

WELCOME APRIL!



Spring has arrived and with it the <u>Spring</u> <u>Weight</u> <u>Restrictions</u> on local roads from February 26th

to May 11th. The weight restrictions on heavy trucks are necessary during the spring thaw to help protect roads weakened by mild and wet weather.

I am so pleased to see the installation of the new Lucasville community signs identifying the boundary for the community of Lucasville. Soon, sign blades will be added to these signs with the following message:

A Black Heritage Community Est 1827

Regional Council has approved the 2018/19 Capital and Operating budgets and were able to keep the tax rate just below 2% at 1.97%. I am available the 1st Friday of each month, at the Beaver Bank Kinsac Community Centre, 1583 Beaver Bank Road (my Beaver Bank Hub office) **from 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm**. Come on in for a chat!







HAD A BLAST PLAYING THE EASTER BUNNY AT THE BEAVER BANK KINSAC COMMUNITY CENTRE



That's me in the bowtie!

JAM SESSIONS FOR LOCAL MUSICIANS



Pictured is Allan Smith with the Lake District Recreation Association (LDRA). A free

jam session will be held every Tuesday evening for local musicians and music fans. The location is the upper level of the Sackville Arena on First Lake Drive.

CN RAIL CROSSING AT BEAVER BANK ROAD AND WINDGATE DRIVE



CN Rail did repair work at the Beaver Bank Road and Windgate Drive rail crossing in early March. In late March they confirmed that their Engineering Department was proceeding with patch work at this rail crossing to smooth out the north end and central parts.

If you experience any issues with this rail crossing, please call CN at 1-888-888-5909 or email them at <u>contact@cn.ca</u>.



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HERE I AM LISTENING AND LEARNING AT THE HRM OPEN HOUSE ON ACCESSIBILITY HELD AT THE SACKVILLE LIBRARY



The municipality is developing an Accessibility Framework to improve access to programs and services.

I encourage you to share your thoughts on how to remove barriers and increase access to the municipality's programs and services to help shape more

inclusive communities. Share your thoughts by taking our online survey: https://www.shapeyourcityhalifax.ca/accessibilit

y-framework ...or, send your comments to our Diversity and Inclusion Office by email at: <u>diversity@halifax.ca</u>.



COUNCILLOR STEVE CRAIG AND I WITH BUSINESS OWNER CHARLENE PICKREM AT THE FIRST INTERNATIONAL WOMENS DAY BREAKFAST IN SACKVILLE



I was honoured to speak at the first International Women's Day Breakfast held in Sackville on March 8, 2018 at the Sackville Legion.

We are fortunate to have so many inspirational women in our own communities who share their experiences; and, by doing so, help other women who are starting out as entrepreneurs. Thanks to all of you for helping guide and mentor others.







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COMMUNITY ROAD TRIP – THREE COMMUNITY MEETINGS IN ONE EVENING, MARCH 7th



Greenway Society Formation Meeting at Wallace Lucas Community Centre, Lucasville



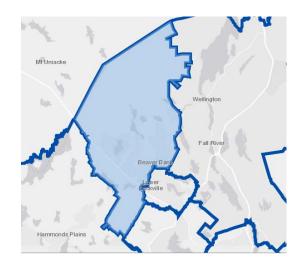
Waterstone Residents Neighbourhood AGM



Berry Hills Phase 8 - Open House

I was pleased to attend all three community events. Each meeting reminded me of what a vibrant and active district we have!

Thank you to each one of our volunteers and staff who are working to make District 14 the best it can be.







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HELPING AT THE COMMUNITY OUTREACH MEAL EVENT (C.O.M.E.) AT KNOX UNITED CHURCH





JASON CRAIG AND I AT THE SACKVILLE COMMUNITY GARDEN DINNER IN RECOGNITION OF ALL GARDEN VOLUNTEERS



Upcoming Learn to Grow Food series dates at the Sackville Public Library

Container Gardening With Ann Buck, Atlantic Master Gardeners Association / Sackville Community Food Garden No registration required Saturday, April 7 | 2:30-3:30 PM

Shake Up Your Vegetable Garden with Niki Jabbour No registration required Wednesday, April 18 | 7-8:30 PM

All programs are free to attend. Everyone is welcome! Questions? Call 902-865-3744 for more information.

Sackville Public Library 636 Sackville Drive



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COUNCILLOR LISA BLACKBURN MIDDLE/UPPER SACKVILLE - BEAVER BANK - LUCASVILLE

MEETING PARTICIPANTS AT THE TIME IS NOW: INDIGENOUS AND RACIALIZED WOMEN IN LEADERSHIP EVENT AT CITY HALL – MARCH 8th





Speaking at the closing of TIME IS NOW: INDIGENOUS AND RACIALIZED WOMEN IN LEADERSHIP event.

COUNCILLOR CRAIG AND I WITH TOWN CRIER GREG FENWICK AT THE SACKVILLE SNOW DAYS CLOSING CEREMONY FEBRUARY 2018



Councillor Steve Craig and I with Town Crier.



Registration for Summer Day Camps 2018 begins on April 2nd. To register please go to the <u>Springfield Lake</u> <u>Recreation Association website</u>.

There are many exciting events planned for the Summer Day Camps such as Theme Days (pirate/lego etc.); Sports (hockey summer style, gymnastics etc.); Science Camp; Holiday Week (Easter, Christmas etc.); Space Ship Camps and Olympics!





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COME ON OUT FOR A NIGHT OF FUN AND SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL KINSMEN CLUB



KINSMEN CLUB OF SACKVILLE

MONTE CARLO CASINO NIGHT Saturday April 14, 2018 8 - 10:30 PM Kinsmen Community Centre Tickets \$10 pp – Call Ron 902-499-3369





COUNCILLOR LISA BLACKBURN



I currently serve on the following Boards and Committees along with Halifax Regional Council and the North-West Community Council:

Appeals Standing Committee Environment and Sustainability Standing Committee Halifax Regional Library Board Accessibility Advisory Committee North West Planning Advisory Committee Destination Halifax Halifax Water Diverse Voices



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