



COUNCILLOR LISA BLACKBURN
DISTRICT 14 ONLINE NEWS
 MIDDLE/UPPER SACKVILLE - BEAVER BANK - LUCASVILLE

WELCOME DECEMBER!



Ho! Ho! Ho-ly cow December is going to be a busy month! So many fun family events to attend as the excitement keeps building for the two big events on December 25th and 31st!

Beaver Bank Kinsac breakfast with Santa on December 1st starts the festive celebrations in our district then, on December 9th, we look forward to the Breakfast with Santa at the Springfield Lake Recreation Centre! Tinsel the talking Christmas tree will be roving about the district as well – check out his schedule of dates further in this E-newsletter. Lighting of the Menorah will take place on December 3rd at the Grand Parade – everyone is welcome!

The 1st Friday of each month I will be at the Beaver Bank Kinsac Community Centre, 1583 Beaver Bank Road (my Beaver Bank Hub office) **from 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm.** Come on in for a chat!

BEAVER BANK KINSAC BREAKFAST WITH SANTA - DECEMBER 1ST

Beaver Bank Kinsac Community Centre

Presents

Breakfast with Santa




Saturday
December 1, 2018
8:30 am – 10:30 am

Santa & Mrs. Claus will be there!!

Breakfast \$5.00
Includes pancakes, sausages, juice and tea or coffee

This is your chance to tell Santa what you would like for Christmas!

Don't forget to include your full name & address if leaving a letter for Santa.





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SPRINGFIELD LAKE RECREATION CENTRE - BREAKFAST WITH SANTA





Join
Santa ,Tinsel
And their many
Helpers
For a
Pancake Breakfast

@
SPRINGFIELD LAKE RECREATION CENTRE
Sunday Dec 9th 2018
TIME : 8:30AM – 10:00 AM
MEMBERS AGE 10 AND UNDER ARE FREE
MEMBERS children 11 and over \$3.00 ADULTS \$5.00
NON – MEMBERS children \$3.00/ Adults \$5.00

Donation of non -perishable food for Beacon house
Or a toy for the toy drive in support of " Shelby Shine On "

SACKVILLE'S TALKING CHRISTMAS TREE (TINSEL) SHOW DATES 2018



*Tinsel the Talking
Christmas Tree*

at the Beaver Bank Kinsac
Community Centre

Monday Dec 3rd
Tuesday Dec 4th
6-8PM!

Admission: Monetary or
food donation in support of
the Beacon House!

For more info call: 902-865-5114
www.talkingchristmastree.ca




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Sunday, December 9th
Springfield Lake Recreation Centre
266 Lakeview Avenue, Middle Sackville

Beaver Bank Kinsac Community Centre
1583 Beaver Bank Road





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MENORAH LIGHTING – DECEMBER 3rd



Join Mayor Mike Savage and members of the Halifax Jewish Community as we light the Menorah and celebrate Hanukkah in Grand Parade in front of City Hall.

Everyone is welcome to attend the event which has a reception inside City Hall following the lighting of the Menorah.

DATE: Monday, December 3, 2018
TIME: 6:00 pm
LOCATION: Grand Parade, 1841 Argyle Street

Monitor the website and social media for updates in case of inclement weather. For more information, call 902-422-4222 or email info@chabadmaritimes.com.



REGISTER FOR HRM WINTER 2019 RECREATION PROGRAMS

Register for winter 2019 recreation programs

Nov. 28: Preschool, Child, Youth and Adult programs

Dec. 11: Skating

Dec. 12: Aquatics

Registration opens at 10 a.m. each day.

Register online at Halifax.ca/myREC, by phone or in person at your local recreation centre.



SUPPORT 2nd BEAVER BANK SCOUTING



U-cut Tree Farm



It starts with Scouts.

In support of 2nd Beaver Bank Scouting

A classic, holiday family adventure.

Experience picking the perfect, old fashioned untrimmed, natural tree, while enjoying some hot chocolate.

\$25 per tree or \$23 with a food bank donation

Hours for Christmas 2018:

Open Saturday (9-4) & Sundays (11-4) until December 16.
Location: 454 Beaver Bank Rd (across from Majestic Ave)



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STATE OF THE MUNICIPALITY ADDRESS



Councillors Steve Craig, Lindell Smith and I with Mayor Mike Savage at November's State of the Municipality Address at the Halifax Chamber of Commerce.

Highlights from the Mayor's State of the Municipality Address include the following comment about our economy:

"Cities intent upon growing and flourishing need to act much more like the businesses, innovators and creators they seek to attract.

In the start-up world, failure is accepted; timidity is not.

Governments, including City Hall, need to understand that the biggest cause of failure is often risk aversion. More is lost by avoiding opportunity, than by falling short of ambitious goals.

This leads not simply to stronger economic development, but to stronger social development."

BEAVER BANK KINSAC VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT – HELP SUPPORT BEACON HOUSE



This Holiday Season, help Station 48 fill a Port-a-Tank for the Beacon House

Beaver Bank Fire Hall, 1581 Beaver Bank Rd.

**Nov 25th - 1830-2000
Dec 1st - 0800-1100
Dec 3rd - 1800-2000
Dec 4th - 1800-2000**

HOME HEATING ASSISTANCE REBATE PROGRAM



Apply to the [Heating Assistance Rebate Program](#)

for help with the cost of home heating. You can receive up to \$200 if you qualify for the program. The

rebate amount is based on your income, as reported to Canada Revenue Agency. The **application deadline is March 31, 2019.**

Contact: 902-424-5200; Toll-free: 1-800-670-4357, Fax: 902-428-2164 Mailing address: PO Box 641, CRO, Halifax NS B3J 2T3.



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ELDON'S NO ONE DINES ALONE EVENT – DECEMBER 25th



Regional Council should return to City Hall for the December 11th regularly scheduled meeting. However, if unexpected delays occur, that meeting will also take place at the Halifax Marriott Harbourfront Hotel. The four off-site meetings will be open to the public and will be broadcast via [webcast](#) and Eastlink.

Halifax and West Community Council and regularly scheduled standing committees that would normally meet in the Council Chamber will now meet either in Halifax Hall (at City Hall), or at the Harbour East Marine Drive Community Council Chamber in Dartmouth. Check the [municipal calendar](#) for specific locations and times.

The technology enhancements include HD cameras, new displays for the public gallery, and a new graphics package that will display names of speakers, motions, and vote results. Accessibility will also be improved through the installation of technology that will enhance the ability to hear what's being said in the Council Chamber.

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TEMPORARY RELOCATION OF REGIONAL COUNCIL MEETINGS

Enhancements to the technology system in the Council chamber has necessitated the move of Regional Council meetings to the Acadia Ballroom located in the Halifax Marriott Harbourfront Hotel for the following dates:

- Tuesday, Oct. 30
- Tuesday, Nov. 13
- Tuesday, Nov. 27
- Tuesday, Dec. 4





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LAKESHORE CURLING CLUB – TROPICAL CHRISTMAS

Save the Date!

**TROPICAL
CHRISTMAS**

- *FOOD
- *FUN
- *PRIZES
- *FUN
- *CURLING
- *FUN
- *COSTUME
- *FUN
- *TURKEY SHOOTOUT



**SAVE THE DATE!
SAT DEC 8 2018**

Tickets/registration open Nov 15 to Dec 5, 2018

For more information call (902) 869-CURL (2875) or email: info@lakeshorecurlingclub.com. Both food and gift support is available.

SACKVILLE HEIGHTS COMMUNITY CENTRE (SHCC) CHRISTMAS CHEER PROGRAM

Formerly the Cobequid Christmas Cheer Program, [Sackville Heights Community Centre](#) is now administering this very special community program to support families and children during the Christmas season. With the support of numerous community organizations, individuals and business sponsorships SHCC is

able to provide toys and clothes for children 12 years and under in Sackville and surrounding communities during Christmas. Both food and gift support is available.

The holiday season can be stressful, but we're here to help. Everyone needs support sometimes and we want the experience to be as stress free as possible. Last year, in HRM alone, almost 7,000 households reached out for a little extra help.

Our member agencies are working hard to provide food over the holiday season. In HRM we operate a Christmas Registry (902-457-2849) that matches requests for support with food and gift resources in the community. Although registration for assistance has closed for this season, we thank all who support the program.

Your assistance helps make the holidays a little more special for many families.





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TRANSGENDER DAY - FLAG RAISING



I was honoured to be with Councillors Matt Whitman, Shawn Cleary and Mayor Savage at the November 20th Transgender Day Flag Raising event at Grand Parade.

It was a day of remembrance to honour those who have been affected by anti-transgender violence and to reflect on how we can become a more inclusive, accepting and respectful society.



WONDERFUL TO CO-HOST THE RECENT FUR BALL WITH JAMIE PATERSON IN SUPPORT OF GREYHOUND RESCUE



JOINING MAYOR SAVAGE AND BRONWYN MACKINNON, COMMUNITY DEVELOPER, AT THE ANNUAL HRM VOLUNTEER CONFERENCE





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FESTIVE FUN AT THE 2018 GRAND PARADE TREE LIGHTING EVENT



With Council colleagues Mayor Mike Savage, Councillor Richard Zurawski, me, Councillor Matt Whitman and Deputy Mayor Tony Mancini.



NEW YEAR'S EVE

Join in the fun on the [Grand Parade](#) to help in ring the new year! Live music starting at 10:00 p.m. and a Fireworks show at midnight will bring the new year in with a blast! Hope to see you there! There will also be family fun at the [Emera Oval](#) with free skating, music and 2 fireworks shows: one at 7:00 p.m. and one at midnight!

FREE TRANSIT SERVICE

Halifax Transit will be offering free transit service starting at 6:00 p.m. on December 31st. Some routes, including the Alderney Ferry, will have extended service. Check our [website](#) for more details.

NEW YEAR'S LEVEES

Tuesday, January 1st, 2019 – start the new year off with a visit to City Hall and take part in the New Year's Levee with Mayor Mike Savage and municipal Councillors. TIME: 9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. 1841 Argyle Street, Halifax.



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

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