal Jack and Shyanna White listen as Community Police Constable Steve Saunders delivers a message to parents and school officials about the incidents of violence in schools. The evening was designed to help bring parents into the process of preventing violence and bullying in the school.

# Spryfield - last on the list - again

**Spryfield** - About mid-February the Halifax Regional Police Department released its crime statistics for the year 2001 and Spryfield came in dead last.

Despite a general overall increase in crime of about two per cent, West Division, including Spryfield, trailed all divisions in reporting crimes and calls said the report.

In a statement printed in the Chronicle Herald on February 12, 2002, police spokesman Sgt. Don Spicer said "there's perception and then there's reality. Spryfield certainly was a lot busier at one time than it is now. There's a lot of good people and good communities in Spryfield and sometimes they're given an unjust reputation."

Although Spryfield's status on the crime sheet did not make headlines following the report, the news was seen as a boost to a number of agencies in the community which have been trying to improve its image. "Having a lower crime rate than all other divisions is certainly good for business," said District 18 Business Association President Fred O'Hearn. "Now it's up to us, and everyone else in the community, to take advantage of the statistics to further dispel the myths about our community."

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## Heritage Tea shows off the "pantries of yesteryear"

**Spryfield** - This year's Mainland South Heritage Society Annual Heritage Tea had about a hundred folks interested in history sample foods and refreshments at the Captain William Spry Community Library this month.

The main objective of the Mainland South Heritage Society is to preserve and promote the rich history of all of the communities within Mainland South through events such as the annual heritage tea, said Leslie Harnish on behalf of the Society. "We meet on the last Thursday of the month at 7:30 pm at the Captain William Spry Community Centre and endeavor to have guest speakers when possible," she said, adding that news members and guests are always welcome.

This year's heritage tea and display, she said was undoubtedly the most successful one held to date. "We invited people to 'step into the kitchens and pantries of yesteryear' and celebrate the topic of food and the role it played in the lives of our ancestors," she said.

The subject of the Annual Heritage Day gathering was originally suggested by a member of the Urban Farm Museum Society, said Harnish. "We then invited the UFMS to cosponsor the event along with us and along with the library of course. When originally asked to search through our archives, our archivist didn't think we would have much information to use for the display on food. However; this theme took on a life of its own, turning in interesting directions to aspects we hadn't originally considered - things such as old cookbooks, appliances (the invention of the refrigerator as an example), old grocery ads, old kitchen gadgets, hunting for food as opposed to recreational hunting, picnics, etc. In

fact, there was so much we wanted to cover that we almost ran out of room for all we wanted to display," she said enthusiastically.

And while the Society had 75 members and visitors sign the guest book, Harnish estimated that approximately 100 people made their way through the doors through the course of the event. "As a new president to the Society I must say that this event was truly a team effort and wouldn't have been possible

without the help of many society members including Iris Shea, Marjorie Swingler, Grace Dobson, Heather Watts, Anna MacDonald, Nat Smith, and Peter Saulnier and also Pat MacLean of the Urban Farm Museum Society.

"We hope that this event will help open the doors for future cosponsored events and activities between the Mainland South Heritage Society and the Urban Farm Museum Society," she said.



The Mainland South Heritage Society had its best ever turn out for the annual Heritage Day gathering at the Captain William Spry Community Library. The packed room was entertained with displays and descriptions on the subject of "Pantries of Yesteryear."

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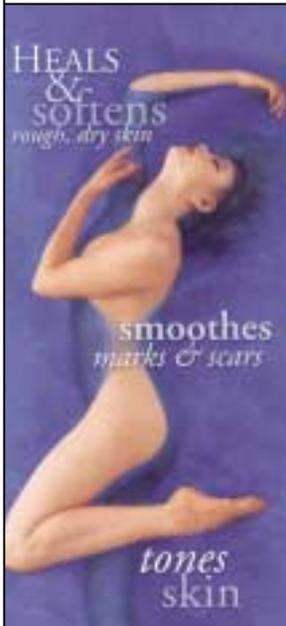
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# Citizens meet to discuss planning issues

**Spryfield** - About twenty or so residents spent a good part of a Saturday morning talking about planning and future implications in the local community.

The Ad Hoc Planning Group inspired a session that gave everyone input to areas of concern to them. Each was asked to tell the others their priority concerns in planning related matters, commonality of intent among the members was achieved and particular areas discussed by like minded participants. At the

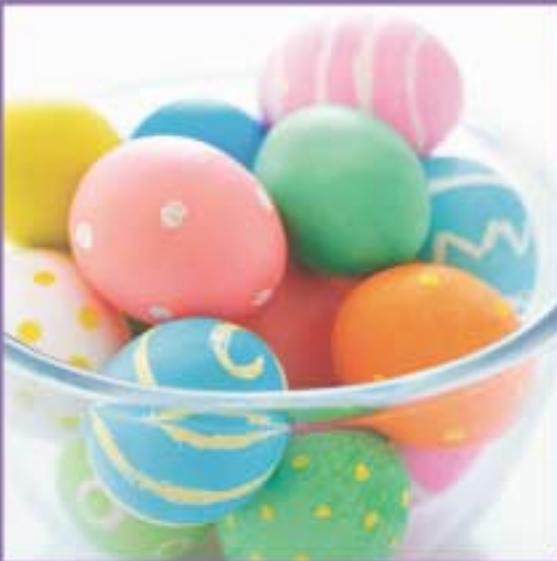
end, each presented the result of their discussions.

Open space, environment protection and wilderness corridors were among some issues. Traffic flow, business core management and housing were others.

Similar sessions are likely to be repeated. The Halifax Regional Municipality has begun a Five Year Planning Review of all of HRM and considers community input an integral part of its review.



The Ad Hoc Planning Group invited members of the community together to participate in a planning discussion in February. Linda Mosher, Councillor for District 17, centre, attended the session along with about 20 other citizens concerned about planning issues. Information from the session will be assembled and next steps should lead to information being prepared for the City of Halifax.



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# MLA urges citizens to lend their voices to health care maintenance

By Robert Chisholm, MLA Halifax Atlantic

On January 29, I attended the annual Community Health Fair in Spryfield at the South Centre Mall. This fair brings together more than 25 groups and organizations who provide services to the Spryfield area.

Participants this year included the Boys and Girls Club, the Single Parent Family Centre, Teen Help, representatives of the Cowie Hill Medical Center, and Drug Dependency. The event was well attended and I enjoyed being there and listening to the progress being made in Halifax-Atlantic.

I also attended the Annual General Meeting of the St. Paul's Family Resource Centre on February 11th. This organization provides drop-in centres and food banks around Spryfield. On Thursday February 28, I will attend the Model Parliament at J.L. Ilsley High School to read the throne speech. This year the NDP won the

model parliament with 50 percent of the seats. I look forward to attending these events and representing the concerns of residents of Halifax-Atlantic in the Legislature.

This month I want to address the continuing healthcare crisis facing Nova Scotia. As the provincial government works toward balancing the budget at any cost and on a tight schedule, healthcare is being adversely affected.

Healthcare workers are being stretched to their breaking point, hospital beds are closing, and good programs like the liver transplant program at the QEII are at one moment cancelled, and at the next moment reinstated. And despite a \$5 million recruitment and retention program we are still facing a chronic nursing shortage. Our healthcare system is under mounting stress and turmoil from a government who fails to recognize how fragile it really is.

With this in mind I attended a healthcare rally in the Valley on February 21. The crowd of almost 2000 people expressed concern with healthcare cuts in the region and how it will spin off and affect other services and eventually the economic survival of the area. Strong communities cannot withstand substandard health care.

It is important that everyone voice their concerns about our deteriorating healthcare system. It is important that services not be cut just to balance the budget within the year. Such cuts could be irreparable. Your voice counts.

Finally, if there is anything I or my assistant Colleen can do to help you, please don't hesitate to call at 477-4100, or drop into my office at 10 Kidston Road in the Captain William Spry Community Centre.

# MP speaks to the Kyoto Protocol, Parliamentary Procedure and Olympic Champions

By Geoff Regan, MP, Halifax West

This month, I'd like to depart from our usual format to comment on a number of unrelated events. All three have provoked strong reaction from different quarters.

First, I would like to take this opportunity to once again highlight the importance of the Kyoto Protocol. This agreement among the industrialized nations of the world commits to reducing the amount of air pollution produced every year. Using 1990 as a starting point, Kyoto calls for all of the countries that sign on to be at a level equivalent to 6% below their 1990 numbers. Both Canada and the United States are original parties to the deal, but the United States has since withdrawn its support under the Bush administration.

Last week, while traveling in Europe, several Premiers - including ours - presented the Prime Minister with a letter opposing Kyoto. They claim that complying with Kyoto's tough rules would hurt business and the economy. I disagree. I think most Nova Scotians believe government has a responsibility to protect our environment. Our farmers have suffered from four years of drought. More and more wells go dry every year. Last summer Nova Scotia had its first smog warnings ever. And the rate of respiratory illness seems to be going up and up. With all this, I think it's time we started acting to improve our air quality and stop global warming. If you agree, please let the Premier know that by fighting against Kyoto, he's not speaking for you.

Another issue that's provoked a lot of comment - at least on Parliament Hill - has been the inquiry into statements made by Defence Minister Art Eggleton. Not surprisingly, many of the things that happen on Parliament Hill are based on party affiliation. (In other words, most of the time MPs in each party vote as a block.) But once in a while, we have a chance to pursue things that are of interest to all parties. The inquiry into the comments made by Defence Minister Art Eggleton is one such occasion.

It is not in the interest of any MP to allow ministers to mislead the House of Commons. And when such a charge is levelled against a minister, it falls to a committee to investigate the allegation. The Standing Committee on Procedure and House Affairs - of which I am a member - is doing that right now. Members of that committee, regardless of what party they represent, are trying to determine if the Minister of Defence misled the House of Commons deliberately. I thought it was refreshing to hear Sackville-Musquodoboit Valley-Eastern Shore MP Peter Stoffer say he believes the minister made an honest mistake, and I was dismayed to hear how angry his NDP colleagues were with him for speaking his mind.

Finally, there's no denying the affection Canadians have for our Olympic athletes. They gave us so many memorable moments at the Salt Lake City Olympics - just a few of which I'd like to mention here. Who can forget Catriona Le May Doan making history as the first Canadian athlete to win gold in the same event in successive Olympic games? We thrilled to the sight of speed skater Mark Gagnon atop the podium - twice for gold, once for bronze. Clara Hughes of Winnipeg became the first Canadian to win medals at both the Summer and Winter Olympics. (She won two bronze for cycling at the '96 games, and then won another bronze in long track 5,000 metres speed skating.) This is an amazing achievement - especially when you consider only three other Olympians have done this in history - and she's been training for this for less than two years. Then there's Beckie Scott. Her bronze medal performance made her the first North American woman ever to reach the podium in cross-country skiing.

And what can I say about both our Canadian skating pair - SaE and Pelletier - and our Canadian men's hockey team? Each ended our country's long drought atop the podium in their respective Olympic sports. SaE and Pelletier showed extraordinary fortitude and class on the night of their final skate - as they have ever since. And our men's hockey team - inspired, perhaps, by the dignity, character and the plain hard work of our incredible women's hockey team - steadily improved the entire tournament until they brought home the gold for the first time in 50 years.

I am awed by their achievements, and by the achievement of our entire Olympic team - a record 17 medals for our country, a move from fifth to fourth in the overall medal standings, and a record 41 top-eight finishes. This was our most successful winter Olympic team ever, and they are champions all.

Geoff Regan is the Liberal Member of Parliament for Halifax West and can be reached at (902) 426-2217.

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# Councillor seeks snow clearing improvements in District 18

By Stephen Adams,  
Councillor, District 18

It would be an understatement to suggest that the months of January and February have been rather harsh with regard to snowfall. In typical Maritime fashion, storms generally hit us unexpectedly, hit us hard, and with snow comes the age long dilemma of clearing it; not only on our streets but on sidewalks and driveways, too.

This year I have received more phone calls than in the past regarding snow removal. The calls, numbering around 150 in total, came mostly from areas in and around the "Sambro Loop." These areas are generally served by Nova Scotia Department of Transportation (DoT).

I am amazed as to the type and frequency of these calls. The worst scenarios involve streets that were virtually ignored until 24 - 36 hours after a storm subsided. In fact, some residents in Williamswood called me late in the evening of February 6, to tell me that plows were just getting to their roads. This is not acceptable and sadly these are not isolated incidents. These same problems were experienced in January.

To that end, I sent these concerns to Paul O'Brien, Area Manager for DoT. His response was that there were new drivers, drivers who had taken ill, or equipment that was broken-down. Perhaps these are legitimate but cannot be used as excuses for each and every storm.

At Regional Council, I requested a report from staff to determine the process we need to

follow to assume responsibility for all streets and roads in HRM. If successful, HRM would take over plowing and maintenance, which would yield a more consistent service level (and in my opinion, a better service level) for all residents. Should this not be possible, I have asked that HRM assume responsibility for the former County section of District 18. There are two benefits to this approach. The first is better service. The second would be a more efficient use of DoT resources. The equipment and labour could be shifted to serve the Prospect area further enhancing their service. Simply stated, all citizens would get better service and no jobs would be lost.

I have sent a letter to Robert Chisholm, asking that he initiate this process from the provincial level. As we progress, I will update you as to the status of this issue.

In contrast, I have had very few calls from residents serviced by HRM crews. Calls

received primarily dealt with driveways being "filled-in," sidewalks being "plowed-in" or trucks driving by too frequently. If resources could be redistributed to some degree, I am confident the level of service would be more than satisfactory throughout District 18.

I would be remiss if I did not mention the fine work of Larry Drummond and John Simmons, who work as Supervisors for snow-plowing in HRM. If I get a call bringing a situation to my attention, one or the other is always available to offer a solution and meet on-site, if necessary. Their dedication and diligence are greatly appreciated.

As always, uncleared sidewalks are dangerous and inconvenient for both pedestrians and motorists. For pedestrians who travel along main roads, a snow-covered sidewalk can be problematic, especially if one has to travel on the street to get by. There are chronic offenders throughout our community and By-

Law Enforcement is well aware of their locations. All have been ticketed and some have had their sidewalks cleared by Youth Live. Youth Live is a group of dedicated and hard-working young people who help in areas of snow removal or work to bring properties to a respectable level. All work provided is then billed to the property owner. You may have seen crews working as you drive along the Herring Cove Road.

Rob Coolen, our local By-Law Enforcement Officer, has been highly effective in charging offending property owners and ensuring safe passage for pedestrians.

In closing, I would like to offer my personal congratulations to Ryan Flinn, a young man, who was born and raised in Spryfield. Ryan is now playing with the Los Angeles Kings in the NHL, and is making quite an impact. We are all proud of your accomplishment.

# Stoneridge developer withdraws application Second proposal before city council

By Linda Mosher  
Councillor, District 17

As a follow up to two previous columns, I would like to address both Stoneridge on the Park and Solar Aquatics.

United Gulf Developments held two public information meetings regarding their

request for a substantial amendment to the development agreement for Stoneridge on the Park. The majority of residents indicated that they were not in support of having two twenty storey high rises and one eighteen storey building in their neighborhood. The developer listened to the concerns of the residents and has withdrawn this application.

United Gulf has made a second application to amend the existing development agreement for Stoneridge on the Park, which HRM planning is reviewing. United Gulf would like an additional five R1 (single-family dwellings) by Hail's Pond. They are also requesting that one of their approved twelve storey buildings be changed to sixteen storeys, with a commercial operation in the lobby. Planning staff will be assessing the application, and it is anticipated that there will be a public hearing at the Chebuco Community Council meeting of May 6, 2002. HRM advertises all public hearings in the newspapers, and will directly notify households in the immediate area, as it did for the previous meetings.

In a previous column of The Chebuco News, I discussed a report I requested from the Harbour Solutions team, regarding Ecological Wastewater Treatment, EWT, (commonly referred to as "Solar Aquatics" or "Living Machines"). This report was presented to Council in January, 2002. HRM staff indicated that EWT was not financially and technically feasible for the Harbour Solutions Project. It would take a book to properly discuss the reasons behind this decision, but in essence, staff rejected this method at this time. HRM's conclusion was based on many factors, including the excess financial requirements for capital, operating and land costs. HRM would also have to assume all financial and operating risks. In addition, even dedicating a single outfall in the Harbour Solutions Project to EWT would be in the order of 100 times larger than has ever been implemented in the world.

As a result of this staff report, the following motion was passed by Council on January 28, 2002: Moved by Councillor Mosher, seconded by Councillor Goucher, that Halifax Regional Council: 1. Not dedicate an outfall in the Harbour Solutions Project to Solar Aquatics technology, 2. Consider the use of Solar Aquatics technology in the future in a full cost/performance comparison with other innovative and conventional systems for a small plant serving a small community.

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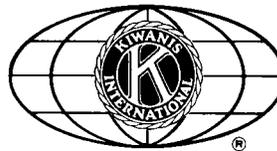
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# Single Parent Centre Staff and Volunteers earn Atlantic Canadian Leadership Award in women's health

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**MULTI-SERVICE NEWS** by Samantha Butler  
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Captain William Spry Community Centre

### New Captain Spry Fitness Club: Grand Opening May 4th, 2002

"Spry for Life" is what the new Captain Spry Fitness Club will be promoting when it opens its doors on May 4th, 2002. Memberships will include access to all the latest fitness equipment such as treadmills, elliptical cross trainers, weight stack strength machines, and a body composition analyzer scale, as well as access to lane and early bird swims and the sauna at the Spryfield Lions Wavepool. In addition, members will receive a 50% discount on all fitness classes offered at the Centre. Other benefits of membership include a free one hour session with a personal trainer, and a free half hour orientation to the equipment at the Club. Child care will also be available at certain times. Adult, Partner, Family, Youth and Senior membership packages are available for one month (except Partner and Family), three months, six months, and one year. There will be a Grand Opening Special price on a one month's membership for May. For more details about the new Captain Spry Fitness Club and membership packages available please call 477-7665, and watch for the Captain Spry Fitness Club Brochure that will be out soon. Come "Catch the Fitness Wave!"

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12:30 in the Administration Offices on the second floor of the Community Centre. Plans are also underway to offer the same service in the Greystone community once a month, details to follow in next month's paper.

Angela is a community legal worker with a law background. She can work with community members on such issues as appealing government decisions, social assistance, access to public housing, CPP appeals, access to maintenance assignment, etc. Angela works as an advocate and an advisor, she does not do court work. Angela's objective is to give community members the resources and confidence they need so that they may solve their own problems. For more information call Dal Legal Aid at 423-8105.

### Community Services Award

Every year, in May, the Captain William Spry Community Centre presents the Community Services Award to a resident who has made an outstanding contribution to our community. If there is someone you know who

has worked hard to make Mainland South a better place to work, live and play, please consider submitting their name for this award. Nomination forms will be available at the end of March in the Community Centre at the Pool Desk or in the Administration Office on the 2nd floor.



The Umlah Insurance Agency celebrated its 17th year in business with a reception hosting many of its clients and fellow insurance industry personnel. Among those attending were Al Silver, Dominion of Canada Insurance Company; company President Kevin Umlah; Gordon Murray, Branch Manager Economical Mutual Insurance and Jeff Cove, Pembridge Insurance.

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# Some advice heading into the looming pet flea season

Once again the season of fleas is fast approaching and for those pet owners who have had a flea free winter, it is time to prepare for the arrival of these major parasites. Radical changes have occurred in the way we approach the treatment of fleas in the last ten years. Prior to that time, veterinarians would treat an animal presented to the veterinary clinic with flea allergy dermatitis or FAD, with a barrage of indoor and outdoor insecticidal premise chemicals usually in the form of sprays or foggers, combined with a hefty load of steroids, antibiotics and insecticides for the pet itself.

Pet owners would often leave the clinic experiencing a variety of negative emotions.

Naturally, people would feel discouraged at the overall price tag of the expedition - often in the hundreds of dollars. As well, owners would experience a fair amount of guilt for not realizing sooner that Spot had so many fleas and for not knowing that he would eventually end up tearing his fur out and licking himself to the point he was raw and infected. In addition, there was the daunting thought that despite all this, the battle was not over yet and he had to face the fact that he was going to go home and vacuum and spray his entire house, spray his yard and then treat the dog. Yikes!

Fortunately, the arrival of a combination of new insecticides has changed the way veteri-

anarians deal with fleas entirely. No longer waiting to treat the pets infested by fleas, our goal is to prevent these flea infestations in the first place. Veterinarians are now able to provide Insect Growth Regulators (IGRs), which are products that act by interfering with insects' development and therefore are essentially birth control products for fleas. IGR products such as "Program" are highly desirable for safety and are available in oral forms for dogs and cats as a once monthly treatment. This product is now even available in a single dose injectable form for cats only that will provide flea protection for 6 months. Other forms of IGRs are available in collar form from veterinarians as well. For pets that present with fleas, new types of adulticides are available in the form of topical spot on products that are applied at home to the pets' skin once monthly. These products are often combined with the IGRs for a total or integrated approach to flea control.

The ease and simplicity of these products

is hard to beat. However, it cannot be overemphasized that the proper usage of any flea control product is important to its success rate. Ideally, pets should begin taking the oral IGRs well before the flea season is underway - in our climate that usually means

April/May. Pets with fleas already should always be treated with an insecticidal adulticide product first, such as the topical spot on product "Advantage." Products should be continued throughout the entire flea season - in our zone to November. The concept of flea resistance to insecticides is highly discussed and therefore doses

of flea preventatives must not be skipped and should be given at the proper intervals. Many animals are hypersensitive to fleas and one flea bite may be all that is necessary to cause an allergic skin reaction. In these pets proper treatment is critical. Ideally, have your pet checked for fleas by your veterinarian and ask for the best product or combination of products for your pet before the season begins.





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# LOCAL OBITUARIES

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**WOODGATE, Bob** Widash, 79, of Bridget Avenue, Halifax, passed away January 19, 2002, at the Q.E. II Victoria Building surrounded by his sons and daughters. Born in London, England, he was a son of the late Harold and Molly (Cottréau). He was predeceased by his loving wife Marion (Lawrence), son George, daughter Alana Francis and grandson Scott Ginn. He was a semi-retired salesman and owner and operator of several businesses. He was a member of the Spryfield Chamber of Commerce and the Maritime Travelers Association. He was a scout leader for several years with the 3rd Spryfield and 1st Jollimore Boy Scout Troops. He is survived by his sons Robert, Russell (Tom) and John; daughters Shannon, Linda, Christine, Jocelyn, Debra, Wanda and Cindy; one sister Yvonne Marshall; 28 grandchildren, 18 great-grandchildren, 2 nieces and 2 nephews. Cremation will take place at a later date. Family services only were held January 22 at 7 p.m. at Emmanuel Church. Memorial donations to the Heart and Stroke Foundation or Emmanuel Church for the great support they provided to him.

**COOPER, Doris Ellen**, 76, Shad Bay, passed away January 27, 2002, in Dartmouth General Hospital. Born in Halifax, she was a daughter of the late Charles and Sara "Sadie" (Redmond) Watson. Surviving are stepson, Kenny Fellows, Whites Lake; sister, Shirley Newcombe, Dartmouth. She was predeceased by husband,

Clyde Cooper; sons, Raymond and Charles; brothers, Charles and one brother in infancy; companion, Norman Fellows. Cremation has taken place. Burial will be at a later date in Holy Cross Cemetery, Shad Bay.

**DUFFY, Donald Douglas**, 52, Middle Sackville, passed away Wednesday, January 30, 2002, in the VG Site, QEII, Halifax, in the loving presence of his family. Born in Halifax, he was a son of Hilda (Richardson), Halifax, and the late Edward Duffy. He is survived by the love of his life, Sharon; daughter, Laura (Ed) Miller; son, Donnie, both of Edmonton, Alta.; sisters, Sylvia (Richard) Perry, Sheila (Ronnie) Hiles, both of Halifax; brothers, Gerald (Diane), Timberlea; Pat (Bev), Digby; Jim (Mary), Annapolis Royal; Carl (Lisa), Dartmouth; Michael, Halifax; grandchildren, Zachary, Corelle and special buddy, Josh; many nieces and nephews; close friend, Dorothy, Annapolis Royal. Cremation has taken place. Interment in Oakridge Memory Gardens, Lower Sackville. Donations to the Canadian Cancer Society or Canadian Liver Foundation, Halifax Chapter.

**HAYES, David Earle**, 79, Timberlea, passed away February 3, 2002, at the residence of his only son, David. Born in Weymouth, he was a son of the late Charles and Jennie (Weaver) Hayes. He is survived by son, David R (Bridget) Hayes, Halifax; brothers, Mike, East Port, Nfld.; Ross, South Range; sisters, Marion, St Catharines, Ont; Ruth, Plympton; Jennie, St Catharines, Ont; Connie, Oromocto, N.B.; Hilda, Saint John, N.B.; Viola, Oshawa, Ont; Dorothy, Truro; grandsons, David A.R. Hayes and Timothy L. Hayes, Halifax. He was predeceased by his

wife, Margaret Annetta (Conway) Hayes; sister, Edie. Cremation has taken place. Burial at a later date. Donations to Lung Association of Nova Scotia.

**McAVOY, Miriam Agnes "Mim,"** 73, Herring Cove, passed away February 9, 2002, in the New Halifax Infirmary, QEII. Born in Spryfield, she was a daughter of the late Daniel and Maude (Roache) McNeil. She is survived by her husband, Clyde McAvoy; daughter, Colleen (Mrs. Cyril Craig), Herring Cove; sons, Gary (Kathy), Brookside; Ross (Colleen), Danny (Maureen), both of Herring Cove; brothers, Robert, Donald, both of Truro; Bruce, Winnipeg; sister-in-law, Theresa McNeil, Bridgetown; grandchildren, Michael, Nicholas, Jonathan, Erin, Melissa, Jeffrey, Megan and Kristopher. She was predeceased by sister, Marie Mayo; brothers, Jack, Gerald, Thomas, Daniel and Bert. Cremation has taken place. Interment at a later date. Donations may be made to Canadian Diabetes Association.

**THOMAS, Sharon Bernadette**, 53, Terence Bay, passed away Monday, February 11, 2002, in the VG Site, QEII, Halifax. Born in Terence Bay, she was a daughter of the late Clarence and Rita Slaunwhite. She is survived by her son, Darren Thomas, Terence Bay; sisters, Barb Lennips, Good Wood; Elizabeth Marryatt, Halifax; stepbrothers, John Slaunwhite, Terence Bay; Billy Slaunwhite, Halifax. She was predeceased her husband, Lester William Thomas; infant son, David; stepsister, Marina O'Brien; stepbrother, Lloyd Pettipas. Cremation has taken place. Burial in Star of the Sea Cemetery. Donations to Canadian Cancer Society.

## Church Services

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**Emmanuel Anglican Church**  
322 Herring Cove Road, 477-1783/477-3538  
Reverend Karen Hunt  
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**Gospel Light Baptist Church**  
Harrietsfield Elementary School, 479-3322  
Pastor Reg E. Lewis  
Sunday service 11:00 am  
Call for mid-week bible study and youth groups

**Open Door Community**  
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**Saint Augustine's Anglican Church**  
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**St. George's Greek Orthodox Church**  
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**Saint James Anglican Church**  
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**Saint Peter's Roman Catholic Church**  
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**Saint Phillip's Anglican Church**  
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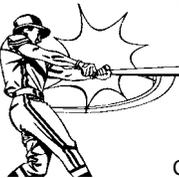


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**St. Paddy's Day Supper**

Emmanuel Church in Spryfield will hold a Saint Patrick's Day Roast Beef Supper in the church hall Sunday March 17 from 4:30 to 6 p.m. All welcome to help raise money for community and church needs.

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**Community Fundraiser**

The Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 152, Spryfield, is planning a community fundraiser for Saturday April 27th in support of a local child with special needs. A bake sale and flea market will be held in the morning followed by an afternoon bingo and evening karaoke which will include auction items. The Legion is searching for auction items for the event and anyone interested in donating something should contact either Bev at 477-0467 or Karen at 479-2730.

**Saint Patrick's Day Dance**

The Sussex Street Legion will hold a Saint Patrick's Day Dance March 16 from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Music will be provided by Pulse.

**Karaoke Night**

Karaoke Night at the Legion will be Saturday March 2nd from 9 to 1:00.

**Bingo at the Legion**

The Royal Canadian Legion on Sussex Street holds a bingo every Sunday afternoon at 1:00 p.m.

**Legion Seniors Day**

The Royal Canadian Legion will have a Seniors Day featuring Newfie George Monday March 4 from 1 to 5 p.m. All Seniors are welcome.

**Lions Club Meets**

Want to be part of a great tradition and help make your community a better place to live and work. The Spryfield and Area Lions Club meets the second and fourth Tuesday of every month to learn and work toward making this community a better place. For information on becoming a member contact King Lion Darrell Wentzell at 477-3664.

**Computer Assistance For Seniors**

For the price of a cup of coffee, senior citizens can receive assistance with the purchase or operation of their personal computer by calling Aubrey at 477-1234.

**Cemetery Meeting**

A group hoping to initiate an improvement and rebuilding program for a "Pioneer Cemetery" at French Village will hold its initial meeting March 27 at the Tantallon Public Library from 7 to 8 p.m. For information contact Sandy Wooden at 676-2747.

**Card Social**

St. Michael's Parish will hold a 45 card social on Mondays beginning at 8:00 p.m. Interested players should contact John O'Leary at 477-4180 or the Church Glebe at 477-3530.

**Adult Supervised Junior High Skate Program**

Parents of Grade 9 Students at Elizabeth Sutherland School manage a fundraising skate session for students every Saturday from 11 to midnight. The well supervised skate offers music and a light show for only \$3 per person. A canteen is available, drives are the responsibility of parents with supervision in cooperation with the teaching staff. Any child caught smoking, drinking or causing fights will be banned.

**Members Wanted**

The Chebucto Hiking Club is looking for members interested in walking and hiking the trails of Halifax County. For more information call 477-7142.

**Be a Dial-A-Ride Driver**

The VON of Greater Halifax is looking for volunteer drivers to help seniors through the daily rigors of groceries, doctors, banking or other errands. Interested persons who want to help on their own schedule should call 455-7433.

**Farm Meeting**

The Urban Farm Museum Society meets the second Monday of each month at the Captain William Spry Community Centre at 7:30 p.m. New members are welcome.

**Infant Massage**

The Single Parent Centre on Sylvia Avenue will conduct Infant Massage Therapy sessions at the Centre on Thursday's at 2 p.m. with Hilary Marentette facilitating. Participants are requested to bring baby blankets for their infants. Monetary donations are accepted.

**Seniors Club Bingos**

The Young At Heart Seniors Club will use it's J. Albert Walker Golden Age Centre, 212 Herring Cove Road, to host band rehearsals, Card Socials Fridays at 8 p.m., Crib Thursdays at 1:15 p.m., and Darts Thursdays at 7 p.m. The Centre Meetings are held the first Tuesday of each month at 1:30 p.m. For information contact Elaine Wells at 477-0837 or 479-0624.

**Community Access Program (CAP)**

A Community Access Program offering computer accessibility to members of the local community will provide internet access to those who might not otherwise have the availability of the resource. The site has been established at St. Paul's Family Resource Centre. For information call 479-1015.

**Food Bank**

People interested in Food Bank services provided by the St. Paul's Family Resource Institute should call 477-5090 on Wednesdays for pick-up on Thursday.



Elizabeth Sutherland School celebrated the Chinese New Year, the Year of the Pony, by bringing in a pony for the kids to ride. Devin Rafuse was one of the first to get aboard under the direction of Amanda Pellerine.

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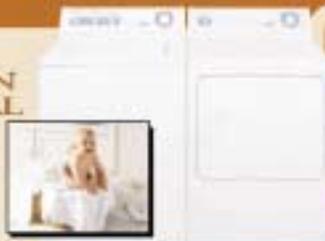
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