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New DOCTOR and Clinical Nurse Practitioner (CNP) Update



The NSHA has hired Dr. Graeme Kohler to be responsible for Doctor and CNP recruitment for the Central Zone in NS, replacing Dr. Rick Gibson. Dr. Kohler and Barbara have met to review a new location for a medical clinic. We are actively recruiting a Physician to supervise the nurse

practitioner as well as provide care. We have expressions of interest from 2 CNP's but they will have to go through the hiring process once the location is settled and a supervising doctor is secured. I have requested that the Liberal promise of a collaborative health centre that was promised to our area during the last election be honored and that the budget for this centre be included in the Spring 2018 budget.

Getting called off the 811 Doctor Wait List to start February 2018

Up until February, 2018, new Doctors that were hired for Dartmouth Medical Clinics were **not calling our constituency residents**. After negotiating with the NSHA, I have been assured that this unfair practice will stop and that approximately 96 residents were called during the week of February 10 – 18th, 2018, with the name of a new doctor. I certainly hope this is true. I would love to hear from those who did receive this call.



Citizens ON Patrol Community Meeting planned for Thursday, April 26th, 2018



As many of you know, our community has significant issues with theft, vandalism and mischief, especially during the warmer months. Recently there have reports of violence and break ins that have left many in the community deeply worried. The Cole Harbour Detachment already offers a COP program in Cole Harbour but many of you have expressed a desire for a similar program to cover the Eastern Passage / Cow Bay area. Shearwater is patrolled by the Military Police and Woodside is patrolled by the HRM

Police. Join us for a meeting at the Eastern Passage Cow Bay Lions Club from 6 to 7 pm on April 26th, 2018. Call my constituency office at 902 406 0656 for more information.

SAVE THE DATE & COME JOIN US FOR our Business EXPO on April 16th, 2018

Eastern Passage – Cow Bay Lions Club
 65 Hornes Rd, Eastern Passage 6 to 8:30 pm

Small Business Owners in our Constituency are the glue that holds our community

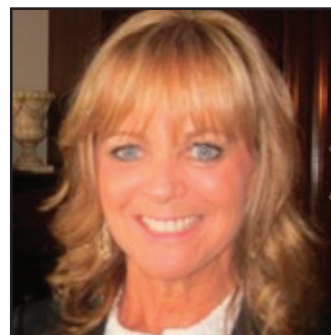
together. They work hard every day to provide us with the products and services we have come to depend on. We need to thank them by shopping local.



From 6 to 7 pm, all residents in the constituency with businesses large and small will join MLA Barbara Adams and the various provincial government agencies that provide grants, employment advice and training and other programs and services to help businesses grow. Non-profits in the community are also welcome to attend **FREE OF CHARGE**.

From 7 to 8:30 pm all members of the **Eastern Passage and Area Business Association** will have their business wares and services on full display. Come visit their booths and **WIN GREAT PRIZES or a FREE Business Association Membership! LOTS of FOOD too!** Non- EPABA business owners can purchase 50% of a table for \$20. This table fee can be used within 2 months to purchase a membership in the EPABA (\$20 towards the yearly membership fee of \$50. To Register your business or for more information about the event or the EPABA Association, please call Tamara Freeman of Tamara Freeman Graphic Designs (EPABA Chairman) at 902 877 8121. More details to follow ASAP.

Congratulations to Principal of the Year to Mary Paul MacEachern



We are incredibly proud of South Woodside School Principal Mary Paul MacEachern for being selected. “Now celebrating its 14th year, The Learning Partnership’s Canada’s Outstanding Principals program recognizes the unique and vital contributions of principals in publicly funded schools. The 40 principals, nominated by parents, colleagues and community members, and chosen by a national selection committee, are being celebrated for demonstrating innovation, leadership and for employing creativity in finding solutions and opportunities within their school.”

Thank you to Tanya Naugle of Seafarer’s Pub for hosting XMAS dinner

I didn’t have a chance last month to say a special thank you to Tanya Naugle and her special team of Elves who hosted Seniors from Island View Manor for XMAS Dinner this year. Everyone involved was looking forward to the event and we all had a great time.

Island View High School Town Hall Meeting February 8th, 2018

There was a wonderful sense of excitement and enthusiasm amongst the 140 people who attended the IVHS Town Hall Meeting hosted by MLA Barbara Adams. Guest speakers were new Principal Pat Savage, HRSB School Board Rep Nancy Jakeman and Kevin Deveaux and the Island View High School Enhancement

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Committee. Updates on the school, curriculum and fund-raising plans were discussed. Principal Savage reported that the school transition questionnaire given to students in Grade 11 at Cole Harbour High (CHH) revealed that most students wanted to finish out grade 12 at CHH. This recommendation was made to the School Board as well as providing bussing for these students next year. Students who would be going to the IVHS who want the IB or Skills Trade programs will have to apply for out of area transfers, but bussing services may only be available if there is any space for curtesy bussing. The IVHS Enhancement Committee will have several fund-raising events coming up and we will be looking for lots of donations & volunteers!



Auburn & Cole Harbour High School and Feeder School Review Process

I have requested an update from Education Minister Zach Churchill about the fate of all Cole Harbour Schools but there has been no response to date. We do not know who will make the final decisions about the school as Zach Churchill has sent a directive to all School Boards including the HRSB advising them to NOT make any significant decisions because of the Glaze Report Recommendations. The Liberal Government will be moving to terminate the HRSB and move power and authority to other volunteer and government bodies.



Business Heroes Jamie and Fran Rouse

I would like to congratulate Jamie and Fran Rouse on celebrating their 5th anniversary as business owners of Boondocks Restaurant. Boondocks Restaurant has sat nestled in the Fisherman's Cove area of Eastern Passage for the last 20 years. Jamie and Fran give back to the community, hosting the annual auction fundraiser for the Eastern Passage Summer Carnival at Boondocks Restaurant and hosting a free breakfast on the morning of "Dumping Day" for fishermen and community members. I would also like to take this time to recognize Jamie for his Official role as Town Crier. Jamie, the Town Crier leads the Eastern Passage Parade through the community each year rain or shine.

Home Town Hero Missy Searl

I would like to bring recognition to constituent Missy Symonds Searl. Missy puts countless hours into helping less fortunate people. What all started years ago with helping women at homeless shelters on Mother's Day has transformed over the years to now helping men, women and children over the holiday season. Missy uses social media to generate the giving. There are a few drop off sites around HRM, one being Tallahassee School in Eastern Passage. This year, Missy's 50th Birthday wish came true with over 1500 items donated! All distributed in gift bags for local people in need. With the increased amount of donations this year, Missy was able to donate to all of the following: Bayers Westwood Family Resource Centre (children's gift bags, clothes), VETS Canada (socks), Out of the Cold Winter Shelter (gift bags), Souls Harbour Men's Shelter (gift bags), Phoenix Youth Centre (gift bags), Barry House (gift bags), Adsum House Brunswick Street (gift bags). She also received 90 knitted pairs of mittens and 90 knitted hats.

Sports Heroes Jason and Dominique Lombard

I would like to bring recognition to the Eastern Passage Minor Baseball Association and their President Jason Lombard and Vice President Dominique Lombard. Jason is also the head coach for the Midget A division. This is their 3rd year running the Association. They started their first year with approximately 90 kids registered, this year there were over 200 kids registered. The association consists of 4 levels ranging in ages from 4 to 18. Jason and Dominique spend countless hours 12 months of the year fundraising, purchasing gear, attending meetings, running a winter ball clinic, coordinating tournaments and hosting Opening Day.

Nominate a home town hero at 902 406 0656
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Open meeting at MLA office with Parents and Teachers Held



As you are aware, the Liberal Government commissioned the Glaze Report on the NS Education System and the School Boards. The report was released in early January 2018 and the government moved to immediately accept all 22 recommendations. This decision calls for the removal of English speaking school boards, Principals and Vice Principals from the unions and many other changes to the over – sight of teachers and schools that will place more power in the hands of the Minister of Education. The response from the NS Teachers Union and Teachers has been swift and a strike vote was called for February 20th, 2018.

The NS Legislature has been called back in a month early to pass the Liberal Government's Education Bill. I hosted an open meeting at my office on Feb 15th and 22nd 2018 to parents and teachers who wanted to share their fears, concerns and recommendations about the Glaze Report's recommendations.

Tutors Needed!

Our adult and youth tutor, Chris Lavoie, will be retiring from tutoring the end of April as he moves on to finish up his PhD. We have several elementary students (math and reading) as well as junior high and high school students who need help with Math. If you would be willing to offer up a 4 to 6-week block of time for 2 hours for tutoring, the entire community would be most grateful. Please call our office for more details.

Constituency Community Calendar and List of Businesses now online

My new MLA Website is www.barbadams.ca.

Email me at barbadamsmla@gmail.com.

Benin Africa Public Talk by Barbara Adams (Physiotherapist)



April 26th, 2018 at the EP – CB Lions Club from 7:15 to 8:15 pm

Please join me for a heart-warming and educational talk about my Medical Mission to Africa. The lecture will be held at the Lions Club at 65 Horne Rd, Eastern Passage on Thursday April 26th after the Meeting for Citizens on Patrol.

COMMUNITY DANCE
EASTERN PASSAGE/COW BAY LIONS CLUB
65 HORNES ROAD, EASTERN PASSAGE

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