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#### **Grant Potter Memorial Park and Playground** Revitalization

While The Grant Potter Playground in Annapolis Royal will remain closed for a few more weeks until the snow and ice is gone for good, there have been some exciting developments in the efforts to fund the upcoming revitalization project.

The current project plan is divided into two parts; addressing drainage to ensure accessible walkways, installing new inclusive swings, slides, climbing and balance features and a gazebo/shaded seating area will be "Phase I". Upon completion of this work, the boat is to be replaced with an equally exciting but more accessible and inclusive new boat in Phase II. We've been through a great series of community workshops and consultations and will be ready to finalize plans soon, based upon available funding, and if both phases can be done at once, they will be...

The estimated cost for Phase I is \$142,000, and the boat/Phase II an additional \$40,000+. The Town of Annapolis Royal has now received Federal Accessibility funding for \$59,000! The Town has applied to various other complimentary grants that are being reviewed, but we still need your help! As part of the budgeting and grant application process we have set a local fundraising contribution goal of \$10,000. These cash donations will be directly applied to the purchase of new features such as a double slide, swing set, and shaded seating area, which will be purchased and installed as soon as these fundraising goals are reached. These locally raised funds also represent an investment from the local community and help the likelihood of our current grant applications being

The date that the sum of individual community donations will be reviewed by the Provincial Funding Committee is Feb 28, 2024. Donations before this date strengthen our application, though funds will be happily accepted anytime until we reach the \$10k goal! If we exceed this amount, all funds will be directly applied to the project to make the playground an incredible space.

If you would be interested in having either you or your business fully sponsor any of these features or project components, please contact Noah Scanlan, Active Communities & Recreation Coordinator at 902-955-1205 to discuss, or if you would be willing to offer in-kind services such as excavation, installation, or carpentry, this can also be discussed but you must be fully licensed and insured.

To donate go to www.canadahelps.org and search Grant Potter Memorial Playground.

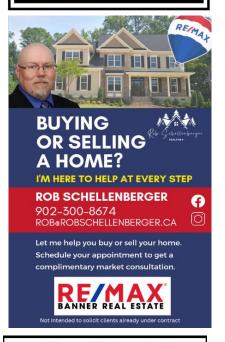
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#### **RCMP Make Arrest**

Annapolis District RCMP executed a search warrant at a property in Inglisville as part of an ongoing investigation and recovered stolen property. In December of 2023, Annapolis District RCMP received information from the public regarding possible stolen property located on private land and initiated an investigation.

On December 29, 2023, Annapolis District RCMP, assisted by the Kings District RCMP, executed a search warrant on Crisp Rd. in Inglisville. During the search, RCMP officers located and seized multiple items including a Camso ATV track kit, 2008 Ford F350 dump truck, John Deere Gator side by side, Honda generator, John DEERE batteries and lighting system, Johnson 9.9 outboard motor, Pentax laser level, and a 2010 Yamaha TTR 110 dirt bike.

On February 14, RCMP officers located and safely arrested the property owner at a home in Kingston. Devin Michael Wood, 33, of Inglisville has been charged with:

- Possession of Property Obtained by Crime of a Value Exceeding \$5000.00 (four counts)
- Possession of Property Obtained by Crime of a Value not Exceeding \$5000.00 (four counts)

Wood was released on conditions and will be appearing in Annapolis Royal Provincial Court on March 20, 2024, at 9:30am. File #: 2023-1899907



# **Community Events**

**Thur. Feb. 29, 12-2:00pm Senior's Soup Luncheon & Skip-Bo Tournament** at Bear River
East Baptist church, 2710 Clementsvale Rd., Bear
River East. Come join us for a soup luncheon,
games of Skip-Bo and a time of fellowship.
Refreshments provided. Everyone welcome.

Thur. Feb. 29, 6:30-8:30pm Rising to the Health Challenges of Our Times with Herbal Medicine. Free workshop with Registered Clinical Herbalist Ember Peters at the Bees Knees General Store & Bakery, 498 Main St, Lawrencetown.

Fri. March 1, 10-11:30am Community Coffee at the Lower Granville Hall in Port Royal, 3551 Granville Road. Held the First Friday of each month through May, 10 - 11:30am, featuring a Book & Magazine Exchange. Come out and enjoy a cup of coffee or tea and bring a snack to share if you are able, along with books and magazines you'd like to donate (optional). Everyone is welcome. \$2/person donation for the Hall. LowerGranvilleHall@gmail.com, Facebook.com/l owergranvillehall, LowerGranvilleHall.com

**Fri. March 1, 11:30am-1pm St. James Lenten Chowder**s (Haddock). 3 dates: Feb. 23, March 1, & March 8. Cost \$12. Take out/delivery or pick-up only. Call Hilda Connell, 902-665-4627 or the Church Hall on Friday morning at 902-665-4734. St. James Anglican Church Hall, Bridgetown.

Fri. March 1, 2:00pm World Day of Prayer
Service 2024 will be hosted by the Bridgetown
United Church Women, at St. Alphonsus Roman
Catholic Church, 93 South Street, Bridgetown.
Storm date will be Sun. March 3rd at 2pm All
welcome.

**Fri. March 1, 7:00pm Jam Session** every Friday Evening at the Youngs Cove Community Hall, 5407 Shore Rd.

Fri. March 1, 7-9:00pm or later Weekly Music – The Annapolis Royal Legion, Branch #21 will host The 3 of THEM. Join us for some great music weekly with no cover charge! Don't forget that we have Happy Hour each Friday from 5:30-7:00pm and cocktail specials each Friday and Saturday! Chase the Ace is Back! The Chase the Ace Draw on behalf of the Annapolis Royal Community Centre will be held each week at 8pm. All members and guests are welcome!

**Sat. March 2, 8-10:00am Lions Big Breakfast**, 20 Jeffery Street, Bridgetown: pancakes, eggs, hashbrowns, sausage, ham, toast, coffee or tea, juice, and the warmth of the community. Free will offering.

Sat. March 2, 9am-12:00pm Annapolis
Royal Winter Farmers and Traders Market
is indoors at the Annapolis Royal Legion, 66
Victoria Street, Saturdays until Spring.

# <u>Sat. Mar. 2 10am-4:30pm</u> <u>WORKSHOP:</u> <u>The Art of the Mobile with Andrew Maize</u>.

A hands-on crash course in the basics of how to design, build and balance mobiles. Explore elements of movement, balance, and light. Create your own dynamic structure to hang at home. \$75 (\$70 for ARCAC members) Upstairs at ARTSPLACE Studio. Learn more and register at <a href="https://www.arcac.ca/the-art-of-the-mobile.html">www.arcac.ca/the-art-of-the-mobile.html</a>

**Sat. Mar 2, 2-4:00pm Maritime Jam Session** at the Granville Ferry Community Hall. All ages/players/listeners welcome.

**Sat. March 2, 7:00pm Jam Sessions,** every Saturday night at the Litchfield Hall. Come out for an evening of music, fun and refreshments and support the hall.

Mon. March 4, 1-4 pm Monday Life

Drawing Sessions at ARTSPLACE. Mondays,
Feb. 5-Mar. 25, \$14 per session. Block
pricing available for ARCAC Members: \$96
for 8 sessions. applecart61@aim.com
396 St. George Street, Annapolis Royal.

**Mon. March 4, 7:00pm** Valley Lions **Radio Bingo** (VLRB) is a Media Bingo broadcast on Annapolis Valley Radio, AVR 97.7FM and other AVR stations from Digby to Windsor, every Monday night from 7-8pm. Bingo Cards are sold through valley retail locations. Info at <a href="https://www.vlrb.ca">www.vlrb.ca</a>

Tues. March 5, 10am Yoga For All Ages and Levels every Tuesday at Clarence Community Hall, 3337 Clarence Road, 10 to 11am. There will be a free will offering to cover heating costs for the hall. Email avfolkschool@gmail.com or call Maureen at 902-825-3070.

Tues. March 5, 1:30pm The Annual Meeting of the Mountains and Meadows Fund will be held in the DeVenney Room of the Bridgetown Library. Public are invited to attend. Please RSVP to Marilyn Kaulbach at 902-840-0504. In case of weather the date is required to change.

<u>Tues. March 5, 1-3:30pm</u> <u>Seniors' Cards</u> at the Farm Café at NSCC, Middleton, every Tuesday. All seniors welcome.

Tues. March 5, 7:00pm Bridgetown Area
Garden Club, St. James Anglican Church Hall,
Bridgetown: Escape the ice and snow to Italy!
Our own Ada Cheung will take us on a
commentated visual journey entitled "Gardens
of Northern Italy" at our regular
BAGC meeting. New members welcome! Bring
the seeds you saved for our seed swap after
Ada's presentation. Place seeds in small
quantities in labelled envelopes. Check us out
on Facebook or

**Legion Bingo** Tuesdays at 205 Marshall Street, Middleton.

**Wed. March 6, 10:00am NS Walks Annapolis Royal** Wednesdays at 10am. Are you interested in getting some exercise, at your pace, with friendly people, and in picturesque surroundings? Join our Walk Group! We meet every Wednesday at 10:00am at the Annapolis Royal Farmers' Market parking lot. Walkers of all ages and abilities are welcome. For further information, call (902) 250-0429.

Wed. March 6, 10:00am NS WALKS
BRIDGETOWN a walking group for all levels and abilities If you are looking for motivation to get out for a bit of exercise and to socialize come join us. Walkers meet at the Library every Wednesday at 10:00 am. All are welcome Registration is not required. For more information check our Facebook Group NS WALKS BRIDGETOWN

Wed. March 6, 10:00am CMHA NS Peer

Support Group - Circle of Friends If you'd like to improve your communication skills and improve your ability to connect or just broaden your circle, join Circle of Friends! Sessions are held each Wednesdays via Zoom. Newcomers are welcome! Register: www.novascotia.cmha.ca





#### MUSEUM DIRECTOR

Employment Opportunity - Permanent, Full Time Seasonal Salaried Position

The Annapolis Heritage Society is seeking a person to fulfill the position of Museum Director to manage the Society's operations at the O'Dell House Museum, the Sinclair Inn Museum and the North Hills Museum.

Qualifications include:

- University Arts Degree with additional education or significant experience in Museum
- Operations.
   Grant and proposal writing, and fundraising experience.
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   Leadership qualities as demonstrated by relevant experience and/or references.
- Strong computer skills using standard software packages or other applications focused on communication, design, online content and social networking.
- Highly organized.

#### Activities Include:

- Research and apply for government grants as required
- Recruit, train and supervise staff
- Perform the duties of a librarian, archivist and curator
- Develop, promote and implement public relations and promotional programs
   Develop and promote the applicable of leadings.
- Develop and maintain the archival collection
- Manage daily operations

The position is described as Permanent, Full Time Seasonal, which is a combination of a 5-day work week during the summer tourist season and part time based on seasonal requirements. It requires being on site at the O'Dell House Museum for the bulk of the time, with periods at the other museums for activities and to supervise staff. Anticipated start date will be at the beginning of April.

Interested persons are encouraged to submit their CV by email to the AHS HR Committee Chair, Bob Buchanan, at <a href="mbuchanan2@gmail.com">mbuchanan2@gmail.com</a> A more complete job description will be available to interested emplicants.

The Annapolis Heritage Society is committed to encouraging a diverse and inclusive community. We welcome applications from underrepresented communities. LGBTQ+, BIPOC and persons with disabilities.

Wed. March 6, 10am or 6:30pm Not Your **Average Lenten Bible Study!** You are invited to join us on Wednesdays in Lent at St. Luke's Anglican Church (340 St. George St.) to discuss some Bible passages in a slightly different way. How would we all have felt if we had been there? We will have two times for this study available, 10am & 6:30pm. We will continue our sessions on March 6th in the Rosette Room, which is located in the back hall of the church. We will meet at the same times on March 13th & March 20th (the season of lent). All are welcome!

Wed. March 6, 3-5:00pm Farmers and Crafters Market, every Wednesday at the Lions Club at 948 Hwy 1, Deep Brook. Local vendors and farmers. New vendors always welcome.

Wed. March 6, 7:00pm Brickton Community Hall Jam Sessions-Every Wednesday @ 7. Free will offering. All welcome.

Wed. March 6, 7:00pm CMHA NS Men's Peer **Support Group** Unrealistic expectations based on gender and a lack of suitable mental health options can prevent those who identify as men from honouring their mental health and reaching out for support when they need it. CMHA NS Division's virtual Men's Peer Support group provides a safe, confidential space for those who identify as male to connect without judgement. Sessions are held each Wednesday via Zoom. Newcomers are welcome! To register, visit www.novascotia.cmha.ca Questions? Contact Keith Anderson, Provincial Lead - at keith.anderson@novascotia.cmha.ca

**Wed. March 6, 7:00pm** Port Royal Lighthouse Association (PRLA) will hold its Annual General **Meeting** at the Lower Granville Hall, 3551 Granville Road, Port Royal. 2023 was a monumental year for the Schafner Point Lighthouse, and the AGM will review highlights of the year and plans for 2024. Everyone living on Granville Road is a member of the Association and invited to attend.

PortRoyalLighthouseAssociation@gmail.com / PortRoyalLighthouse.ca / Visit us on Facebook

Wed. March 6, 7-9:00pm Sing Social! sponsored by Middleton Choral Society with director Andrew Cranston and accompanist Beth Cranston, will be held in Holy Trinity Anglican Church, 45 Main Street, Middleton. This will be a chance for anyone in the community to join in or simply observe the singing. The rehearsal will be followed by a social time with snacks. The choir will soon be celebrating its 50th anniversary - come and learn about it!

#### Wed. March 6, 8:00pm Al-anon Meeting,

for relatives and friends of alcoholics, at the First United Baptist Church at 762 George Street, Annapolis Royal, every Wednesdays at 8pm. Please enter through the front door.

Thur. March 7, 12- 4:00pm Greenwood Mall Farmers Market. Every Thursday. Our mission is to promote healthy living by eating, drinking and shopping local! Greenwood Mall, Greenwood.

Thu. Mar 7, 6:30 pm Outdoor Sports Hub -**Public Consultation at the Bridgetown** 

**Legion.** Can I still walk for free? Do I need to wear special shoes? Where are dogs allowed? Is it closed for the winter? Can my group reserve time to offer an activity? A new volunteer group (ACOSS) has taken over management of this world class facility in our backyard. ACOSS needs your involvement. With your help, we can make this the most open, active and community-oriented facility of its kind anywhere on the globe. Everyone is welcome to attend and speak. | Public consultation meetings will be LIVESTREAMED and archived at <a href="https://www.youtube.com/">www.youtube.com/</a> @AnnapolisCountyOutdoorSports / Contact acoss.society@gmail.com



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#### BOOKKEEPER

**Employment Opportunity - Permanent, Part Time Hourly Position** 

The Annapolis Heritage Society is seeking a part time person to fulfill the position of Bookkeeper to manage the Society's finances at the O'Dell House Museum, the Sinclair Inn Museum and the North Hills Museum.

#### **Oualifications** include

- College level diploma in accounting or bookkeeping, or relevant experience.
- Strong computer skills using standard software packages and online electronic banking
- Highly organized.
- Attention to detail
- Ability to work independently and prioritize tasks.

- Regular accounting tasks such as data entry, processing payroll, accounts receivable and payable, journal entries, reconciliation of accounts, etc.
- Other duties as assigned.
- Prepare reports as required by the AHS Board

The position is described as Permanent, Part Time Hourly, which consists of a 2-3 day work week throughout the year being on site at the O'Dell House Museum to perform relevant duties.

Interested persons are encouraged to submit their CV by email to the AHS HR Committee Chair, Bob Buchanan, at mbuchanan2@gmail.com A more complete job description will be available to interested applicants. This is an immediate opportunity with start date as soon as a suitable candidate is

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### **FITNESS CLASSES**

Granville Ferry Hall (Please come in the back door of Hall)

4 WEEK TERM

Starting Mon. March 11th to Thur. April 4th. MONDAY:

Zumba Gold (Beginners) 5:30pm - 6:15pm Pilates 6:30pm-7:30pm

#### TUESDAY:

BodyBlast Express 11:30am-12:00pm Pilates 12:10pm-1:10pm

#### WEDNESDAY

Zumba Gold (Beginners) 10:00am-10:45am Pilates 11:00am-12:00pm

#### THURSDAY

Bodyblast 10:00am-10:45am

11:00am-12:00pm Pilates

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BodyBlast

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Sat. March 9, 8-10:00am The next monthly community breakfast at Holy Trinity Anglican Church, Middleton, FREEWILL OFFERING. Known as the "Buy Local-Buy Fresh" breakfast 'cause when you buy the best you serve the best! Best eggs east of TOFINO!

Sat. Mar. 9, 7-10:00pm Old Time Music & **Country Dance** at the Round Hill Hall, 1689 Hwy. 201. \$10. Live fiddle music by the North Mountain Islanders. Instruction in 2 Steps and waltzes, maybe a contra or two. Polkas by Request. Fund raiser for Save Our Old Forests. soof@saveouroldforests.ca.

**Sun March 10 Holistic Tracking** adult class series, Annapolis and Digby Counties on the second Sunday of each month. Learn to read the stories on the land and how you can activate your full human potential through the ancient art and science of tracking. Sign-up for a single class or the whole series. More information and registration at connectionpathways.com/in-person-events

Sun. March 10, 4:00pm Classical Second **Sunday Series** at St. Luke's Anglican Church. Come and hear some beautiful music by concert pianist Devin Huang. Doors will open at 3:30 PM, 340 St. George St, Annapolis Royal. Admission by donation, all welcome!

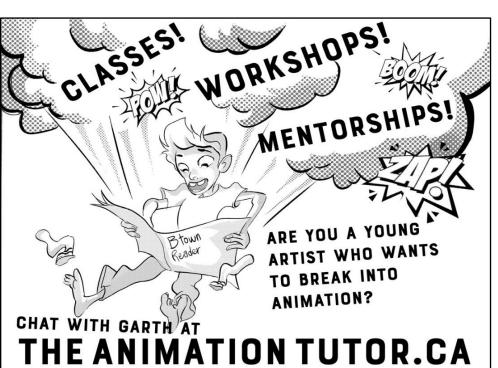
Sun. March 10, 7:00pm Second Sunday **Games Night** at Lower Granville Hall in Port

Royal. Everyone is welcome! Coffee and tea provided, along with games and cards. Other games welcome too, so you can bring something you'd like to play. \$2/person donation for the Hall. Lower Granville Hall is at 3551 Granville Road, in Port Royal. We look forward to seeing you there! LowerGranvilleHall@gmail.com, Facebook.com/lowergranvillehall, LowerGranvilleHall.com

Sun. March 10, 8:00pm Evans & Doherty at Evergreen Theatre. Our first show of 2024 is going to be a fun one! Evans & Doherty are an accomplished musical duo. They can start toes tapping with a rousing drinking song or bring a tear to the eye with a lament on the futility of war. Adults \$35, Members \$25, Military \$30, Students \$20. Available at www.evergreentheatre.ca or 902-825-6834. 1941 Stronach Mountain Rd., Margaretsville.

**Thur. March 14, 7:00pm** The **Clarence 4-H Club** meets at the Clarence Hall on the second Thursday of each month at 7pm. New members and leaders are always welcome! For more information call Shanda at 902-824-2835

**Sat. March 16, 2-3:30pm** Come spend the afternoon with **Ken Maher** and discover the quirks and queries of the Annapolis Royal Sinclair Inn. Part of the 2024 Speaker series by the Friends of the Annapolis Royal Library in the Dugua Room at the Annapolis Royal Library, 143 Ritchie Street. All sessions are free. Free will gratefully accepted.



#### Wed. March 13, 7-9:00pm Crafting Evening at Round Hill Hall every 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday. Bring what you enjoy crafting and show everyone what you know. Drop a donation in our can to help with heating and electric. For more information call Geri 902-532-2948

Thurs. March 14 11:30am-1:30pm Best Years Fellowship for Seniors at Hillsburn Baptist Church, 3686 Shore Rd West, Hillsburn. St Patrick's Day Pot-Luck Luncheon and Irish Sing-along with Teresa Porter Bring a little and we can feed many.

Thur. March 14, 7:00pm Lower Granville **Hall Association** will hold its Annual General Meeting at the Community Hall located at 3551 Granville Road, Port Royal. Everyone living on Granville Road is an automatic member of the Association and welcome to attend the meeting. LowerGranvilleHall.com / Facebook.com/lowergranvillehall /LowerGranvilleRoad@gmail.com

Sat. March 16, 7-9:00pm House Concert at Dawn Oman Gallery Treat yourself to an evening of great easy listening music with the sound of local group "Permanent Resonance" -Lisa Huyer, Amanda Sosnowski and Mike Phillips. Tickets available at the door for \$10 each. For reserve seating for groups of 4 or more please call 902-588-2002.



If you can dream it, we can build it

# FREE! **March Break**

# **Bridgetown Arena**

Monday, March 11th 4:00 - 5:00 pm Tuesday, March 12th 3:00 - 4:00 pm Wednesday, March 13th 4:00 - 5:00 pm Thursday, March 14th 3:00 - 4:00 pm Friday, March 15th 3:00 - 4:00 pm Saturday, March 16th 10:00 - 11:00 am

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#### Tablet Talk: Intro to Tablets & iPads Join Deb McBean to learn about tablets & iPads:

- · Setting up and navigating your device
- Using basic features and apps
- Compatible add-on devices
- · Connecting to the internet
- · Safety and social media
- Troubleshooting common issues

**Location: CORAH at NSCC Middleton Campus** WEDNESDAY March 6: \*10:00am - 11:30am\* Register: corah-avc@nscc.ca OR 902-825-5215



#### Personal Safety through Protection, Awareness, Defense

Join Jamie Edwards for classes to:

- Develop your intuition and awarenss
- · Learn how to Detect, De-escelate, Defend
- Develop skills to manage fear and anxiety
- Build confidence and feel safe in situations THURSDAYS: 2:00pm 3:00pm March 07 - April 11, 2024

\*6 weeks for \$ 40\* Location: CORAH - NSCC Middleton Campus Register: corah-avc@nscc.ca OR 902-825-5215





Scam No More, 2024!

Join RCMP Sharon Elliott of the Annapolis

· Latest news on email and related scams

**County Seniors Safety Program to learn about:** 

· Top frauds and scams to watch out for in 2024

· How to protect yourself and your loved ones

THURSDAY March 07 \*10:00am - 11:30am\*

· Insurance, phone, online scams & much more!

**Location: CORAH at NSCC Middleton Campus** 

Register: corah-avc@nscc.ca OR 902-825-5215



## **Line Dancing for New Beginners**

- Join Justine Reiner for fun and dance: Learn a fun & energizing form of dance
- No experience necessary
- Be prepared to have a good time!

WEDNESDAYS: 3:15pm - 4:15pm March 06 - May 08 \* 10 weeks for \$25\* Location: CORAH at NSCC Middleton Gym Register: corah-avc@nscc.ca OR 902-825-5215





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#### Line Dancing for Beginners 2

Join Justine Reiner for fun and dance:

- Improve your dancing skills
- Challenge yourself with new steps
- Laugh, dance and have a great time! THURSDAYS: 3:15pm - 4:15pm

March 07 - May 09 \* 10 weeks for \$25\* Location: CORAH at NSCC Middleton Gym Register: corah-avc@nscc.ca OR 902-825-5215









The Bridgetown Regional Outdoor Sports Hub has new managers.

# **PUBLIC CONSULTATIONS:**

Thursday, March 7, 6:30 PM at the Bridgetown Legion (20 Jeffery)

**MEETINGS LIVESTREAMED VIA** www.youtube.com/@AnnapolisCountyOutdoorSports

Learn about the facilities - Discuss the future Tell us what you care about - Join a volunteer team Meet members of the Annapolis County Outdoor Sports Society

Everyone is welcome to attend and speak on either or both nights. Warm drinks and light refreshments provided.

Contact acoss.society@gmail.com

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**Dustin Enslow** Councillor District 3

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Sat. March 16, 8:00pm Campbell & Johnston at

Evergreen Theatre. Halifax Blues-Rock power duo, Christine Campbell & Blake Johnston have been building a name for themselves, entertaining audiences with their soulful tone, 60's and 70s rock style guitar riffs and bewitching vocal harmonies; and opening up for some big names, like Burton Cummings, Steve Earle & Bob Seger. Tickets: Adults \$35, Members \$25, Military \$30, Students \$20. Available at www.evergreentheatre.ca or 902-825-6834. 1941 Stronach Mountain Rd., Margaretsville.

Sun. March 17, 12-2:30pm SOOF Soup Sunday

Join the Save Our Old Forests on St. Patrick's Day at Centrelea Community Hall for a free lunch of delicious soup and bread and a conversation about old forests! Free will donation to the Hall appreciated. Please email

soof@saveouroldforests.ca to let us know you are coming so we can make enough for everyone.

Mon. March 18, 1;30-3pm Care Givers Support **Group** (for people who care for loved ones with dementia) The group meets the 3rd Monday of the month, except July and August, from 1:30 -3:00pm, at St George & St Andrew United Church, 393 St George St, Annapolis Royal, (at the lights), Office Door, side entry. Contacts: Art Jones - 902-532-0784; Lou Fletcher - 902-532-2377

**Mon. March 18, 7:00pm** Moschelle Community Hall will be holding their **Annual General Meeting** at the hall. All welcome to join us.

Wed. March 20, 6-8:00pm Join Anne of Awkward Acres at Junction Sixteen Kitchen & Bar in Bridgetown to make your own **Spring Button Posy!** Enjoy time with friends while flexing your creative muscles. This easy-peasy Button Posy explores colour and texture in a 6" bamboo embroidery hoop using a variety of fabrics, yarn, ribbon, and interesting buttons! Crafters not only take home the ready to display or gift super cute craft, but learn 3 versatile mending stitches. \*\*Early Bird Ticket: \$28\*\* (register before March). Tickets \$32. or Group Ticket (4 crafters): \$112. To register, contact <u>awkwardacres@gmail.com</u> Includes all materials and take-home stitch instructions. All ages, all people welcome. Food and beverage sold separately. For further information and to register contact <a href="mailto:awkwardacres@gmail.com">awkwardacres@gmail.com</a>

Fri. March 22, 1:303pm Craft Connections: Junk Art Jewellery - A perfect way to upcycleusing scraps of fabric and found objects, we'll make wearable art! All materials supplied, but if you have a few bits and bobs you want to add, bring them along. Hand-sewing is required, all experience levels welcome. For ages 18+. No experience necessary. Registration is required. This event is sponsored by the Bridgetown & Area Friends of the Library. Visit

https://annapolisvalley.librarycalendar.com/even t/crafty-connections-junk-art-jewellery-10061 to register.



**Sat. March 23, 1:30pm The Good Samaritan Circle** will be hosting an Easter-themed time of fellowship and fun. There will be games, puzzles, refreshments, and lots of fellowship. Bring a friend, make some new ones. Everyone is welcome. You can call 902-698-9467 for more information. Wilmot Baptist Christian Fellowship Centre, 208 Dodge Road.

Thur. March 28 Easter Bake Sale at Middleton Home Hardware, 47 Commercial St., beginning at 9:00am. Baked items include: Various loaves, Cookies, Squares, Cakes, Bread, and other home-made baked goods. There will also be some craft items for sale. Proceeds in aid of Soldiers Memorial Health Auxiliary.

**Sun. April 7, 10am-2:00pm Bear River Jumble Sale**: Community Yard Sale, at 1913 Clementsvale Road, Bear River. Find a wide variety of collectables, antiques, functional, and novelty items. Contact BearRiverEvents@gmail.com

**Sat. April 20, 2-3:30pm** Speaker **Claire Jimmison** provides an opportunity to learn about dementia and how to reduce your risk of vascular dementia by reducing your risk of stroke. Part of the 2024 Speaker series by the Friends of the Annapolis Royal Library in the Dugua Room at the Annapolis Royal Library, 143 Ritchie Street. All sessions are free. Free will gratefully accepted.

Sat. April 27, 10am-3:00pm Craft Supply De-Stash Sale and Tea at Paradise Community Hall, 10300 Hwy 1, Paradise. Calling all Crafters! Looking to reduce your surplus craft supplies? Book a very reasonably priced table (\$7.50, \$10, or \$15 depending on size) to sell your extras! Quilting fabric and supplies, buttons, card making, scrapbooking, rug hooking, knitting and crochet yarn, stamping, Cricut, and more! Please note: This is a cash event and intended for supplies, not finished items. Tables for selling must be reserved and paid in advance and are first come first served. For table rental & more information, email Carrie at paradisevillagequilters@gmail.com

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#### Nomination deadline extended to March 11, 2024

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If you have any questions, please contact Nadine at <a href="mailto:nmccormick@annapoliscounty.ca">nmccormick@annapoliscounty.ca</a> or at (902) 526-2907.





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We want to assure you that this will be temporary until we find enough qualified people to go back to regular hours.

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We appreciate your understanding and support as we make this adjustment. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out to us.

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### - WARDEN'S WORDS -February 2024

African Heritage Month - This year's theme, Our Smiles, Our Joy, Our Resilience as African Nova Scotians, outlines the spirit of perseverance that people of African descent have demonstrated over the centuries in Nova Scotia. This province has more than 50 historic African Nova Scotian communities with a

long, deep and complex history dating back more than 400 years. It is important to take this time to celebrate and promote the culture, achievements and contributions of people of African descent in Nova Scotia: past and present.

- Nova Scotia Heritage Day (William Hall) This day marks an annual reminder of our storied past, and an opportunity to honour the remarkable people, places and events that have contributed to this province's unique heritage. This year's honouree was William Hall. Born in Wolfville in 1827, he was awarded the Victoria Cross in 1859, the highest military honour in the British Empire. Hall is buried in the grounds of the Hantsport Baptist Church.
- National Flag Day At the stroke of noon on February 15, 1965, Canada's red and white maple leaf flag was raised for the very first time on Parliament Hill. On the same day in 1996, National Flag of Canada Day was declared. It is a day we get to honour our iconic flag!
- Special Olympics Winter Games Three athletes from Annapolis County -- Tim Prosser, Jess Cranton, and Chloe Stoddart -- as well as two coaches -- Jim Spurrell and Cheryle Gaston-McMullen -- have headed out west to Calgary, Alberta, to compete in the 2024 Special Olympics Winter Games (Feb 27-Mar 2). There are 42 other athletes from Nova Scotia joining them at this national event. We wish them all the best of luck.
- Congratulations Congratulations to Deputy Warden Brad Redden who now sits on the Nova Scotia Federation of Municipalities (NSFM) Board of Directors.
- Annapolis County Volunteer Recognition You are encouraged to nominate a deserving volunteer. Visit our website at AnnapolisCounty.ca to learn more. This is a wonderful opportunity to honour these special individuals; they are the heart of our communities.
- Extra Day Remember, you have an extra day in 2024 to enjoy some winter fun. This is a Leap Year! So, take this "extra" time to explore our beautiful county. I encourage you to take advantage of our Recreation Department's free loan-out program, grab a pair of snowshoes, and visit one our beautiful trails for a peaceful walk in nature.

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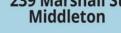
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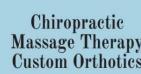
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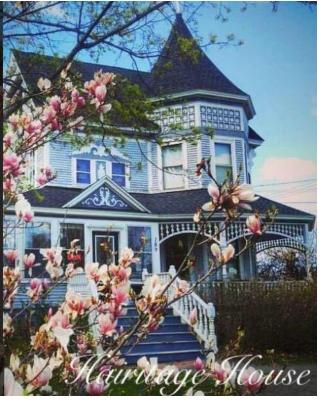
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Date: Sat. April 6 Time: 10am-3:00pm Address: 10307 Highway 1

Cost: \$55 fee includes materials as well as instruction. Learn either yarn or wool hooking.

Bring your lunch. Pre-payment required. Spots are limited so check your calendars and register to reserve one of the 12 spots. For registration and payment information contact Barbara Bishop at 902-825-9198 or barbarabishop84@gmail.com

The Paradise Heritage Centre is looking for someone to work for a few hours each month to help with light cleaning tasks, taking our garbage, clearing snow at entrance. Pay would be around \$80.00 each month. If you are interested please contact at barbarabishop84@gmail.com

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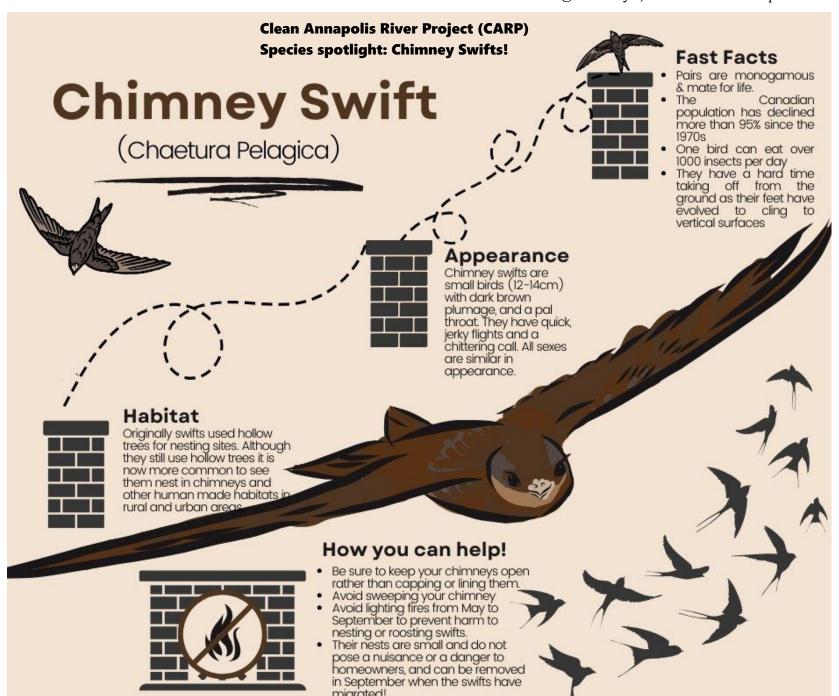
#### The Parish of Bridgetown, **Anglican Church Service Schedule**

February 28, 7:00pm: Service of Holy Eucharist, St. James, Bridgetown.

March 3, 9:30am: Service of Morning Prayer, St. Mary's, BelleIsle.

March 3, 11:00am: Service of Morning Prayer (said service), St. James, Bridgetown

March 10, 9:30am: "Mothering Sunday," Joint Parish Service of Holy Eucharist @ St. Mary's, BelleIsle. Fellowship to follow.



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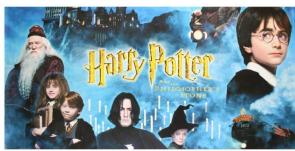


VANYA - STAGE TO SCREEN Andrew Scott brings multiple characters to life in a radical new version of Chekhov's Uncle Vanya. SUNDAY, MARCH 3rd 3:00pm



THE PROMISED LAND In 18th century Denmark, a proud, ambitious war hero

(Mads Mikkelsen) sets out to tame a vast, uninhabitable land WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6th @ 7:00pm



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FREE March Break Film. Dress up & have fun! SUNDAY, MARCH 10th @ 3:00pm



**BOB MARLEY: ONE LOVE** 

A film about how reggae icon Bob Marley overcame adversity, and the journey behind his revolutionary music WEDNESDAY. MARCH 13th @ 7:00pm



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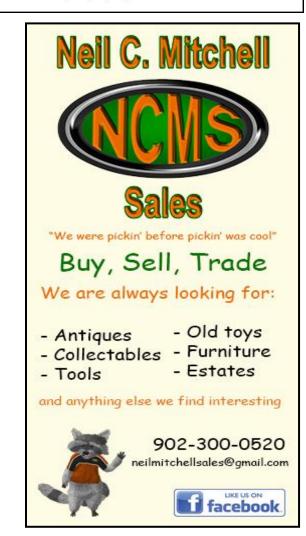
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# **Annapolis County Council Highlights** Feb. 20, 2024

**Development Officer Appointment** – Municipal Council appointed Mahsa Koushki as a Development Officer for the Municipality of the County of Annapolis to administer the Municipality's Land Use Bylaws and Subdivision Bylaw.

Water Supply Area Advisory Committee Policies – Repeal – Municipal Council repealed AM-1.3.6.12 Lake Cady Water Supply Area Advisory Committee, AM-1.3.6.13 Lawrencetown Water Supply Area Advisory Committee, and AM-1.3.15 Margaretsville Water Supply Area Advisory Committee (seven-day notice). Planning matters for these water supply areas have been incorporated into the County-wide Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use Bylaw.

**2024 Election – List of Electors Information Sharing Agreement** – Municipal Council approved the use of the provincial electors list as maintained by the Province of Nova Scotia and authorized the CAO to sign the 2024 Information Sharing Agreement.

<u>Capital Reserve Funds – North Queens Fire Association</u> – Municipal Council authorized the withdrawal of \$80,000 from the Capital Fire Services Reserve Fund to the North Queens Fire Association in the 2023-24 fiscal year.

#### **Community Grants:**

<u>Grow to Gather Garden Association</u> – Municipal Council approved a grant in the amount of \$1,950 to support their "Renewing the Gardens" program in accordance with AM 1.4.9 Community Grants, Community Programs Assistance Fund.

<u>Bear River Board of Trade</u> - Municipal Council approved a grant in the amount of \$3,000 to support waterfront park landscaping in accordance with AM 1.4.9 Community Grants, Large Capital Pledge Grant.

<u>Middleton Swimming Pool Society</u> - Municipal Council approved a grant in the amount of \$1,225 to support expansion and revitalization of aqua fitness classes in accordance with AM 1.4.9 Community Grants, Community Programs Assistance Fund

<u>Middleton Railway Museum Society</u> - Municipal Council approved a grant in the amount of \$5,000 to support a new 1950's transport trailer exhibit in accordance with AM 1.4.9 Community Grants, Small Project Matching Grants.

<u>Cottage Cove District Wharf Society</u> - Municipal Council approved a grant in the amount of \$10,000 to support upgrades and repairs to the Cottage Cove Wharf in accordance with AM 1.4.3 Harbour Authorities & Societies Capital Assistance Program, Large Project Capital Investment Grant.

**Marketing Levy Bylaw (New)** – Municipal Council authorized First Reading to approve the new Marketing Levy Bylaw.

#### **Citizen Appointments**:

<u>Audit Committee</u> – Municipal Council appointed the following three citizens to the Audit Committee – Erich Beifuss, Alexander Robert Cowan, and Melony Robinson – for a term ending November 30, 2024.

#### **Council Member Appointments:**

<u>Audit Committee</u> - Municipal Council appointed the following three councillors to the Audit Committee - Deputy Warden Brad Redden, Councillors Dustin Enslow and Wendy Sheridan - for a term ending October 31, 2024.

Medical Recruitment Financial Assistance Program Policy (Dr. AC Silver) – Municipal Council approved a payment of \$10,000 to the Soldiers Memorial Hospital Foundation for the purpose of providing a grant to Dr. AC Silver, and further that the Foundation and doctor confirm receipt of the grant, in accordance with AM 1.4.9.1 Medical Recruitment Financial Assistance Program Policy.

(Please be advised, this document represents only highlights taken from the Municipal Council meeting. If you wish to see the Council meeting in its entirety, please visit Annapolis County Municipal Channel.)



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Sunday, March 3rd, 10:00pm Holy Eucharist Service Third Sunday in Lent

Celebrant Rev. Julia Ford Preacher: Brent Fewster All Welcome

#### **Holy Week Services**

Sun. March 24th, 10am- Palm Sunday Mon. March 25th, 7pm- Evensong Tues. March 26th, 7pm- Stations of the Cross Wed. March 27th, 7pm- A Service of Tenebrae Thur. March 28th, 7pm- Maundy Thursday Fri. March 29th, 10am- Good Friday Sat. March 30th, 8pm- Easter Vigil Sun. March 31st, 10am- Easter Sunday



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**Fri. March 1, 7:30pm Guy Davis** (live performance) Guy Davis is a two-time, back-to-back Grammy nominee for Best Traditional Blues, a musician, Actor, Author, and Songwriter. Guy uses a blend of Roots, Blues, Folk, Rock, Rap, Spoken Word, and World Music to comment on, and address the frustrations of social injustice, touching on historical events, and common life struggles. His background in theater is pronounced through the lyrical storytelling of songs "God's Gonna Make Things Over" about the 1921 Tulsa Race Massacre, "Welcome to My World", and "Got Your Letter In My Pocket". His storytelling is sometimes painful, deep, and real, an earthy contrast to modern-day commercial music, meant to create thought, underlined by gentle tones from his guitar or banjo fingerpicking. A self-taught "Renaissance Man", he first heard the banjo at a summer

A self-taught "Renaissance Man", he first heard the banjo at a summer camp run by John Seeger, the brother of the American Folk Musician, Pete Seeger, and soon after, asked his father for one. Tickets: \$35 Adults, \$5 Youth.

Sat. March 2, 3:00pm and 7:30pm We Have Overcome (live performance) A youth dance show led by Wendy Goudie with Sparkle Dancers, joined by AWEC students. Dive into the challenges and triumphs

Dancers, joined by AWEC students. Dive into the challenges and triumphs of today's youth. Sparkle Dance teams each selected social issues they feel deserving of attention – bullying, being brave, metal health, the strength of friends – this dance show has all the feels! There is a power to bringing awareness to meaningful topics from a stage, and we are so grateful for Kings Theatre to give our community's youth this platform.

Join us celebrate our local youth dancing and speaking on everything from hard losses to uplifting resilience. Sparkle Dance is happy to have a special addition from AWEC. As an in-school project, a group of high school students will also be contributing a presentation. Tickets: Adults \$15, Youth \$5.

**Sun. March 3, 3:00pm Vanya** (a National Theatre Stage to Screen presentation) Andrew Scott (Fleabag) brings multiple characters to life in Simon Stephens' (The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time) radical new version of Chekhov's Uncle Vanya. Hopes, dreams, and regrets are thrust into sharp focus in this one-man adaptation which explores the complexities of human emotions. Filmed live during its sold-out run in London's West End. Presented by Wessex Grove, Gavin Kalin Productions and Kater Gordon. Tickets: \$15.95.

**Wed. March 6, 7:00pm The Promised Land** (film, 14A, Danish) In 18th century Denmark, Captain Ludvig Kahlen (Mads Mikkelsen) — a proud, ambitious, but impoverished war hero — sets out to tame a vast, uninhabitable land on which seemingly nothing can grow. He seeks to start farming crops, build a colony in the name of the King, and gain a noble title for himself. This beautiful but forbidding area also happens to be under the rule of the merciless Frederik De Schinkel, a preening nobleman who realizes the threat Kahlen represents to his power.

Struggling against the elements and local brigands, Kahlen is joined by a couple who have fled the clutches of the rapacious De Schinkel. As this group of misfits begins to build a small community in this inhospitable place, De Schinkel swears vengeance, and the confrontation between him and Kahlen promises to be as violent and intense as these two men. Tickets: \$10.95 Adult, \$6.95 Youth.

**Fri. March 8, 7:30pm Amir Amiri Ensemble** (live performance) The Amir Amiri ensemble is an ensemble of virtuoso musicians steeped in Persian tradition: Amir Amiri (santur), Abdul-Wahab Khayyali (oud), Reza Abaee (ghaychak), Omar Abu Afech (Viola), and Hamin Honari (percussion).

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While seeking to expand the boundaries of these musical traditions, balancing heritage and innovation, they find that the possibilities are limitless. In the eclectic musical universe of the Amir Amiri Ensemble, borders are abolished to make way for bewitching alchemy and a mystical conversation between these kindred-spirit musicians is had. Tickets: \$35 Adults, Youth Free.

**Sat. March 9, 7:30pm Rumour Has It: the Songbook of Adele** (live performance) Conceived and created by Kelly Holiff and Jeremy Webb with musical arrangements by Sarah Richardson. Bringing the songbook of Adele to life, renowned actor and singer, Kelly Holiff performs Adele's most iconic songs. With her powerful voice, huge heart and hilarious stories, Kelly brings her own interpretation of Adele's music to the stage. Backed by a world-class band led by musical director Sarah Richardson.

Kelly Holiff is one of Canada's most dynamic performers. Local audiences will remember her outstanding and uproarious performance as Captain Hook in Neptune's Peter Pan. Sarah Richardson has been a performer, multi-instrumentalist, and musical director for over 20 years. Put these amazing artists together with the songbook of one of the best songwriters of the modern age and we hope you agree that we have a sublime evening of song. There is no doubt in our minds of the excellence of Adele's artistry and it's our plan to leave you rushing to the store to buy her entire album catalogue. Tickets: \$45 Adults, \$15 Youth.

#### Sun. March 10, 3:30pm Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone

(film) Free March Break film. Dress up as your favourite character and get in the Hogwarts spirit! Harry Potter, a boy who learns on his eleventh birthday that he is the orphaned son of two powerful wizards and possesses unique magical powers of his own. his event is first-come-first-served general seating. Doors open 45 minutes before showtime. Please arrive early. Children under 12 must be accompanied by a guardian when attending a King's Theatre event.

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#### **Annapolis Valley Folk School Events**

The following is a barter-based event. If this is your first time attending a barter-based skills-trade class, note that attendees are encouraged to bring an item(s) to offer in exchange for the knowledge shared in addition to any supplies required for the class. Preferred items are noted for each session. Registration and a ticket are required. For more info and link to Eventbrite find Annapolis Valley Folk School on Facebook. There is no fee associated with this ticket but please do not just indicate "coming" on the event - we've found this is not an accurate capture of attendees. If you have any difficulty registering, you can send us an email to avfolkschool@gmail.com or Annapolis Valley Folk School on Facebook.

# Thur. March 7, 6:30pm Homesteading 101: Garden Planning Question and Answer Session at 1963 Clarence Road, Bridgetown.

Gardening 101 Join us for a discussion where we will cover a number of topics including sourcing and selecting seeds, planning garden spaces, companion planting, soil health, pest management, cold frames and greenhouses, and more...if we have time! Some of the questions we will attempt to answer include: What grows best and where. Common pests and management solutions. Where to get the seeds you want/need, and at a decent price. To till or not to till. Do I need a greenhouse or cold frame, and why. Checking and maintaining soil health.

Get your tickets here:

https://www.eventbrite.ca/.../homesteading-101-gardening...

Preferred barter items - the facilitator requests that people bring any seeds they may have to share/exchange with each other as well as items for the pantry, such as pasta, rice, canned veggies, meats, meals, soups, crackers, cereal, milk, eggs, bread.

#### Sun. March 17, 2:00pm Homesteading 101:

Should We Get A Dairy Cow? at 1963 Clarence Road, Bridgetown. Wondering about getting a cow? Cows are amazing and easily earn their keep converting sunlight into milk and are not as difficult as you may think! Come learn all about what it takes to own a cow and manage a lot of milk -- what it costs here in Annapolis Valley and what/how/where to find the necessary resources in our area. Learn about feeding, housing, fencing, breeding, calving, and handling cows and how to get the milk out of the cow and into the house. We will also explain how to manage the milk in the kitchen to make and use the many dairy products -- milk, cheese, butter, whey and so much more.

Get your tickets here:

https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/homesteading-101-should-we-get-a-dairy-cow-tickets-840940364267?aff=

Our facilitator's preferred items are: Local foods, natural fibres products, new, used or for re purposing, outdoor plants, and seeds.

**Sat. March 16 Paper Piecing** at 1963 Clarence Road, Clarence. More information to follow.

Mon. March 25 6:30 pm March's Makers Swap at 1963 Clarence Road, Clarence. GET A TICKET ON EVENTBRITE, available March 16

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"Wintery Visage" Cryptoquote Answer:
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You may be familiar with the Wood Frog: a small, brown frog bearing a dark mask over its eyes. Maybe you've heard their chattering spring calls or glimpsed them hopping across the forest floor. But what do Wood Frogs do in

Many of our frog species spend this long season underwater. Not the Wood Frogs, however! They nestle into the leaf litter in a cozy, shallow nook in the ground, and then they begin to freeze.

That's right, freeze! Wood Frogs are cold specialists, ranging all the way up to Alaska. They have an incredible adaptation that enables them to survive over half of their body being frozen. By producing their own natural "antifreeze", their bodies are protected from harm as they await the spring. This super-cool strategy allows them to take advantage of vernal pools for breeding. These seasonal ponds are dry for much of the year, meaning they can't support aquatic predators like fish. This makes them a safer spot for Wood Frogs to lay their eggs.

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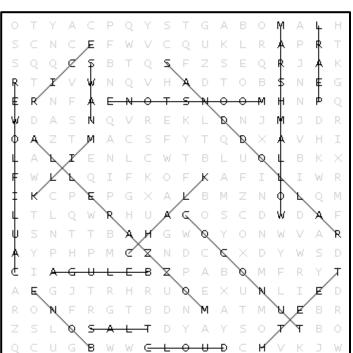
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The Perky Loaf is offering a taste of El Salvador. For this evening, we are bringing you a 3 course meal. Pupusas are the typical first course, second course will be Enchiladas, another popular meal and to finish this evening of flavour we bring you Trea Leches Cake. Join us for an evening of flavours and fun. Fri. March 1st, 4-7 pm. 902-932-9888. Located at 11889 Hwy 1 Brickton. \$27.00 per person

#### The Middleton Sports Heritage Wall of

**Fame** is accepting nominations for this year's Induction. Nominations must be in by March 31, 2024. Forms can be downloaded from our website but must be emailed to brent\_davis@bellaliant.net (as our site has been hacked for sending them.) Thanks for helping us honor deserving Individuals.

**FREE Workshop for CAF Members, Veterans** 

Starting on 4 March, 4-6 PM. Life Through a Mask, a 4-week, peer-led Mask Sculpting workshop. Explore strengths and resiliency in a confidential, non-clinical setting. Hosted by 7Arts, 619 Central Ave in Greenwood and funded by Veterans Affairs Canada. Email to register: lifethroughamask@mail.com. No art experience necessary.

The Middleton District Arena is having an **auction**. There are already a ton of great items to bid on. And all for a good cause! You can join the auction group here. https://www.facebook.com/groups/76022302

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The Annapolis Folk School pantry, located at 43 Lawrencetown Lane, is increasingly active with many people using it. Donations are always welcome. A few suggestions are crackers, canned pasta, meats, and veggies, rice, macaroni and cheese, pastas and sauces. We were given a fridge so milk, cream, margarine, yogurt, and cheeses can all be dropped off as well. Thank you!



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\*\* For a quicker response when sending messages via FB, it's faster to call the salon, we don't check phones when we're with clients (unless we are discussing Pinterest ideas together).

\*\*Thinking about Easter yet? We have full shelves of products and/or Gift Certificate.

\*\*Annapolis Royal Volunteer Volunteer Fire Department - shared they have exciting news! Started the process of building a new utility truck and replacing their 2005 GMC. This truck is the first response truck for water rescues, medical emergencies and MVC's. The chassis purchase was made possible by all your support through the firefighters 50/50 draw, donations and through fundraising events. Shout OUT to Jason Ripley of Kentville Dodge for helping find the best deal and made it an easy process.!

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\*\*Dancing in Bridgetown- April 6th at the Legion, Doors open at 8:00pm \$10 per person. Featuring High Energy. 'BACK to the 80's!'

\*\*Dancing in Round Hill-#1689 Hwy #201. Old Time Music & Country Dance, Sat March 9th 7 - 10 pm. LIVE fiddle music by North Mountain Islanders. Cost \$10. Fundraiser for SOOF soof@saveouroldforests.ca. Now are a registered nonprofit.

\*\*Fundraising events coming up to help the Annapolis Community Pool in town. The Pancake Breakfast Sat March 30th requires you to buy tickets in advance & select your arrival time. Go to annapolispool.org/fundraisers Silent Auction and Grand in the Hand also at the breakfast.

\*\*Have you looked at your civic number as if a first responder was trying to find you or your neighbour? 4 feet off the ground, numbers should be 4 inches in height. From the road to the civic number should be 8- 10 feet. Perpendicular to the road so it's visible in both directions, IF NOT? Did you know the Lions Club look after civic #'s. Order yours at Home Hardware or Lequille Store.

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\*\*March 17th St Patrick's Day is fast approaching-Mad Hatter Wine Bar (Anna. Royal) Sun 17th 6:30 - 9. 'A Wee Bit O' Wine is Fine'. Listen to Irish Jigs. St .Louis Catholic Church- St. Patrick's Day IRISH STEW TAKE OUT Dinner, Order in advance 902-532-0746 or 902-526-0688. Pick up is between

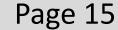
4:30 - 6:00 on 17th. Gluten Free options available \*\*Middleton Community Outreach- Opening Feb 20th 'Inn from the Cold'. The overnight shelter will accept guests from 9 - 10:30 pm 7 days a week at Middleton. 26 School Street.(back of the building entrance from the parking lot). Thanks to the group organizing this. For more information 902\*825\*8536. \*\*Milford Cafe- Wed's from 10 - 12 pm \$2 Tea n Coffee w/FREE refills! Home Baked Goodies & Friendly Conversation. 5439 Hwy #8South Milford. This is an effort to bring our community together to socialize and raise funds to build a

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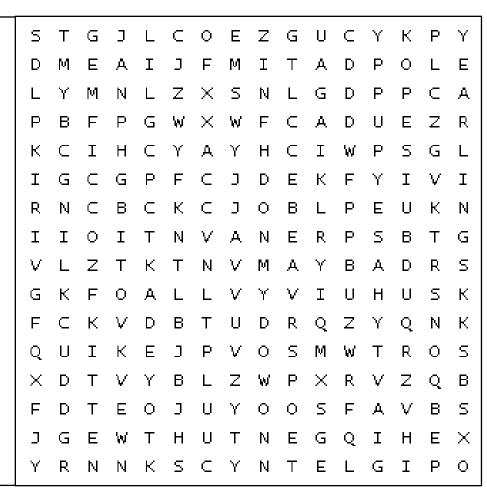




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Residential Average Price	\$347,610	
Year-Over-Year % Change	2.6%	

#### Nova Scotia, 2023

Residential Sales	10,333
Year-Over-Year % Change	-17.2%
Residential Average Price	\$423,804
Year-Over-Year % Change	2.9%

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**Sat. Mar. 2, 12-2pm - Opening Reception: Postcards of Paradise / Janice Leonard.** A series of 5x7 postcards of Paradise, Nova Scotia since 2016. Viewers are invited to handle the work, to read the back of each piece. | On exhibit March 1-23.

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Sat. Mar. 2, 12-2pm - Opening Reception: Digby Alternative High School / Art Entrepreneurship program. Selected student artworks. | On exhibit March 1-23.

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Thu. Mar. 21, 1-3pm - Creative Connections:
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"Growing Older" Cryptoquote: Each letter in the phrase has been replaced with a random letter. Answer next week.



