

# Councillor Russell Walker District 10

Halifax - Bedford Basin West



## Volunteer Awards – Nominations due this week

Each year Halifax Regional Municipality, the Mayor and Council recognize the extraordinary contributions of individuals and groups who volunteer their time in municipal communities.

The deadline to nominate an inspiring volunteer in your community has been extended to **Thursday, December 18th, 2014**. Below are the fillable nomination forms. Nomination criteria can be found within the forms.

[Nomination form for Adult and Youth](#)  
[Nomination form for Groups](#)

If you are having issues opening up the forms, you can [email](#) us and we will email the forms to you directly. For additional information or questions please contact Philip Hammond by [email](#) or by phone at 902-869-4018.

## Winter Parking Ban is now in effect

The overnight winter parking ban is now in effect until March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2014. The ban is only enforced during declared snow and ice events, from 1 a.m. to 6 a.m.

Residents have a responsibility to secure off-street parking during the winter months and seek information about when the parking ban is enforced. The easiest way to stay informed is to sign up for notifications by filling out an [online registration form](#), calling 311 or through [email](#).

If you signed up last season, you will automatically be included. Residents who subscribe will receive timely messages by phone, email, and/or text message, throughout the winter season about the status of overnight winter parking bans in the Halifax region.



Open 7 days a week from 7:00 am to 11:00 pm except Christmas Day and New Year's Day

## 2014 Salvation Army Christmas Kettle Campaign



The Fairview Citadel Salvation Army is launching its annual Christmas Kettle Campaign from November 22<sup>nd</sup> - December 24<sup>th</sup>, and is seeking volunteers to stand alongside their kettles at various locations in Bayers Lake, Fairview and Clayton Park. Volunteer shifts are 2-4 hours.

The Salvation Army recognizes that poverty is a critical issue, and that everyone has a right to access basic necessities such as nutritious food, health care, education and economic opportunity. One hundred percent of the funds raised from this campaign stay in the community and are used to support local Salvation Army Programs for people in need including family services, food baskets, Christmas hampers, emergency shelter and addictions counseling.

For more information or to volunteer, please contact Kettle Coordinator, Devin Casario at 902-809-2769 or through [email](#). The Fairview Citadel Salvation Army thanks you for helping them meet the needs of the local community!

## Pay your Municipal Tax Bill online with Epost

HRM has teamed up with Canada Post to offer epost – the safe, secure and free way to manage your property tax bill online.

1. Visit [epost.ca](http://epost.ca) to sign up for your free digital mailbox.
2. Have your bills and statements ready so you can easily access your account information.
3. Register your bills and statements by clicking on “Add a NEW bill or Statement.”

Check out [epost.ca](http://epost.ca) to learn how you could win \$1,000 by paying your bill online.

## Fairview Family Resource Centre

The Fairview Family Resource Centre has some great opportunities to socialize and learn from other families in our area every week.

Join them every Monday morning from 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. for a free Family Play Group. There is snack time, reading circle, rhymes, games, crafts and more.

Every Tuesday morning from 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. join the free New Parent's / Baby Play Group, up to the age of 12 months. Snacks and coffee are included. Socialize and let your little ones explore. Public health nurse available every other Tuesday.

Located at the Fairview Family Centre, 3524 Dutch Village Road (lower level). Parking is free. Call 902-443-9569 or visit their [website](#) for more details.

## An Opportunity To Serve

Is making a difference in your community important to you? In accordance with the Halifax Public Appointment Policy, interested residents of the municipality are invited to submit their applications to serve for upcoming terms on the Board of Directors for:

[Halifax International Airport Authority](#)  
[Halifax Port Authority](#)  
[Halifax Harbour Bridges](#)

These Boards have responsibility for the oversight, governance and direction of organizations which serve the strategic and economic interests of the municipality and the province. Board competencies include:

- Significant management experience in either the public or private sector.
- A diversified business or professional background.
- Demonstrated ability to think strategically.
- Experience in enterprise risk management, board governance and financial oversight.
- Understanding of the regulatory framework in which the Authority or Commission operates.
- Recognition of the role the Authority/ Commission plays in supporting the economic prosperity, growth and sustainability of the municipality and province.

If you are interested in growing your community and are up to the challenge please submit a cover letter and resume outlining:

- The specific Board you are interested in serving on.
- What skills you would bring to the Board for which you are applying.
- How you have demonstrated the skills & competencies required in your private or public sector experience.

Please submit your application **by midnight December 19, 2014** to:

**Mail:** The Office of the HRM Municipal Clerk,  
Halifax City Hall, PO Box 1749  
Halifax NS B3J 3A5

**Email:** [clerks@halifax.ca](mailto:clerks@halifax.ca)

**Phone Inquiries:** (902) 490-4210

*Appointments are made at the discretion of Council in keeping with the [Public Appointment Policy](#) adopted by Regional Council in August 2011 and in accordance with the Bylaws of the Authority or Commission.*

## Halifax Transit Offers Free Designated Driver Service on New Year's Eve



Celebrate the New Year by taking the ferry, bus, or Access-A-Bus on us.

Bus and Access-A-Bus run from 8:30 p.m. to

2:00 a.m. (check schedules for last trip times).

Alderney Ferry: 8:30 p.m. to 1:45 a.m. (last departure from Halifax). The MetroLink and Metro X services are excluded.

## Off-Leash Park at Mainland Common

Construction of a fenced off-leash dog park at the Halifax Mainland Common is now underway. The first phase of the new public space is expected to open no later than Dec. 31st, 2014.

Work over the next couple of weeks will include constructing a new entry gate, pathway, seating and tables inside the existing fenced portion of the off-leash park.

Crews also hope to get started on the second phase of the project, which focuses on the wooded area of the park. That work will include bringing in small machinery to clean out some of the deadwood and underbrush for pathways, and removing some trees to achieve the planned layout of the park.

For more information on municipal off-leash areas and the Off-Leash Parks Strategy, please visit our [website](#).

## New Year's Eve at the Grand Parade



Ring in the New Year at the Grand Parade from 9:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. on December 31<sup>st</sup>. Join the hosts of CTV

Morning Live and Mayor Mike Savage for the region's largest New Year's Eve gathering. It's a free two-and-a-half hour concert featuring 25 high-energy entertainers including Grammy Award winner Miri Ben-Ari. Celebrate the season and witness the most exciting fireworks show in Nova Scotia. For more information check out our [website](#).

## New Year's Eve at the Emera Oval

DJ Chris Swift will be spinning some tunes during the public skates from 5:30 - 8 p.m. and 9:30 – midnight, and join us for family-friendly fireworks at 7pm. Check out more details on our [website](#).

## New Year's Levées

Join Mayor Savage and Councillors on January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015 in Halifax Hall 1841 Argyle Street from 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. for a meet and greet Levée.

A New Year's Levée will also be held at the Fairview Legion at 50 Hillcrest Street from 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. followed by live music until 5:00 p.m.

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