

COUNCILLOR MATT WHITMAN

HAMMONDS PLAINS—ST. MARGARETS DISTRICT 13 NEWSLETTER



HALIFAX REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY

FALL 2019



DEAR RESIDENTS,

I hope you are all having a safe and enjoyable summer! With this beautiful weather and spectacular municipality, we have much to be grateful for. I've had the pleasure of hearing from many of you on issues that matter to you and I've taken your voice to our Community and Regional Councils so that action can be taken.

At our district level, you may have seen me in the 35th Annual Hubbards Grand Street Parade. I enjoyed seeing so many smiling faces and your amazing community spirit. I was honoured to join Father Les Zewdi and the Ethiopian community as they celebrated their official ownership of the St. Gabriel Ethiopian Orthodox Tewahido Church on the Hammonds Plains Road. And, most recently, I worked to convince my Council colleagues to approve capital planning for the development of a second entrance into Highland Park.

Broadly, I've continued to focus on issues such as bike lanes and pushing for options to increase accessibility such as UBER and transit for seniors and veterans.

I'm here to help us grow and enhance our district in sustainable ways that make a vibrant community and keep us safe. As always, please contact me if there is anything I can do for you.

Take care of yourselves and each other,

Best regards,

Matt Whitman

My office is here to serve you

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STEP UP TO LEADERSHIP

Parks and Recreation's Volunteer Services offers a free, nine-session "Step Up to Leadership" course. The course was developed by volunteers, for volunteers. It covers a wide range of topics to help you develop leadership skills and build strong communities. More Information can be found at <https://www.halifax.ca/about-halifax/volunteering/step-leadership>



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CAPITAL CONTRIBUTIONS

In the last two years, I have been so pleased to support organizations like the St. Margaret's Sailing Club, Shatford Memorial Home and School Association, Royal Canadian Legion St. Margaret's Bay Branch 116, St. Margaret's Bay Transportation Society, Peggy's Cove Area Festival of Arts Society, Black Point and Area Community Centre, St. Andrews United Church Hall, Estabrooks Community Hall, The Highland Park Ratepayers Association, William Black Memorial United Church, Roots to Boots Forest School Society, St. Margaret's Bay Elementary School, Sackville Rivers Association, Shambhala Canada Society, Tantallon Village Farmers Market, St. Margaret's Bay Breakers, Hammonds Plains Baseball Association, Cambrians Cove Home Owners Association. All these groups among others are doing such great work in the community. Together we have equipped community centres, completed much needed renovations, made trails and playgrounds safe and accessible and promoted our culture and heritage. If there is anything I can do to help with your community project or event, please let me know!



REGISTER FOR RECREATION PROGRAMS IN HALIFAX

Recreation offers programs to get you moving and feeling great. Join a walking club and explore new trails with friends, take a fitness class, improve your swimming skills, or register your children in a fun, high energy adventure camp.

Halifax has recreation programs for people of all ages and all abilities year round at over 50 community and recreation centres.



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Register online by visiting halifax.ca/myREC

Online PDFs for fall 2019 programs can be found on halifax.ca/myREC



HalifACT 2050: Acting on Climate Together is a long-term climate change plan to reduce emissions and help our communities adapt. The plan will guide efforts to reduce emissions by conserving energy and converting to clean energy sources. The plan will also help communities adapt by raising awareness and helping people prepare.

The Halifax Regional Municipality will continue to help people address climate change with our award-winning Solar City Program. We will continue to plan development and support our builders with a changing climate in mind. However, there is more work to do — HalifACT 2050 is about what we do together to address climate change over the next 30 years.

By working together, we can shape the future of Halifax for generations to come.

- **SAVE** money: reduce your energy consumption
- **CUT** emissions: consider transportation alternatives
- **PREVENT** loss: be prepared for climate-related emergencies
- **STRENGTHEN** communities: become more informed and involved

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FLYER BYLAW F-400



Halifax Regional Council passed By-law F-400 respecting the Distribution of Flyers on June 4, 2019. That can be found at this link: <https://www.halifax.ca/sites/default/files/documents/city-hall/legislation-by-laws/By-lawF-400.pdf>

The purpose of the By-law is to regulate flyer delivery,

including delivery standards and a requirement to not deliver flyers to properties that have a 'No Flyers' sign posted.

There are a few ways citizens can use the new no-flyers bylaw to prevent the delivery of the flyers.

One option is to contact the Saltwire Network or The Chronicle Herald — the primary distributors of door-to-door flyers in the HRM — at 902-426-3031 or 1-800-426-3031 and let them know you no longer wish to receive the materials they deliver.

The other option is to print and post a no-flyers sign on your property. Which can be printed from this link here: <https://www.halifax.ca/sites/default/files/documents/home-property/garbage-recycling-green-cart/no%20flyers.pdf>

Stickers are also available free of charge at the following recreation centres:

- Captain William Spry
- Citadel Community Centre
- Findlay Community Centre
- Tallahassee Community Centre
- Cole Harbour Recreation Centre
- North Preston Community Centre
- Lakeside Community Centre
- LeBrun Centre
- Gordon R Snow Recreation Centre
- Musquodoboit Valley Recreation Office
- Sheet Harbour Recreation Office

If those signs or stickers are displayed at a property, distributors are prohibited from delivering their materials.

CITIZENSHIP AWARDS 2019



Shanyn Bleeker



Emily Boudreau



Jenna Emanuel



Ben Fraser

MAYOR'S BIKE RIDE 2019





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