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Town of Middleton Receives Housing Funding

The Town of Middleton is pleased to announce that it has been awarded a grant of \$993,015.20 through the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC) Housing Accelerator fund (HAF). This funding will be distributed over 4 years and is designed to support initiatives that accelerate the development of new housing in the community.

The Housing Accelerator fund aims to remove barriers to housing supply and increase the availability of affordable housing.

"The Town of Middleton is committed to use the funds for an inclusive community that will bring more businesses to Town. This will add more revenue to our tax base which is good news for the community," said Gail Smith, Mayor of the Town of Middleton.

The Town will use this funding to implement Strategic Initiatives that encourage sustainable residential growth and enhance housing opportunities for current and future residents.

"The funding represents a significant step forward in our efforts to address housing needs in Middleton," said Ashley Crocker, CAO of the Town. The funding allows the Town to implement solutions that support residents, attract new families, and contributes to the long-term growth and sustainability of the community.

Details of specific projects and initiatives funded through the HAF grant will be shared as plans are finalized. The Town will work closely with CMHC to meet program requirements and maximize the impact of this investment.

Dear Reader,

It's not every day that your morning starts with a phone call from your neighbour that says: "Look out your window...the turkeys are back!" I did. And they were. Yes... back. They had stopped by the day before when a similar phone call came in. "Quick, look out your window...there's a group of turkeys on your deck!"

Yeah...right...I'll grant 80 points for originality. But I looked anyway ... and there they were... four gorgeous big turkeys...one fanning his tail and issuing forth his best guttural gobble. The girls, while dumping on my deck, barely bothered with him, but it was clear they were his harem. It might have ended there, yesterday, but with a reappearance the saga continued. They were indeed back for a second look around: first my neighbours' lawn and then mine, checking out the flower beds for whatever they might find, before crossing the highway at their leisure. Perhaps the grass is always greener... Neighbour and I, glued to our windows, watched for approaching traffic

(Highway 1 just outside Annapolis Royal can be busy with truck traffic) but drivers were careful - including the garbage pick up truck which came to a stop right in front of our houses, as it does every second Friday. Just when I thought it couldn't get any better than this, it did.... when the turkey wranglers showed up!

Hollywood could not have done it better! We had it all. Four birds, unconcerned that the world had come to a stop to allow them their rightful passage; the garbage truck (driver out of the cab and willing to help); the wranglers, four at my count, one for each turkey, doing a masterful job with three birds quickly in arms. But the fourth turkey...must have been himself, the tail fanner.... Gobbler the Great...wanting to have a little fun...



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resisted. The chase was on! He would not return to the fold before he was good and ready. Up the church steps he went, defiance obvious. But the wranglers were good. Gently Mr. G was persuaded to re-cross the highway under his own steam, headed for home. That's when I lost sight of this great vignette. But the experience taught me something. Gee it's great to live in the country! You don't see entertainment like that in downtown Halifax from your 26th floor balcony! (signed, A-Fowl in Granville)

"Safety First" Cryptoquote Answer: I have noticed that even those who assert that everything is predestined and that we can change nothing about it still look both ways before they cross the street. Stephen Hawking

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The Bridgetown Reader is published weekly on Friday by TAR Publishing. The deadline for submissions to our next issue is noon Monday April 14.

Community Calendar

Thurs. April 10, 2:00pm Card Party at Granville Centre Community Hall: Everyone welcome for an afternoon of Cribbage, Skip-Bo, 45's and/or Crokinole. Refreshments will be provided. A free will offering will be gratefully received - proceeds for Granville Centre Hall.

Fri. April 11, 9:30-11:30am Family Matters (the Annapolis County Resource Center) in conjunction with Dawn Scott is offering a free, confidential, adult **Mental Wellness Peer Support Group** each Friday morning at Family Matters (10 Middle Road, Lawrencetown). Childcare will be available. Please contact dawnscott61@gmail.com or jencfamilymatters@gmail.com for more information. Everyone is welcome.

Fri. April 11, 10:00am Weekly Tai Chi classes at the Centrelea Community Hall, 3495 Highway 201. Bring indoor slippers or shoes. Drop ins welcome. Good for balance, posture and relieving stress. Instructor Jamie Edwards of Empty Hand Martial Arts. \$75 for 10 week pass that does not expire. More info @ 902-448-2483 *

Fri. April 11, 11:30am-12:30pm St. James Anglican Church Lenten Chowder. Delivery and take out available. Pick up will be at 11:30-12:30 at the church hall. Cost will be \$12 and will include chowder, roll and dessert. Call Hilda Connell at 902-665-4627 to pre order or call Friday morning at the church hall at 902-664-4734

Fri. April 11, 6-7:00pm Yoga with Esme Endres every Friday night from 6-7 at Brickton Community Hall, 12062 Hwy 1. *

Fri. April 11, 7:00pm Jam Session every Friday Evening at the Youngs Cove Community Hall, 5407 Shore Rd. *

Fri. April 11, 7:30pm CONDUIT Chamber Choir Presents: Songs From Home, a Choral Concert Celebrating Canadian Composers and Arrangers at Wolfville Baptist Church, 487 Main Street, Wolfville. Tickets \$20 at the door. Youth 16 and under FREE. Featuring works by: Imant Raminsh, Stephen Smith, Kathleen Allan, Stephen Hatfield, Katharine Petkovski, and more. Please visit facebook.com/ConduitChoir or email info@conduitchoir.ca for more information.

Sat. April 12, 7-10:00am Fishers' Big Breakfast at the Milford & Area Community Hall, 5439 Hwy 8, South Milford. Lequille's bacon, 2 eggs any style, pancakes w/maple syrup, hashbrowns, homemade beans, coffee, tea, and juice. \$15. Take out available.

Sat. April 12, 9am-12pm Annapolis Royal Farmers and Traders Winter Market at the Annapolis Royal Legion, 66 Victoria Street. Indoors weekly until Spring.

Sat. April 12, 8-10:00am Community Breakfast at Holy Trinity Anglican Church in Middleton. Free will offering. We only serve local and serve fresh! Free Range Eggs from New Germany and pure Nova Scotian Maple syrup to go with your buttermilk pancakes. "Best Eggs east of TOFINO", anonymous. Hope to see you all on the 12th. 45 Main Street. Middleton.

Sat. April 12, 8:30am-2:00pm Spring Yard Sale at the Tupperville Community Hall, 2586 Highway 201. Multi-vendors with wide variety of items including vintage, old and new. Some space still available, call 902-452-3143

Sat. April 12, 10-11:30am Community Meeting- Your Voice Matters The volunteer board has been working with government, developers and other housing groups to explore how to increase affordable, accessible & sustainable housing in Annapolis County. We need your input to ensure that future housing developments meet the needs of people living & working in our communities. Wilmot Community Centre, 13972 Hwy 1.

Sat. April 12, 11am-1:00pm Family Day Activities at ARTSPLACE. Drop in for shared artmaking activities inspired by one of the current exhibitions. We provide materials and guidance. Stay for 10 minutes or as long as you feel creative. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Free to participate. No registration necessary. Everyone welcome. 396 St. George Street, Annapolis Royal.

Sat. April 12, 12-3:00pm Spring Plant (and Seed) Sale & Swap @ Lower Granville Hall (3551 Granville Rd., Port Royal). Featuring several vendors selling their own locally grown seeds and plants. So far, we have vendors selling Tree peonies ("Rock's Peony") and Fern-leaf peonies, Asparagus starts (2-yr), Feather reed grass, artichokes, Echinacea, Alpine strawberries, Chicago hardy fig trees, "Blue Bellow" hydrangeas, lavenders, house plants, and many other vegetables, flower transplants, and dahlia tubers

We will also feature a table for you to bring your seeds and plants to swap for new ones (one for one). Have you divided bulbs and want to give some away? Why not trade them and bring home something new to your garden? Please label your items, so people know what they are getting.

Sat. April 12, 12:30pm T & D Kitchen Jam Saturdays, 1407 Inglisville Road, Lawrencetown at the Community Hall. All are welcome! Doors open 12:30, music from 1:30-4:30. \$2 for entry. Snacks, tea /coffee are included in the price. *

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Sat. April 12, 1-3:00pm Easter Bonnet Tea at All Saints Church, 521 Pleasant Street, Kingston (turn west off Bridge Street). Free Will Offering. Prizes, refreshments and fun!

Sat. April 12, 2:00pm Farewell Concert at St. George & St. Andrew United Church, 393 St. George St., Annapolis Royal. Sabaro Murato on Flute and Saxophone, Phil Roberts on Piano and Organ. Admission \$10 at the door.

Sat. April 12, 2-3:30pm An Afternoon with Friends speaker Series presents **20th Century Icons**, with speaker Paul Kellogg. Paul will host a conversation about Canadian, American and British 20th Century Icons. Free, in the Dugua Room at the community Hub, 143 Ritchie Street. Sponsored by Friends of the Library.



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Sat. April 12, 5:00pm Monthly Potluck at the Round Hill Hall, second Saturday of the month. Everyone welcome to attend. *

Sat. April 12, 7-9:00pm Zakary

Miller Concert at the MacDonald Museum. Zakary Miller is from just up the road. He has searched all over Canada for the feeling of home and good music. Celebrating a century of serious artists who didn't take themselves too seriously, Zakary Miller digs through our musical history to find the funny and forgotten songs, giving them new life. Join us when we welcome Zakary to the Macdonald Museum for an evening of great music. Cash bar available. Tickets: \$20. Macdonald Museum, 21 School St, Middleton. 902-825-6116 Doors open at 6pm.

www.macdonaldmuseum.ca

Sun. April 13, 10:00am Palm Sunday

Hosanna, Sing Hosanna! We celebrate Jesus' triumphant entrance into Jerusalem where people laid palm branches and cloaks down for Jesus. Little did they know what was going to happen in the week to come. St. Luke's Anglican Church (340 St. George St, Annapolis Royal)

Sun. Apr. 13, 11am: Palm Sunday

Bridgetown Baptist will meet at the Royal Canadian Legion, 20 Jeffery St., for a joyful time of worship. Also, at 11am: Kids! come join our weekly Big Adventures (ages 4-11). 902-665-2506 bridgetownbaptist@gmail.com

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Sun. April 13, 11am-2:00pm

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Sun. April 13, 11:00 am

Worship Service. Celebrate God's presence with us at St. George & St. Andrew United Church, 393 St. George St. Annapolis Royal 902-532-7954. Open Doors, Open Hearts, Open Minds. *

Sun. April 13, 11am-2:00pm

Farmers and Crafters Market, every Sunday at the Lions Club at 948 Hwy 1, Deep Brook. Local vendors and farmers. New vendors always welcome.

Sun. April 13, 4:00pm

Classical Concerts at St.

Luke's: We welcome cellist Cindy Thong & pianist Paul Pulford for our April concert! They will be performing cello-sonata masterpieces by Beethoven & Brahms. Full concert with intermission. St. Luke's Anglican Church (340 St. George St, Annapolis Royal) Doors open at 3:30pm. Tickets are \$20, however youth are free and there is a pay-what-you-can option. Please go to our website www.stlukesconcerts.com if you wish to purchase in advance using debit/credit, otherwise cash is gratefully accepted at the door.

Sun. April 13, 5:30-6:30pm
Gallery Opening: Wayne Boucher, at King's Theatre, Annapolis Royal. All welcome! There will be light refreshments and a cash bar. The show will be up from April 8 - May 6, 2025. Works are for sale, with proceeds supporting both the artists and King's Theatre. Wayne was the recipient of the 2006 Nova Scotia Portia White Award for excellence, innovation, and expression in the arts. Key professional successes include winning the 2004 juried competition to execute the mural entitled Réveil for the new Interpretation Centre at Grand-Pré National Historic Site. Boucher became a member of the Royal Canadian Academy in 2002. Learn more at <https://www.wayneboucher.ca/>

Sun. April 13, 5:45pm Curious about faith? **Join us for Alpha**, hosted by the Bridgetown Baptist Church. Being held at the Salvation Army Community Church, Bridgetown, beginning 5:45 (for 6:00)pm. No Charge, All Welcome. For more information - bridgetownbaptist@gmail.com

Sun. April 13, 7:00pm Palm Sunday evening service at the West Paradise Evergreen Chapel. Rev. Dr. Darrell Peregryn officiating.

Sun. April 13, 7-9:00pm Fun Darts, every Sunday evening at the Bridgetown Legion, 20 Jeffery Street. \$3 entry returned in prizes.

Sun. April 13, 8:00pm Ventanas at Evergreen Theatre. Tamar Ilana & Ventanas is a Toronto-based band that performs original and traditional material in over 20 languages, weaving in and out of fiery Flamenco dance and music, Greek, Turkish and Sephardic love songs, upbeat Bulgarian dance tunes, and lyrical original melodies while leading captive audiences through windows into other lands, times and cultures. Lead singer Tamar Ilana's powerful vocals, honed through a lifetime of performing internationally, evoke deep emotions. Tickets: Adults \$40, Members \$30, Military \$35, Students \$20; available at www.evergreentheatre.ca or call 902-825-6834. 1941 Stronach Mountain Road, Margaretsville.

Mon. April 14, 1-4:00pm Life Drawing. Quiet, fun, non-teaching environment. Bring your own materials (no oils or solvents). Easels, tables, chairs, water available for use. \$20/session or \$90 for 5 (10% discount). Spring 2025 dates: Mar. 17-Apr. 14, contact: applecourt61@aim.com. Upstairs at ARTSPLACE, 396 St. George Street, Annapolis Royal / www.arcac.ca

Mon. April 14, 1:30pm Lawrencetown and Area Seniors Association (LASA) Annual General Meeting for Seniors 55+ at the Lawrencetown Legion, 490 Main St (parking lot entrance). It's that time of year for our board elections and planning for our upcoming events. You are welcome to come and join us and hear about our activities and bring your ideas. Meeting followed by light refreshments.

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Mon. April 14, 7:00pm All ages Punk Show in Bear River with Verify from Montreal and opening band TBA. At the root cellar, back of the Oakdene Centre.

Mon. April 14, 7-8:30pm Community Meeting- Your Voice Matters The Annapolis County Housing Association is a non-partisan, registered non-profit organization. The volunteer board has been working with government, developers and other housing groups to explore how to increase affordable, accessible & sustainable housing in Annapolis County. We need your input to ensure that future housing developments meet the needs of people living & working in our communities. Lions Club, 1482 Veterans Lane (Union St.) Kingston.

Tues. April 15, 9:00am Yoga for All Ages and Levels every Tuesday at Clarence Community Hall, 3337 Clarence Road. There will be a free will offering to cover heating costs for the hall. Bring your mat or if you are a chair yoga person they will be available. Also, if you are able a few items for the food pantry that Annapolis Valley Folk School runs in Lawrencetown would be greatly appreciated. Email avfolkschool@gmail.com or call Maureen at 902-825-3070. *

Tues. April 15, 9-10:15am Hatha Yoga at Hampton Community Hall every Tuesday. \$10 drop-in. Small donation to Hall appreciated. Please bring your own mat and block if you have. All levels. Instructor StephanieCastson.com

Tues. April 15, 12:30-1:30pm Senior Fitness Classes at Bridgetown Legion on Tuesdays 12:30-1:30. Certified instructor. Stretching, balance, strength, cardio, etc. Work to your own comfort and ability level. Please bring a band and hand weights if you have them. Come for fun

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Tues. April 15, 1:00pm Senior Card Games, every Tuesday at NSCC Middleton campus. *

Tues. April 15, 1:30-4pm Jam Session at Parker Hall, Victoria Vale, across from the church, every 2nd Tuesday. Doors open at 1:00. Come out for an afternoon of music, fun and refreshment and support the Hall. Next Jam April 29. *

Tues. April 15, 2:30-3:30pm Chair Yoga at the Bridgetown Legion, 20 Jeffery St. Gentle Yoga each Tuesday. All welcome. *

Tues. April 15, 7:15-10:15pm Middleton Legion Bingo Tuesdays at 205 Marshall Street, Middleton. *

Wed. April 16, 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. April 16, 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. April 16, 12-5:30pm National Canadian Film Day at ARTSPLACE. #CanFilmDay celebrates the brilliance of Canadian filmmakers, with free screenings by hundreds of partners across Canada and around the world.

Today's lineup:
12pm, Blood Quantum (2019, English, Mi'kmaq);
2pm, Vous n'êtes pas seuls/You Are Not Alone (2024, French w. subtitles);
4pm, Black Christmas (1974, starring Margot Kidder and Olivia Hussey). Free admission. 396 St. George Street, Annapolis Royal. Visit www.arcac.ca for trailers and descriptions.

Wed. April 16, 6:30pm The Riverside Cemetery Bridgetown will hold its AGM at the Britespan Building boardroom, 441 Granville Street, Bridgetown. Any plot owners or family members are encouraged to attend. Any new members are also welcome.

Wed. April 16, 7:00pm Brickton Community Hall Jam Sessions-Every Wednesday @ 7. Free will offering. All welcome.

Wed. April 16, 7-9:00pm Fun Cribbage every Wednesday evening at the Bridgetown Legion, 20 Jeffery Street. \$6 entry returned in prizes. All welcome. *

Wed. April 16, and Fri. April 18, 7:30pm Bridgetown Pickleball Wednesdays and Fridays at BRCS. Newcomers welcome; come when you can. Some equipment available if you want to give it a try. \$2 drop-in fee. Change of footwear required. North entrance to the gym. Questions? Phone 902-665-4308 or 902-665-4353. *

Wed. April 16, 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

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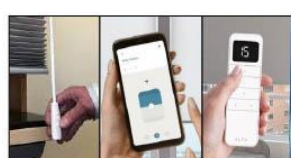
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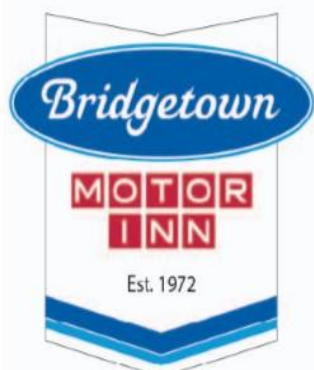
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Sat. April 19, 8:00pm Garrett Mason - Blues Show at the Bear River Legion. Garrett Mason is a true bluesman at heart. His original talent was recognized in 2005 when he received a Juno for Best Blues Album. Garrett Mason is poised to be one of the brightest stars to emerge from the East Coast Blues scene in years. You don't want to miss this incredible show!! 1877 Clementsvalle Road, Bear River. Tickets \$15.

Sun. April 20, 11:00am Bridgetown Baptist will celebrate the joy of the risen Christ. at the Royal Canadian Legion, 20 Jeffery St. 902-665-2506 Also at 11am: Kids! come join our weekly Big Adventures (ages 4-11). bridgetownbaptist@gmail.com.

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Thur. April 17, 7:30pm Moschelle Community Hall - **Weekly card night** Thursdays at 7pm. All proceeds will go to maintenance of the hall.

Sat. April 19, 9am-1:00pm Join us at the Annapolis Royal Legion for our **Easter Craft & Collectables Sale**. We will have all sorts of vendors, selling an assortment of art, crafts, jewelry, baked goods, chocolate, knitted items and lots of collectables, with so much more! Lunch will be available at the canteen. To reserve a table, please email annapolisroyallegion@hotmail.com or call the Legion bar at 902-532-5196. 66 Victoria Street.

Sat. April 19 Centrelea Community Hall and Save Our Old Forests Presents: **An Earth Day Celebration - Healthy Planet, Healthy Communities!** at Centrelea Hall (3495 Hwy 201). Schedule of Events:
9:30 - 11:30 Nature Hike at Corbett Lake with Donna Crossland (pre-register at: centreleacommunityhall@gmail.com)
12:00 - 1:30pm LUNCH! Free Delicious Save our Old Forests' Lunch
1:30 - 3:00 Explore and Discover with Citizen Science
1:30 - 4:00 Family/Kids Earth Day Crafts and Games, Tree Planting, Story time, Raffle, Refreshments and more!
For more information go to: the Centrelea Community Hall Facebook page or email: centreleacommunityhall@gmail.com

Sat. April. 19, 12:00pm Artist Talk: Life Through a Mask. The Nova Seven Arts Council (7Arts) invites you to a presentation highlighting the impact and future goals of the Life Through a Mask program for veterans and their families. Speakers include Amber Juby (7Arts), Jaime Lee Lightle (art therapist), and James C E Lightle (veteran, artist). Free admission (donations welcome). ARTSPPLACE, 396 St. George Street, Annapolis Royal.

Sat. April 19, 2:00pm There will be a **Celebration of Life for the late Ian Mailman** at Moschelle Community Hall.

Sun. April 20, 11:00am Please come and join us for a **Special Easter Morning Service** at St. George & St. Andrew United Church, 393 St. George Street, Annapolis Royal. Our Senior Choir will present, "HE COMES TO SET YOU FREE," an Easter Cantata, written and directed by David Holborn. This Cantata, complete with song and narration, follows Jesus's journey from the Announcement of John the Baptist, through to Christ's death and Resurrection.

Sun. April 20 Easter Crafting Event Hop Into Easter with Coastal Pigments at Lower Granville Community Centre. We have two creative sessions perfect for all ages, whether you're young or just young at heart.

Session One (11am-12:30pm): Transform three mini terracotta pots into the cutest little bunnies.

Session Two (1:30-3:00pm): Create an adorable bunny hiding in a flowerpot full of blooms.

Light refreshments and snacks will be provided to keep the creative energy flowing in this cozy, welcoming atmosphere. Grab your tickets on Eventbrite or email us at coastalpigments@gmail.com to receive a link to Eventbrite. Come craft, sip, and celebrate Easter with us. We can't wait to see you there!

Morning session - <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/hop-into-easter-diy-bunny-craft-morning-session-tickets-1308250064159?aff=oddtcreator>

Afternoon Session - <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/hop-into-easter-diy-bunny-craft-afternoon-session-tickets-1308301247249?aff=oddtcreator>

Mon. April 21, 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

Tues. April 22, 6:00pm AGM at Upper Clements Hall, 2951 Highway #1, Upper Clements. Everyone is welcome.

Tues. April 22, 6:30-8:30pm Tree Swallow Nesting Box Workshop with Larry Powell at the Centrelea Community Hall (3495 Hwy 201). Creating habitat or building nest boxes for Tree Swallows benefits all who want to experience these beautiful beings and naturally reduces the number of insect pests on their property. Larry will guide us through building our own tree swallow nest boxes and enlighten us with his knowledge and passion for these aerial acrobats. All materials supplied. \$35 per box/person to cover supplies. Limited Spaces. To register please contact Rhonda at: centreleacommunityhall@gmail.com or call 902-665-5113.

Tues. April 22, 6:30pm Homesteading 101: Go from a Hay field/Lawn to Veggies in one Season, an Annapolis Valley Folk School event at 1963 Clarence Road. Join us for a discussion on how to change your hay field/lawn into a productive kitchen garden! (I watched John's remarkable transformation last summer!) John will be on hand to take you through creating a productive, organic vegetable garden or to help you problem solve in your existing gardens. John has worked as a landscape architect, sculptor and master gardener and will be sharing his wisdom with us. Get your tickets here: <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/homesteading-101-go-from-a-hay-field-to-veggies-in-one-summer-tickets-1298667612789>

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. The facilitator requests that people bring items for the pantry ie. pasta, rice, canned veggies, meats, meals, soups, crackers, cereal, milk, eggs, bread, yogurt. Granola bars, snacks. Personal care items as well.

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. Looking forward to seeing you!



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Thur. April. 24, 6:00pm Panel Discussion: Estate Planning for Artists. Lawyer Paige McInnis and curator/writer Ray Cronin will discuss ways artists can deal with the lifetime of work in their studio. How to make decisions about what to keep, what to donate, what to gift, bequeath, or even toss! Free, in-person, upstairs at ARTSPLACE (396 St. George St., Annapolis Royal) or register online to participate via Zoom. Visit www.arcac.ca for more details or to register for a free Zoom link.

Thur. April 24, 7:00pm SOOF Annual General Meeting The Annual General Meeting for the Save Our Old Forests Association will be held in person at the Centrelea Community Hall and online using Microsoft Teams. Active Voting Members will receive an invitation in early April with more details about the AGM and a request to RSVP.

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Thur. April 24, 7:00pm Annual General Meeting of the Paradise Cemetery Company

will be held at the Paradise Heritage Centre, formerly Paradise School, at 10307 Highway 1, All lot owners are members of the company and if able encouraged to attend. Contact Robert Bishop at 902-825-8046 for more information.

Fri. April 25, 7:30pm Sacred, Secular and Silly XVII

is a concert sponsored by the Annapolis Valley Centre Royal Canadian College of Organists (RCCO) featuring local instrumentalists and vocalists in support of the Centre's Organ Scholarship Program at the Dawn Oman Art Gallery, 298 Granville Street, Bridgetown. The scholarship program is offered to talented pianists who wish to acquire pipe organ skills. Each scholarship provides a set of organ lessons in June and July from a qualified organist. To apply, contact Maureen MacLean by

May 15 at 902-825-3387 or owleye2@bellaliant.net. Admission to the concert is by a free-will offering: come to hear the refurbished 1902 Casavant Freres pipe organ in all its glory!

Sat. April. 26, 10am-2:00pm Workshop: Exploring the Mask I Wear

with James & Jamie Lee Lightle. Guided by an art therapist and sculptor, delve into your identity to design and craft a plaster mask, custom fit to your face. A supportive environment where you can externalize your persona through self-expression. Registration required. Visit www.arcac.ca/maskworkshop for full details. Upstairs at ARTSPPLACE, 396 St. George St., Annapolis Royal.

Sat. April 26, 10am-2:00pm Community Clothing Exchange

@ Lower Granville Hall (3551 Granville Rd., Port Royal). Clean out your closet, donate your gently used clothing, and take home as many items as you like. Women's Wear, Men's Wear, Children's Clothes, and Accessories - all organized by category. Entry is \$5/person (children under 15 are free!). Bistro Area with coffee, tea, and snacks for purchase to fuel your shopping. Proceeds will benefit the Hall, and any leftover items will be donated to those in need. Questions? Write to LowerGranvilleHall@gmail.com. If you want to drop off some clothing in advance, email us and we will set up a time.

Sat. April 26, 10:00am-3:30pm iNaturalist Workshop

Citizen Scientists Lisa Proulx and Karen Achenbach will be hosting a fun day of learning how to use the iNaturalist app. We'll be starting off at the West Dalhousie Community Hall to learn the basics... and then we'll head over to the Goldsmith Lake Wilderness Area to practice. Registration Required: saveouroldforests.ca/event/2025inaturalist/

Sat. April 26, 1:30pm There will be a presentation by Sharon Elliot, (Seniors' Safety Director, Annapolis County Seniors' Safety Society) on **how to recognize scams & how to avoid them.** at the Christian Fellowship Centre in Wilmot, Refreshments will follow. Call 902-698-9467 for more information.

Sat April 26, 2-5:00pm Traditional Scottish and Maritime Music Jam at Granville Ferry Community Hall. Fiddles, Guitars, Pipes and Banjos. All Ages. Players and Listeners Welcome!

Sat. April 26, 4-6:00pm Milford Maplefest at the Milford & Area Community Hall, 5439 Hwy 8, Pancakes with Robyn Warren's local pure maple syrup, roasted old-fashioned Armstrong ham, baked beans, potato salad, rolls, pickles and assorted pies, with tea and coffee. Take-out orders on request. No reservations. Adults \$18, children under 12 \$9.00. Info call 902-532-5606. Proceeds for the Hall.

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Sat. April 26, 4-7:00pm The Clarence Community Club will be hosting this year's first **Pork Supper** at The Clarence Church 2659 Clarence Road. Roasted Pork, Colcannon, Carrots, Apple Sauce, Coleslaw, Buns and Variety of Desserts. Free Will offering with all proceeds going toward upkeep of Church and School on Clarence. Take out is available and bring your own container. If you are a part of the Clarence Community and you would like to donate a dessert, please call Nicole at 902 996 0006 or Maureen at 902 309 0224

Sun. April 27, 9am-3:00pm Yard Sale to Benefit the Port Lorne Hall. Canteen 11:30am-2:00pm. Spring cleaning? If you have anything you no longer need, but is too good to throw out, bring it to us. Deliver to the Port Lorne Hall 557 Port Lorne Rd on Thur. April 24 1-3, or Fri. April 26 7-9pm or Sat. 12 noon-4pm. Or call Brenda Sabean 902-584-3182. Then come buy someone else's treasures on Sunday

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Sun. April 27, 3:00pm Old Time Gospel Sing-along at Aylesford United Church, 2414 Highway 1, Aylesford. Wheelchair accessible. Free will offering.

Sun. April 27, 8:00pm The Ennis Sisters at Evergreen Theatre. This year marks 25 years since The Ennis Sisters launched their professional career. As a folk-country trio, the Newfoundland siblings have earned dozens of awards and nominations. The seasoned road warriors have crisscrossed Canada on multiple tours and sung at high-profile international events such as the 75th anniversary of D-Day on Juno Beach. Tickets: Adults \$40, Members \$30, Military \$35, Students \$20; available at www.evergreentheatre.ca or call 902-825-6834. 1941 Stronach Mountain Road, Margaretsville.

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Tues. April 29, 12noon Lunch and Fun at the Annapolis Royal Baptist Church, 762 St. George Street. Come and join us. Free to all.

Tues. April 29, 6:30-8:30pm April's Makers Swap, an Annapolis folk School event at 1963 Clarence Road, Clarence. Tickets at <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/aprils-makers-swap-tickets-1298706890269>

For those who are new to the Makers Swaps, this is a simple community gathering where all ages and abilities are welcome and the concept is simple: bring anything you have made with your hands, grown or a service you have to offer and trade for treasures from others. There is no money exchanged and PERFECTION IS NOT REQUIRED! Just a willingness to share your talents and passion projects with others in the community. Here are a few insights for those new to the Makers Swaps: a) All are welcome, bring a friend, and get your tickets on Eventbrite.

b) Everyone brings what they feel comfortable with giving to the community - there are no limitations or expectations - our definition of fairness is that each person will share within their means and that always results in amazing generosity and abundance.

c) All items brought to be shared will go on to a common table to get blended in with everything else others are sharing. After spending time getting to know each other, we will go up to take items from the table, one item at a time, until each person decides they have taken enough to be "fair" to the community.

Some popular trade able items (to get your creative juices flowing): preserves, pickles and jam, kombucha and shrubs, soaps and beauty care items, plants, baked goods, jewellery, leather crafts, wooden carvings, dog toys and treats, paintings and drawings, vouchers for service trades like haircuts, massages, and prepared meals... Everything under the sun! If you have any questions at all feel free to post in this event on Facebook or email to avfolkschool@gmail.com

It is also greatly appreciated if you can bring a few pantry items to the swap. Our pantry is increasingly active with many people using it. Located at 51 Lawrencetown Lane. 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.

If you have any questions reach out to us on facebook [@annapolisvalleyfolkschool](https://www.facebook.com/annapolisvalleyfolkschool) or at avfolkschool@gmail.com or call Maureen at 902 309 0224

Thur. May 1, 2:15-4:15pm Caregiver Support Group meets at the Kingston Library, 671 Main St. Do you give unpaid care to a parent, spouse, child, friend, or relative due to frailty, advanced age, chronic illness, mental illness, or disability? You are not alone! The NS Caregivers Support Group meets on the first Thursday of each month. It is facilitated by trained staff members who offer a confidential, friendly atmosphere for you to discuss your experiences and receive helpful information in a supportive environment. For more information and to register, call Jennine Wilson, 1-877-488-7390 (toll-free).

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Thur, May 1, 7-9:00pm "Abandoned Roads of Nova Scotia" w/ Steve Skafte @ Lower Granville Hall (3551 Granville Rd., Port Royal). Come and hear Steve Skafte talk about his latest book where he adventures along abandoned roads, hiking forgotten highways, and exploring the crumbling history that our ancestors left behind. Since 2007, he's shared an uninterrupted daily journal on social media of his discoveries all over the province. He's also been widely featured in national print media, and on TV and radio. He'll be signing copies of all his currently available books after the talk. Donations welcome. Coffee, tea, and light snacks will be provided.

Sat, May 3, 8am-12:00pm Treasure Sale at the Granville Ferry Hall: Find yourself a gently used treasure; we will be selling small furniture including a wicker desk, a baker's rack and a pair of Lane Acclaim two-tiered end tables, railway lanterns, antique phones, linens, kitchen utensils and dishware, a selection of earrings, tools, yard and garden items including Solomon Seal, Lily of the Valley, Siberian Iris, hostas & lilies, plus whatever else may be donated. Donations welcome (but no used clothing or books, please!). Drop off donations Friday afternoon, May 2, 2-4 pm at the Granville Ferry Hall in Granville Ferry. Contact Kathy for more info or item pick-up: 902-532-0604. Sponsored by Annapolis Shambhala Meditation Group.

Sat. May 3, 8-10:00am Margaretsville Fireman's Breakfast, first Saturday of the month to October. Full breakfast including eggs, homemade baked beans, fresh potato hash, bacon, sausages, homemade pancakes, toast, fruit, juice, tea and coffee. Adults \$15, Youths \$7.50, Under 5 free.

Sat. May 3, 1-2:00pm Seed Saving Talk w/ Dr. Niki Clark@ Lower Granville Hall (3551 Granville Rd., Port Royal). Dr. Niki Clark from NIKIAN Farm will teach you the basics of how to harvest, clean, and store seed from your favourite plants to sow the next year, as well as how to plan your garden to ensure proper pollination and seed production. Niki also has a ton of Delicata Squash seeds saved from her own garden that she is will be giving away. This is a fascinating topic you aren't going to want to miss! Donations welcome.

Sun. May 4, 8-10:00am Port George Monthly Breakfast, first Sunday of the month, April to December, Port George Recreation Centre. Bacon, sausage, scrambled eggs, pancakes, homemade baked beans, homemade hashbrowns, toast, tea, coffee and OJ. Adult \$ 13, Children 12-5 \$6.



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Thur. May 8, 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

Fri. May 9, 7:30-9:30pm Owl Prowl Adventure Save Our Old Forests is going on nighttime Owl Prowl adventure at the Goldsmith Lake Wilderness Area with Donna Crossland! Hear owl stories, learn their calls, consider a nest box owl home. Possibly see barred owls up close from the old forest habitat that surrounds us. Registration Required: saveourolforests.ca/event/owlprowl2025/

The Middleton Sports Heritage Wall of Fame is asking for nominations for this year's 2025 Inductions, to take place this September, If you know a deserving individual or team that you want to nominate, please go to our website and download the nomination form. If this isn't possible, call Jan Davis at 902-825-4949. Deadline for nominations is April 30/25.

Belle's Blessing Community Pantry is looking for items for their upcoming fundraiser. We would like to continue stocking our pantry. Gently used household items, toys, pet items, books, etc. Also, some new items or gift certificates for our raffle. We can arrange to pick up or drop off at 4841 Shore Road West. Call Deborah 902-532-0123. No clothes please. "Kind hearts fight hunger"

Calling all Former Members and Families of the Clarence 4-H Club! This year marks 100 years of 4-H in Clarence! Our club is the largest in Annapolis County, with a growing group of enthusiastic young members.

To honour this special anniversary, our 100-year committee is looking for copies of any old photos, memorabilia, or stories that you would like to share. Some possible topics for anecdotes might be:

- What 4-H meant to me
- A special 4-H memory
- Copies of old speech/demonstration notes
- Any exchange, trip, or scholarship opportunities you received

Our Achievement Day and Open House will be July 10th at the Exhibition Grounds, and we want to have a special display ready by then. We'd like to have any submissions by the end of June.

Please share this with any former Clarence 4-Hers and help us celebrate a very special milestone for our club and our community (and our country ... couldn't resist ☺). All stories or pictures can be shared to ashleyrcharlton@gmail.com. Please include "Clarence 4-H" in the subject line.

Good evening folks!

It's that time of year again when the BACCS hosts their AGM.

Please consider coming and learning what the Chamber of Commerce has to offer, and/or throwing your name in the ring for a executive or director position!

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Monday, April 14 - STATIONS OF THE CROSS at 7pm. A service of contemplation on beauty and suffering through scripture, poetry, art and music. We will spiritually move from station to station in prayer and meditation. St. Luke's Anglican Church (340 St. George St, Annapolis Royal)

Tuesday, April 14 - BCP EVENSONG at 7pm. An evening service from the Book of Common Prayer featuring the St. Luke's Evensong Choir. St. Luke's Anglican Church (340 St. George St, Annapolis Royal)

Wednesday, April 16 - TENEBRAE at 7pm. A meditative service of "shadows" which will feature readings, music and candles which are gradually extinguished symbolizing victory of evil over good. Yet, one candle is not permanently extinguished. St. Luke's Anglican Church (340 St. George St, Annapolis Royal)

Thursday, April 17 - MAUNDY THURSDAY at 7pm On this night Jesus gathered his followers at a last supper where he set the model for being a servant with foot washing and established the Eucharist. Later that night, Jesus is betrayed. The altar is stripped and the organ turned off. We leave in silence. St. Luke's Anglican Church (340 St. George St, Annapolis Royal)

April 18 - Good Friday at 10 am - We will start at the Baptist Church on St. George Street. All Welcomed! In procession with a cross with stops at each of the Roman Catholic and United Churches, we will walk to remember that Jesus has been condemned, compelled to carry his cross and then crucified. At approximately 11am we will start the Good Friday service in St. Luke's. Darkness descends; the temple curtain is ripped. Jesus is dead. St. Luke's Anglican Church (340 St. George St, Annapolis Royal)

April 19 - Easter Vigil 7:30 pm - A beautiful candlelit service that starts with lighting a fire from which the Christ (Paschal) Candle is lit. We then hear readings about God's saving powers. We renew our baptismal vows. And, then, we move on to proclaim the resurrection through the first Eucharist of Easter. Please join us for this lovely service full of symbolism and meaning. St. Luke's Anglican Church (340 St. George St, Annapolis Royal)

April 20 - Easter Sunday 10am - Alleluia! Christ is Risen! From the singing of the Halleluiah Chorus through to the Eucharist and final hymn we shout out in thanksgiving and praise for the Resurrection of Christ. Fr. John Saynor preaching and celebrating. St. Luke's Anglican Church (340 St. George St, Annapolis Royal)

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'The Big Hunt' is at 2:00 pm at the Fort Anne grounds.

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They still need plastic EGGS! Buckets located at Wendy's Daycare, and at Weasy's to collect any new or used plastic eggs. Monetary donations are greatly appreciated to help keep this event going.

Annapolis Royal- Farewell Concert! Come say "Sayonara" on Sat April 12 at 2, \$10, featuring Saburo on flute & sax and Phil Roberts on piano & pipe organ in a mix of classical, folk, and jazz standards. Anna/Royal United Church (brick church at the lights)

Annapolis Royal- The ARV Fire Dept and Natal Days have joined forces to hold a fundraiser! SAVE THE DATE of Sat May 17th. HUGE DAY, rain or shine!

1 small request: We are asking if you'd save your yard sale items for us (not old washers). Many more details are being finalized, stay tuned!!

Annapolis Natal Days Meeting- Monday April 14th @ 6:30 in the Dugua Room in the Annapolis Library, located on Ritchie street. Everyone is Welcome.

Benefit Fundraiser for Mary Morrison- Anna/Royal Legion Lounge, Sat April 26th from 1-3 pm. A Ticket Auction, Silent Auction, 50/50 Draw, Bake Table and more.

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Lawrencetown & District Lions Club- Easter Egg Hunt Sat., April 12 @ 10 middle rd. Rain location L'town Firehall. Ages 0-4 at 9:10, 5-8 at 9:30, 9-12 at 9:50 and 13+ at 10:10.

Middleton- Deadline is getting close for the Macdonald Museum Artist & Artisan Show and Sale it Runs from May 8th - July 19. Application deadline is Fri, April 25

West Dalhousie Com. Hall- Turkey Supper Sat May 3rd at 4:30 & 5:30. They are taking reservations Debbie 665-2355 or Melissa 665-2838 or email westdalhall@gmail.com.

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Sara Weinshenk is an LA-based comedian, writer & podcaster. Since starting stand up in 2010, she has made many loyal fans from her stand up, as well as her podcast, SHENK. Sara can be seen on her digital series on Comedy Central, "Shenks For Smoking" and has appeared on Kill Tony, The Joe Rogan Experience, GAS DIGITAL, and Lights Out with David Spade on Comedy Central.

Kim Congdon is a Los Angeles based Comedian and writer. She started her career in LA on the "Kill Tony" show and began opening on tour for big names like Joe Rogan, Ralphie May, Joey Diaz, and many more. Kim was recently passed as a Paid Regular at The Comedy Store. She has been seen on Comedy Central's "Road to Roast Battle", MTV, and TruTV. She was previously a writer for TruTV's Impractical Jokers. Kim also did the HBO Latino comedy special "Entre Nos". When she's not writing brutal roast jokes or telling jokes on stage, you can find her recording an episode of "This Bitch" podcast with co-host Sara Weinshenk. Tickets \$55 adults.

Sun. April 13, 3:00pm Beethoven's Fidelio, a Met Opera Stage to screen presentation. Beethoven's sole opera, Fidelio, is a story of unwavering love and daring rescue. Disguised as a young man named Fidelio, Leonore infiltrates a prison to save her unjustly imprisoned husband, Florestan. The opera, filled with thrilling moments and soaring melodies, celebrates courage, marital devotion, and the ultimate triumph of justice over tyranny.

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Wed. April 16 National Canadian Film Day, free screenings all day at King's Theatre

10:30am Singing Back the Buffalo (documentary, NA) Decades after they were driven almost to extinction, the fight to restore North America's buffalo population continues to rage on. Activists in Indigenous communities across the continent are determined to restore the buffalo's place on the Great Plains, knowing that they are essential to the survival of our ecosystem. This epic and inspiring documentary not only offers a new perspective on our connection to the land, it shows us what's possible when we come together. Singing Back the Buffalo is an essential call to take notice - and take action. (1hr, 39m)

12:30pm Ballerina (animation, Family) Eleven-year-old orphan Félicie (Elle Fanning) has one dream: to go to Paris and become a dancer. Her best friend Victor (Dane DeHaan), a highly imaginative boy, has a dream of his own: to become a famous inventor. In a leap of faith, Victor and Félicie leave their orphanage in pursuit of their passions. But there's a catch - Félicie must pretend to be the child of a wealthy family in order to get into a prestigious ballet school, where she quickly learns that talent alone is not enough to overcome the ruthless attitudes of her fellow classmates, led by Camille le Haut (Maddie Ziegler) and her wicked mother, Régine (Julie Khaner).

Determined to succeed, Félicie finds her mentor in the tough and mysterious school custodian, Odette (Carly Rae Jepsen), who, along with Victor's encouraging friendship, helps her reach for the stars. (1h 39min)

2:45pm Bergers (Shepherds) Tired of city life, a Québécois man leaves everything behind to pursue his dream of becoming a shepherd in rural France, where he must work illegally at a craft he knows almost nothing about. While the work proves more difficult than he'd imagined, everything changes when he wins over the like-minded Élise with his dreams of a pastoral life together. The two commit to a summer-long journey together in the mountains - with 800 sheep, and all the challenges that come with them.

Featuring breathtaking cinematography and a deeply human story, this beautiful romantic drama won the award for Best Canadian Feature at TIFF 2024. In French, NA.

5:00pm Margaret Atwood: A Word After A Word After a Word Is Power (Documentary, NA) As one of the nation's most beloved writers, Margaret Atwood has been a literary force for decades, both in Canada and around the world. While we all know her as one who speaks truth to power, this documentary shows a more personal side to the acclaimed novelist and brings a new perspective to her most celebrated works.

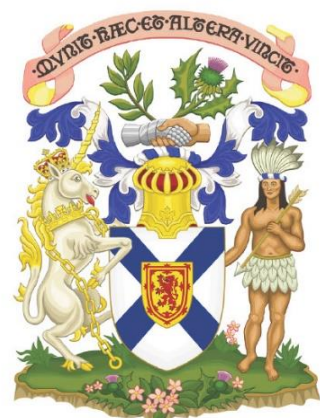
Featuring interviews from other literary greats, her longtime friends, and Atwood herself, this career-spanning documentary perfectly captures the spirit of a Canadian icon.

7:00pm Long Time Running (documentary) Long Time Running chronicles the emotional and epic 2016 tour that The Tragically Hip embarked on after iconic frontman Gord Downie announced that he had been diagnosed with terminal brain cancer. Intimate moments, behind-the-scenes and on-stage footage, personal interviews with the band and close friends reveal the heart-breaking final performances of that now-legendary final tour.

No other band encapsulated the rugged soul of Canada quite like the Hip, and it was completely in character for Downie - the everyman poet laureate of Canada - to go out on his own terms, with a powerfully galvanizing tour that delivered some of the most exhilarating performances of band's history.

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**Fictional Elephants
Word Search Puzzle**

- Alexander Babar
- Berilia Celeste
- Chota Eddie
- Ella Elmer
- Horton Kala Nag
- Kiouni Lumpy
- Mr Jumbo Solomon
- Tantor Thunder
- Uncle Zenobia

Find the word or phrase in the puzzle. Words can share letters as they cross over each other. Answer next week.

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King's Theatre Events continued

Thur. April 17, 7:30pm Zed: Led Zeppelin Tribute

(Live performance) Led Zeppelin redefined rock in the Seventies and for all time. Then and now, Led Zeppelin looms larger than life on the rock landscape as a band for the ages with an almost mystical power to evoke primal passions. Now, imagine being transported back forty years to that golden age. For ZED, it's much more than simply being a tribute. It's faithfully recreating the sound of Led Zeppelin's studio albums to an astonishing level of accuracy while also capturing the magical aura of the Led Zeppelin live experience. Tickets: Adult \$40, Youth \$15.

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**Felker Hall Community Center
Regular Weekly Activities**

734 Broadway Ave, Cornwallis Park

Sunday - Darts 2:00-4:00 pm. Jim 902.638.3175
Marty 902.638.3164

Monday - Keep Fit and Healthy Classes 8:45 - 9:45am Carole 902-638-3373
Line Dancing 10:00 - 11:00am
Carol 902-249-0609
Hatha Yoga 11:30am - 12:45pm
Sridhara 250-228-3848

Tuesday - Library open 1-3pm. Jackie 902-340-0007.
Zumba 6:30 - 7:30pm \$5 per session
Wendy 902-532-7736

Wednesday - Keep Fit and Healthy Classes 8:45-9:45am Carole 902-638-3373

Thursday - TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) 8am weigh in and 8:30 meeting.
Contact Maritza 902-247-1473
Cribbage at 1pm Pete 902-376-2007

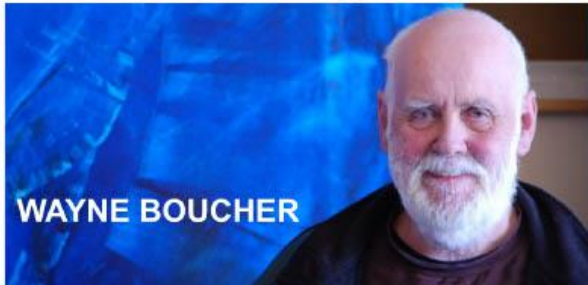
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Line Dancing 10:00-11:00am Carol 902-249-0609
Chair Yoga 11:30am - 12:45pm
Sridhara 250-228-3848
Meat Bingo, 7pm - doors open at 6pm
Gina 902-526-2694

Second Saturday of the Month - April 12, May 10: Breakfast 8-10am, \$15 for adults
For events and updates in Cornwallis Park and surrounding area please have your name and email address added to Pam Law's email distribution list- pamlaw9527@gmail.com For Hall Rental please contact Marty @ 902-638-3164

KING'S THEATRE



SPEECH FOR THE STAGE WORKSHOP
Jamie Keithline of Crabgrass Puppets teaches strong, confident public speaking. Ages 12-Adult
SUNDAY APRIL 13th @ 10:30 - 1:30



GALLERY OPENING
Wayne Boucher's THE RED PONY & FRIENDS
Light refreshments & cash bar. Exhibit Apr 8th - May 6th
SUNDAY APRIL 13th @ 6:00 PM



PETER RABBIT 2: FREE EASTER FILM!
It's Easter EGGStravaganza!
Free admission, general seating
SATURDAY APRIL 19th @ 10:00 AM



THE PENGUIN LESSONS
An Englishman's personal & political awakening after he adopts a penguin during a cataclysmic period in Argentine history.
WEDNESDAY APRIL 23rd @ 7:00 PM



THE KING OF KINGS
The story of Jesus Christ as told by Charles Dickens and seen through the eyes of a child.
SUNDAY APRIL 27th @ 3:00 PM



SHANIA TWAIN
Donna Huber with the world's #1 tribute act!
SATURDAY MAY 10th @ 7:30 PM

COMING EVENTS



BEETHOVEN'S FIDELIO
Stage to Screen -- Brand new opera from The Met, with Lise Davidsen in the title role.
SUNDAY APRIL 13th @ 3:00 PM



NATIONAL CANADIAN FILM DAY
ALL FREE, ALL DAY, ALL CANADIAN!
Films to give us strength, inspiration and hope!
WEDNESDAY APRIL 16th

- SINGING BACK THE BUFFALO - 10:30 AM**
Activists in Indigenous communities are determined to restore the buffalo's place on the Great Plains
- BALLERINA - 12:30 PM**
Life's greatest adventures begin with a single leap!
- BERGERS (SHEPHERD) - 2:45 PM**
A Québécois man leaves city life behind to pursue his dream of becoming a shepherd in rural France.
- MARGARET ATWOOD: A WORD AFTER A WORD IS POWER - 5:00 PM**
The Author and Poet discusses her life and work.
- LONG TIME RUNNING - 7:00 PM**
The emotional and epic tour that *The Tragically Hip* embarked on after Downie's terminal cancer diagnosis.



BLACK BAG
Gripping Spy Thriller from Steven Soderbergh.
Cate Blanchett and Michael Fassbender
FRIDAY APRIL 25th @ 7:00 PM



FRUIT MACHINE
New stage play from New Brunswick exploring a dark chapter in Canadian Queer History.
SATURDAY MAY 3rd @ 7:30 PM



SOMETHING MISSING: A PLAY
The Unnatural Disaster Theatre Co. presents a new play that is boldly creative, and a whole lot of fun.
SATURDAY MAY 17th @ 7:30 PM

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Hard Work. Proven Leadership. For a Stronger Acadie-Annapolis.

Ronnie LeBlanc stands up for the people who make our rural communities strong: families, farmers, food producers and processors. He understands the challenges rural Nova Scotians face and has fought for policies that protect livelihoods and create opportunity. Ronnie is committed to building a future where families in Acadie-Annapolis can thrive, right here at home.

Mark Carney and the Liberal Party are building up rural communities by:

- boosting affordable loans & clean tech access;
- defending farmers from the impacts of tariffs;
- helping producers reach new markets.



LET'S GET TOGETHER!

**Friday, April 11, from 3 to 5 p.m.
Lawrencetown Legion**

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