THE VILLAGE NEWS

WEEKLY UPDATE

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- Trick-or-Treat Able

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Talk with your city about accessibility!

Is accessibility an issue for you or someone you know?

If so, come and talk with your city about HRM facilities and infrastructure!

Bloomfield Centre - Multipurpose Room
2786 Agricola Street, Halifax
Wednesday, June 20, 2012
5:30 - 7:30 pm

HRM staff, Councillors, and members of the HRM Accessibility Advisory Committee will be on hand to listen to your feedback on obstacles you may have faced in getting around HRM and enjoying our wonderful facilities.

Refreshments will be served

Meeting hosted by the Accessibility Advisory Committee for HRM

RSVP to Jennifer Weagle by June 13, 2012
Email: weaglej@halifax.ca
Phone: 902-490-6517

Did You Know?

- Beginning May 21, 2012, further Access-A-Bus scheduling improvements will be introduced with the reduction of client trip booking requirements from 48 hours to 24 hours.

- 2012 Kermesse will be happening at the IWK Health Centre on Saturday May 26th, 2012. Visit the IWK website at www.iwk.nshealth.ca and then click on the "Auxiliary" tab to find out schedules for entertainment and much, much more! Be sure to visit the Ped. Rehabilitation Booth!

Next week is Access Awareness Week, and The Club is holding a week of activities to celebrate:

Sunday May 27: 3pm to 4pm
Access Awareness Week Launch Party
with dancing, dj-ing, and refreshments at Drop In Club. All welcome!

Monday May 28: 10am
SCRI Society 'The Club' is honoured to be awarded the Mel Hebb Hourglass Community Action Award, in recognition to our contribution to the lives of persons who have disabilities. Province House, the Red Room.

Monday May 28: 4pm
Sarah Gillis from Spring Garden Road Library will be visiting us to help get library cards and find out more about all the fun things the library has to offer.

Tuesday May 29: 7pm
IWK Launch Event: Human Rights advocate and CEO of the Human Rights Commission in Nova Scotia, David Shannon, will be at the Club to meet to members, families and care-givers and to answer questions about your legal rights.

May 31: Outing to the Spring Garden Road Public Library (as long as it's not pouring with rain)
We'll meet at The Club at 3 pm, take wheelchair accessible public transit down to the Spring Garden Road Library, and have a tour with
librarian Sarah Gillis. If you want to, you can get a library card and sign out some books, CDs or DVDs. If we have time, we'll then stop at 2nd Cup for coffee and conversation. We'll take public transit back to the Club (arriving around 6:15 pm). We'll provide the bus tickets, you bring
money for treats at 2nd Cup.
Registration is limited, **so please sign up as soon as possible, either by email (reply to this message) or on the sign-up sheet at The Club.**
This outing is included in monthly membership, or pay-as-you-go fees apply. This outing is weather dependent - if it's pouring with rain we'll do something at the Club instead.

There will be no regular Drop-in on May 31.

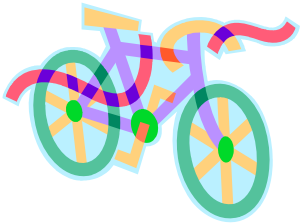
HRM Bike Week 2012

May 25—June 3

"The HRM Bike Week aims to celebrate, educate and increase participation in all types of cycling throughout the region." -www.halifax.ca

For more information and scheduling of this event please visit:
http://www.halifax.ca/bikeweek/index.html

MEC BikeFest



The IWK Recreation Therapy Department will also be participating in MEC BikeFest on *Sunday May 27*! Come out to see all kinds of unique and adaptive bikes!

For more information of the MEC BikeFest Halifax, visit: **http://blog.mec.ca/events/mec-Bikefest/mec-bikefest-halifax/**

Attention all HACL Families

Group Orientation Meeting

12:30 to 2:00 PM

HACL Office on June 6th.

Have a cup of tea or coffee, hear about HACL's programs and the different supports we offer,
and meet other families in HRM who may be facing similar issues.
To take part in this session, simply call the Family Support Program at 463-4752 or email famsupporthacl@eastlink.ca
We welcome families who have been involved with HACL in the past and would like to re-initiate contact with a Family Support Facilitator.
We can continue to meet with families one-on-one after their group orientation, and families will have a chance to book an individual meeting with one of us at the end of their group session.

To find our office, go to Joe Howe School situated on the corner of Charles St. and Maynard St.
Ring the buzzer at the Charles street entrance next to the playground at the Daycare entrance.
Follow the signs and you will find us on the second level of the building.
Parking is along the side streets in the neighbourhood. Careful to park in correct spots (watch signage)

Yvette Cherry
Halifax Association for Community Living
Family Support Facilitator
www.halifaxacl.com
463-4752 Ext.2

HACL Mission Statement

"We believe that all people should be accepted as responsible, contributing members of their family and society."

LAUNCH

Date: Tuesday, May 29th, 2012

Time: 6:45pm to 8:30pm

Location: The Club—St. James Anglican Church

Criteria: Caregivers with a son/daughter in junior high or high school with a physical disability, acquired brain injury or brain tumor

Cost: FREE

Topic: Human Rights Legislation in NS

Please join us as we welcome David Shannon and Steven Estey

David is CEO of the Nova Scotia Human Rights Commission. David is the author of Six Degrees of Dignity: Disability in an Age of Freedom. He has practiced Law in Ontario. David is a person with quadriplegia as a result of a spinal cord injury at the age of 18. He can provide information regarding Human Rights legislation in Nova Scotia.

Steven is Chair, International Committee of the Council of Canadians with Disabilities (CCD). He has travelled widely for 20 years working with Disabled Peoples Organizations, Human Rights Commissions, Governments and United Nations Agencies.

Please RSVP to Kim Clarke
kim.clarke@iwk.nshealth.ca or 902-470-7039

New Brunswick Association for Community Living
Association du Nouveau-Brunswick pour l'intégration communautaire

The New Brunswick Association for Community Living Presents...
THE BULLY, THE BULLIED AND THE BYSTANDER

Workshop with Barbara Coloroso

Date: September 25, 2012 | **Time**: 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Location: Hugh John Flemming Forestry Centre Auditorium - Fredericton, NB

A powerful way to understand bullying that explains why current approaches to the problem - at home, at school, and in our communities -- have often failed. Barbara debunks the misconceptions and explains what school boards, administrators, teachers, parents, and other caregivers can do to recognize and help bullies and their targets before the violence becomes entrenched or tragically escalates.

Barbara Coloroso is an international bestselling author and for the past 38 years an internationally recognized speaker and consultant on parenting, teaching, school discipline, positive school climate, bullying, grieving, nonviolent conflict resolution and restorative justice.

TO REGISTER PLEASE CONTACT:
Rebecca Pilson, Administrative Planning Coordinator
(506) 453-8635 or (866) 622-2548 (toll free), option #2 or by emailing rpilson@nbacl.nb.ca

Online registration available at www.nbacl.nb.ca

REGISTRATION COST: $175 Workshop includes lunch, nutrition breaks and refreshments.
Registration deadline is September 17, 2012

There will be a book-signing with Barbara before and after the day workshop.

Space is limited so please register early to secure your spot!
No cancellations or refunds after registration closes; substitutions will be allowed.
WORKSHOP WILL BE PROVIDED IN ENGLISH ONLY.

PLEASE NOTE : A limited number of grants are available to support individuals to attend this DAY workshop.
To apply for a grant application, please contact:
Tara Steeves, NBACL Finance Officer, tsteeves@nbacl.nb.ca or 506-453-2449.

NOTICE OF INTEREST & CALL FOR PARTICIPATION

TRICK-OR-TREAT-ABLE

Coming to Halifax,

October 31, 2012

Hi Folks,

My name is Nicole McDonald and I am working with Easter Seals on a program to enable kids and youth who have a physical disability to actually go knocking door to door this Halloween. I know that October seems a long way away, but we will need to know if there is enough interest to proceed with the project.

The plan is to:

- Find wheelchair accessible properties, and tenants who would like to participate
- Find volunteers to assist with the event
- The project will take place in the city of Halifax

We are looking for kids who have a mobility challenge, and are interested in this experience. If you, or your child, is interested please contact me with the following information:

- ✓ Age
- ✓ Disability
- ✓ Will you want to be with an able bodied friend or sibling? Please indicate the number of participants (1 or2)

Send me an e-mail at nicolemcdonald1967@hotmail.ca with Trick-or-Treat-Able in the subject line. Please respond by June 15, 2012.

Happy Halloween

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