



# Around *the* Block



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## Saint John Port Days



**On June 12th, from 11a.m. until 3p.m., you can make the Port your playground!**

Community Day, held at the Cruise Terminals on Water Street in Saint John, is all about family! It's a free admission, rain-or-shine event that has something for everyone. "This is our 6th annual Community Day event," says Jim Quinn, President and CEO of Port Saint John. "It is something our whole team looks forward to every year, because giving back to our community, and connecting with families to help build an understanding of what we do at the port every day, is very important to us."

### So many great experiences

At Community Day, visitors can ride a trolley, a miniature train, or even a light armoured vehicle! Guests can watch a magician, see a tugboat do a water show, or even run through an inflatable maze.

### So many things to learn

Both the Huntsman Marine Science Centre and Little Ray's Reptile Zoo will be on-site, so you can get up close and personal with all kinds of creatures.

### So many things to do

Kids can have their faces painted, meet a princess, jump in a bouncy castle, and even win prizes at the carnival games.

After all that fun, don't forget the BBQ – with all proceeds from food and drink items going to support the PALS program. Come see your port up close! Bring the family, bring a camera, and get ready to share your Community Day on social media using the hashtag SJ PORT DAYS.



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Welcome to issue 47 of Around the Block, "Spring into Summer" "There were some many stories and pictures for this issue as you can see there is little space for me to write any comments.

We are happy to partner with Saint John Port to bring you events that are happening on June 12 for an eventful day at the Port. There are communities and partners planning events that will take place in each neighbourhood over the summer and community gardens are begin planted every were.

I have a plot at the Crescent Valley garden and it is all planted. I can't wait to start eating all the fresh vegetables. Have a nice summer.

## Anglin Drive Summer Time Fun



*Pictured are neighbours at Music In the Park 2015  
(photo courtesy Kelly Kelly)*

By Pat Porter

Anglin Drive has lots to offer for the summer; loads of green space, beautiful gardens and a great playground with new upgrades. Story Tent will be outside 143 Anglin Drive from July 8th – August 26th, 9:30 – 11:30am every Friday morning for children to borrow books and join us for stories and healthy snacks.

Last year, the Anglin Drive Tenants Association proudly offered Music in the Park for the first time and it was a big hit. We are excited to offer Music in the Park again this year as well as the much anticipated Fun Day and Back to School Dance. It's going to be a great summer for Anglin Drive.

## SJMNRC Summer Programs For Newcomers

By Stacy Wang,  
Youth Program Officer  
Summer is fast approaching, and the Saint John Multicultural & Newcomers Resource Centre's Youth Program is gearing up for another exciting summer.

There will be a wide variety of workshops and camp options once again – I Love Saint John Arts & Pottery Boot Camp, Kings Landing Historical Settlement Trip, Adventure Camp, Upcycling Camp, St. Andrews Whale Watching, Soccer Camp, Leadership Camp, Sports Camp – and so many more!



*Pictured are a group from last year's SJMNRC's youth summer camp..."  
(photo courtesy Stacy Wang)*

This is a great opportunity for newcomer kids to create amazing memories of being a kid in a new hometown.

Want to learn more? Contact the Youth Program Officer, Stacy Wang at SJMNRC, 642-1201, [stacy.wang@sjmnr.ca](mailto:stacy.wang@sjmnr.ca)

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### Summer Time Fun



*By Vanessa Crossman*  
With summer break quickly approaching, we have been preparing for our summer programs. School will be out and summer camp will begin. Another event to look forward to is our "Old North End Days" -a week-long event to recognize and celebrate our North End. It's a great chance to meet new people, dance, catch a movie in the park, and enjoy the summer's best BBQ. We will be holding our 4th annual Teddy Bear Picnic. Don't miss out on the fun this summer. Stay tuned for upcoming dates and times via our ONE Change Inc. Facebook page and we will see you there!

### Sewing Club



*Pictured left to right: Betty Delaney, Sukaynah, Connor, Jada, Ethan, Ashlee, Ryan and Harriet Savoy (Photo courtesy Vanessa Crossman)*  
*By Vanessa Crossman*  
Our first Sewing Club was a huge success. Eight of our ONE Play Program children participated in our Sewing Club. Each of them made a "Quillow": a pillow and a blanket in one. Thank you to Betty Delaney who organized our Sewing Club. Also, a big thank you to Harriet Savoy who donated her time to help. The children are very proud of their accomplishments and blankets. We are excited for the next group of talented children to show off their creations. We are hoping in the near future to start a sewing club in the evening for youth and adults.

### Spring Is Here

*By Vanessa Crossman*  
Our children have been working hard in our flower beds in front of the Centre and are ready to expand their horizons. They love getting their hands dirty! The kids here at ONE Change Inc. are looking forward to working in their community garden. We are going to assemble a group of our best gardeners and meet every Thursday evening to work the ground and pull the weeds. Of course, not until the young minds get a chance to test their science skills while checking to make sure the soil is just right.

### Mother's Day Tea



*Pictured left to right: Louise Buick, Helen Williams and Rose Young. (Photo courtesy Christa Petts)*

*By Christa Petts*  
Spring has arrived! What a special way to begin spring by celebrating Mother's Day. With the help of our wonderful volunteers we organized a great dinner with entertainment for all the North End moms. Fresh flowers were given to each mom. What a night to remember: dinner, entertainment, and lots of laughs. We would like to take the time to thank Mike Bigney for the beautiful mirror he made which was won by one of our amazing moms. Every now and then our moms deserve to be celebrated.

### Birthday Money



*Pictured left to right: William Stevens-Phillips and Barry Galloway (photo courtesy Christa Petts)*

*By Barry Galloway*  
One of our children had his birthday last week. He was very proud that he received \$145 for his birthday and wanted to buy some new toys. William saw a flyer at the Centre about our focus group discussion around the future of the Lorne School to transform the school into programs for the North End.  
William said, "Nan, I want to buy 2 robots and they are \$25 each. Can I give the Centre the \$90 that is left to help?"  
Nan said it wasn't necessary. William responded, "But, Nan, you told me I should always do the right thing and this is the right thing."  
William is a true leader.

Great job William, we are so proud of your commitment to our neighborhood.



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## The Big Spring Clean Up



Pictured are volunteers from the South End Lions Club and P.U.L.S.E. . (Photo Courtesy Ben Gillchrist)

P.U.L.S.E. had the perfect night, weather wise, to partner up with the South End Saint John Lions Club. Together we were able to do a sweep of Rainbow Park and the South End. Thank you to the City of Saint John and for the use of 'The Green Machine'! Even the wheelbarrow made its debut, with Holly Singh taking it with her crew! Thanks to the families who helped to clean up in the park and managed to do some cleaning with the kids on the way home! I hope you enjoyed your Subway card, girls!



## Comings And Going At PULSE

P.U.L.S.E is pleased to offer FREE Income Tax (prior years are able to be done as well) returns year round. Please call 632-6807 to make an appointment.

Stop in to see our lending library and computer access centre. Is it time to re-write your resume?

We are also a "pumping station" for the "Healthy Hair-Happy Head" program for head lice.

We are always looking for volunteers to come and join our team here at P.U.L.S.E. What are your strengths? Maybe you would like to start up a coffee and chat.

Sgt. David Hartley-Brown can be reached at 648-3700 or david.hartley-brown@saintjohn.ca for any non emergency police concerns you may have.

Do you have an idea that you want heard? Come visit me at the office. We are open: Monday 9 a.m.-2p.m., Tuesday 9a.m.-1p.m., Wednesday Closed. Thursday 9a.m.-1p.m. Friday 9a.m.-2p.m.. Follow us on Twitter LIKE us on Facebook.



## Bee Me Kidz

Did you know we are done for the school year? But guess what?! This summer we will be having a Bee Me Readz camp in the evenings from 5:15pm to 7:30pm.

The dates will be: July 18th to 21st at Prince Charles School (Union Street) For more information please call or text 506-654-0064!



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## Sisters of Charity And Residents Plant Tree On Earth Day

By Sisters of Charity

Earth Day 2016 was sunny and warm when the Sisters of Charity planted a tree with residents outside the Crescent Valley Resource Centre on April 22nd. The ivory silk tree, in the lilac family, promises to have fragrant white blossoms.

On behalf of the Sisters of Charity, Sister Mary Beth McCurdy spoke to those gathered outdoors. She noted that people all over the world were celebrating Earth Day with the 2016 theme, Trees for the Earth. Two young residents helped Sister Mary Beth shovel earth around the tree. Residents, Sisters and guests then enjoyed a reception inside the centre.



Pictured left to right - Eyva Telo, Sister Mary Beth McCurdy and Sybil Mallaley with her mother Sherry Saunders. (Photo courtesy Sisters of Charity)

There were guests from the Crescent Valley Resource Centre Board of Directors, the YMCA, Saint John Common Council, St. Joseph Community Health Centre and the NB Department of Social Development.

## Community Fun Days

By Richard Northorp

Crescent Valley Community Tenants Association cordially invites you to attend their 25th annual Community Fun Days to be held on July 22 & 23. They will be holding their annual street dance by the Community Garden on Friday, July 22 from 6p.m.-8p.m. with live entertainment by Delbert. There will be a canteen on site.



On July 23, Fun Days will kick off at noon with a Bicycle Parade from Sandy Point Road (Coronation Ct area) down to 55-57 MacLaren Blvd. The C.V. Bike Club will be working with the Tenant Association to coordinate this event. There will be an official cake cutting ceremony at 2:00 p.m. Rain date is scheduled for July 24.

Our main Fun Day on Saturday involves a variety of activities such as: games, prizes, a barbecue, 25 cent bingo, music and a money wheel game. Other activities include a bouncy castle, tattoos and horse & wagon rides. Hope to see you there!

## HWSF Language Learning Centre

By: Ryan Leland, Community Schools Coordinator. The Language Learning Centre at Hazen White – St. Francis School (HWSF) is an environment welcoming our Syrian students and their families to participate in daily activities which make them feel a part of our school. Students are being guided through English language learning and taking part in specialty classes such as physical education and music! The Hazen White – St. Francis School community appreciates the following teachers and support staff who make the lives of these children a better experience: Monica Watson, Roxanne Arnold, Melissa Gavin, Sarah Shuait, Carrie Coughlan, Muhammad Al Jumaili, Jennifer Settle, Jeff Matheson and Heather Stackhouse



Pictured left to right - Monica Watson, Carrie Coughlan, Sarah Shuait, Jennifer Settle. (Photo courtesy Ryan Leland)

## HWSF Youth Enhancement Program



Pictured left to right: Theresa Keane-Gormley, Branch Manager RBC Lansdowne & Wellesley, students of HW/SF School, Ryan Leland, Community Schools Coordinator and Megan Donovan, Principal (Photo courtesy HWSF)

By A Ann Barrett

Hazen White St Francis School (HWSF) provides many programs for its students above the regular academic programs. These have helped to enrich the student's overall well being. A very important part of these are the Nutrition programs that ensure the students are healthy, full of energy and ready to participate.

Youth Enhancement Program (YEP) works to get grants to help fund the breakfast and lunch program as well as snacks before the after school programs. So far for the next school year YEP has received \$2500 from the RBC Foundation and \$2400 from a special anonymous donor. Thank you! Their donations really make a difference. To donate contact Ann Barrett at aannbarrett@me.com.

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## Preparing For Planting Season



Pictured left to right: Linda B, Linda W, Phil, Ronnie, and Roy. Mike Roberts; was there too and took the picture.

By Jill Roberts

This season is shaping up to be a great one at the Carleton Community Garden. The garden work committee built two, brand new, raised beds last fall, which increases the number of raised beds to six. These past few weeks have been very busy, as the work crew and volunteers are working on the installation of an underground water supply that will make watering the garden much more efficient. Volunteers recently planted 50 feet of raspberry bushes and 50 feet of blueberry bushes, which will be a nice addition to last year's orchard of fruit trees that were planted. Thank you to the dedicated volunteers, who help to make this community project a success.

## Market Pace Wellness Updates

Carleton Community Centre 674-4335, 120 Market Place West.  
Open Monday to Friday 7:30a.m-3:30p.m

- Specimen Collection; Tuesday and Wednesday, 8:am.-3:p.m, Ap-appointments only: 649-2704.
- Food Bank; Tuesday and Friday, 1- 3p.m.
- Smoking Cessation Program; call 674-4335 for an appointment.
- Fundy Fog Chasers; meet Thursday at 6:30p.m. and Saturday 9a.m. Runners and walkers welcome. No charge to participate. There is a site on Face book.
- Food Purchase Club; Clients pays for their bag of fresh produce 674-4335 for information.
- Social Development Case worker; on site Tuesday 1 -3p.m., or by appointment.
- Monthly Foot care clinic (\$35 fee or covered by insurance) 3rd Wednesday of each month. Appointment needed 657-2273.
- Senior led fitness program; / Falls Prevention ages 50 and up, "Zoomers", free. Next 12 week session will start Tuesday; April 12/16 all participants must be assessed, beginning at 9a.m. that day to participate. Space is limited. (Carleton Community Centre).
- Gentle Yoga; Thursday at 10: am, \$6.00 fee applies.
- Pickle Ball; Tuesday, 11: a.m., contact Mike 672-9566.
- Community Garden Plots; \$15 plus \$5 key deposit, first come first serve.
- 2 Nurse Practitioners; by appointment only.
- Social Worker/Counselling; by appointment only.
- Art Class – Tuesday morning at 10:a.m.(Goodwill offering)contact: kimmy.cookson@gmail.com

## Westside PACT Updates



By Anna James

Here at the Westside PACT, we are looking forward to summer. We are presently in the process of hiring our Summer Students. We have many programs that we are looking forward to offering to the community. We will be continuing our monthly Fresh Produce Club as well as our Farmer's Market.

Our give-and-take library is open to the community now, during office hours, Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. We will be posting our upcoming programs in our July newsletter, and on our Facebook page, or you can just drop by the office and see what's coming up.

Stay tuned, Everyone, it is going to a fun filled summer!

## Summer Reading Club



Pictured left to right: Mia Jackson, Savannah Penhollow, Hailey Sanderson and Jayda Cassidy (Photo courtesy Krista Turnbull)

By Krista Turnbull,

St. Patrick's School Community Schools Coordinator

The Victoria Day weekend was a beautiful weekend and a perfect one for BBQing with friends. John MacDonald and his staff at Kent's West welcomed us to their location to host a BBQ fundraiser for a St. Pat's summer reading program. We had a great time serving folks in the community who generously donated to this exciting program, which will be held this summer with our community schools coordinator, in partnership with the West Branch Library near the Carleton Community Garden.

Summer doesn't have to represent lost reading skills when you have a chance to participate in a fun morning of reading, crafts and literacy activities on a beautiful summer day. Thanks as well to the K-Kids (Kiwanis Kids) who helped out and to our volunteers, Jill, Joan, Peter and Ethan.

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## Salvation Army Summer Camp



Miguel enjoying summer camp  
(photo courtesy Shelly McCready)

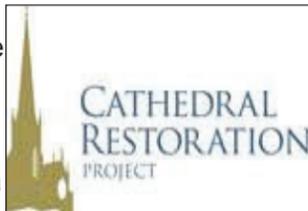
By Shelly McCready,

Community Ministries Coordinator, Maritime Division

Once again this July 25- 29 thanks, in part, to a grant from the NB Children's Foundation, we, The Salvation Army Saint John, will be taking 50 children from Saint John to beautiful Scotian Glen in Nova Scotia for a free week-long camping experience. Sports such as canoeing, swimming, hiking, along with games like dodge ball, scavenger hunts, as well as crafts, skits, and music fill the hours. At sunset, the day winds down by the campfire with a sing-a-long and marshmallow roast. The week is packed with adventure and fun. If you know a child 7-12 years who could benefit from this sponsorship, call me for an application.

## Concerts In The Cathedral

Halifax folk singer Rob Currie will be playing Friday, June 24 at 7pm at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception on Waterloo Street. Best-known as the leader of The Cornerboys,



Rob has entertained Maritime audiences for a dozen years. Special guest performances by Saint John's Brent Mason and Jim Stewart.

Tickets are \$20 and are available at the Harbour Station Box Office (1-800-267-2800), at <https://www.tickets.harbourstation.ca/Online> or at the door.

## Spring Into Summer

by Carolyn McLennan

Summer is such an exciting time for Courtenay Bay residents. We are all gearing up to plant in our community gardens. We all get so excited to see the gates of the garden doors open so we can start planting. We received new soil and a new double door from Social Development, so gardening is super exciting this season. The pumpkin patch is ready for the children to plant their seeds. We also like watching the children out riding their bikes.

There is so much excitement in the air. Children are happy as school is winding down. We are looking forward to Story Tent and Music In The Park again this summer. Summer is a fun time to be out and about in our neighbourhood.

## Waterloo-Village Association Updates

The Village



Waterloo Neighbourhood Association

By Penni Eisenhauer

The members of the Waterloo Village Neighbourhood Association are volunteer resident and community partners that work collectively on initiatives that positively impact the neighbourhood. On June 25, between 10 am -12 please join us for our annual Spring Clean Up and barbeque. Saint John's Green Machine, along with bags and gloves will be available at 656 Brunswick Drive and the corner of Waterloo and Cliff Street.

If you are interested in being more involved in your neighbourhood please contact Linda Scott, Chairperson of the Waterloo Village Neighbourhood Association at 672-3686 or email [commorg.penni@gmail.com](mailto:commorg.penni@gmail.com).

## Community Food Basket

By Katie Stevens

On behalf of the board, staff and volunteers of the Saint John Community Food Basket Inc., we would like to express our gratitude to the wonderful organizations that



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have shown us such generosity. During the month of April, Saint John High School and the First Gondola Point Scouts each conducted successful food drives to fill our shelves.

At our "Reduce the Rent" fundraising breakfast, we received donations from Canaport LNG, Saint John Energy, Cannon Security, Bell Aliant, Genesys, and Chipman Hill Inn & Suites. Finally, we would like to thank Irving Oil for their ongoing support through Food Bank Fridays; the money generated by this initiative has allowed us to purchase and provide clients with fresh produce. For more updates, please visit us on Facebook.

## Boys & Girls Club Youth Awards Night

By Amy Shanks, Executive Director

The end of spring always brings the Saint John Boys & Girls Club Youth Awards Night. This year the awards night was held on Tuesday, May 17th.

Thank you so much to all the presenter's, parents, guardians, and of course our youth members who attended this fun filled event.



## Gerry Lowe Councillor Ward 3

I am your Councillor for Ward 3. Parts of the Lower West Side, Lower South End, and parts of the East and a bit of the North by the Rockland Road area.

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## Huskies Ready To Howl !



Top row (L to R): Douglas Peterson, Maya Scopie and Gavin White.  
In front row (L to R): Tyrell Raynes, Darius Raynes, Jared Lunn and Tim Beck. (Photo courtesy Ryan Leland)

By Ryan Leland, Community Schools Coordinator, HWSF

Hazen White – St. Francis School recently held their Soapbox Derby Kick-Off Assembly on Thursday, May 12 in front of students, staff, and PALS partners from the community. The team was announced in front of a packed gymnasium and the squad is looking to compete hard at this year's Soapbox Derby being held on Saturday, May 28 on Cranston Avenue. Hazen White – St. Francis is very appreciative of the support and partnership from Stewart McKelvey Law and the UNBSJ Promise Partnership program.

The event itself is organized by Lily Lake Pavilion and PALS, and money raised all goes back to the PALS program to continue to build on positive experiences for youth in our schools and communities

## Beaconsfield Middle Thanks Eco-Heat

By Alliyah Hewey- BMS Grade 8 student

We, the students of Beaconsfield Middle School, would like to take this opportunity to thank EcoHeat for the contribution of a heat pump. We were able to sell tickets to raise money for our school. The tickets sold raised \$6195 for the students. We are truly grateful for this donation and very thankful.

During the months of February, March, and April students at Beaconsfield sold the EcoHeat raffle tickets. The draw took place on April 4. For every one booklet sold, the students got to see a free movie at Cineplex Theatres and for every booklet of tickets sold, the prizes accumulated towards cash and movie treats. The winner of this year's draw was Wanda Sparks and the winning ticket was sold by Morgan Drake from 8A. Congratulations Wanda Sparks!

Thanks to all who helped with this fundraiser. To find out more information on EcoHeat pumps, call Jay at 847-4328.

## The Kids On The Go Bus



Pictured Left to Right, Paul Dalton and the Kids On The Go Bus with young students

By Krista Turnbull,

Community Schools Coordinator for St. Patrick's School.

I'm sure you've seen it in your travels around Saint John; the Kids on the Go Bus. It's not a school bus and it's certainly not just any old bus. This amazing vessel of adventure on wheels is supplied to the Saint John community schools by Mr. J.K. Irving. Many years ago, he recognized the importance of providing students the opportunity to experience all Saint John (and beyond) has to offer without a financial burden.

By providing us a most amazing driver, Paul Dalton, he has made it possible for us to constantly be "on the go", broadening the horizons of hundreds of schoolchildren. I've been on the go for more than 300 trips with our kids. On occasion when it's full, I have followed in my own vehicle, staring at the big red letters, "Kids on the Go" above the J.D. Irving logo, always overcome with emotion. To many it doesn't look like much. To them it is just a bus, but to me, and to all our students it's so much more. It's a gift from a very huge heart that keeps on giving. This gift will continue to give in so many ways for many generations, making a difference in the lives of our students. That is a special gift for which "thank you" can not adequately cover.

Nevertheless, thank you Mr. Irving for all the wonderful memories that have been made possible because of your love for our students.

## A Garden For The Future



By Patrick Gauthier & Margaret Holder

On June 1, Princess Elizabeth School will be hosting a grand opening for our very first community garden. As the only school in the east to win this tremendous honour from Scott's Canada GRO1000 Showcase Garden competition, there is so much to look forward to.

Not only will we learn how to plant and grow our own food, we will be able to use it in our classes to make special dishes. Maybe the garden will become so big we will be able to share with all of our neighbours!



## Partnering from Kindergarten to Grade 12 and Beyond



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## Chick's Night Out

This is not a normal grief support group – it is a social get together both online and face-to-face. It's where women who have lost a loved one share their tears and learn to laugh again.

It's about healing and learning to have fun as we get back on our feet. We sometimes have guest speakers, games or just about anything could be happening. No invitation is necessary, just bring a friend and a potluck dish to share. A special meal with friends is a gift of healing. There are no fees and no obligations – just new friends to meet.

Location; Brenan's Bay View Funeral Home, 1461 Manawagonish Road, Saint John West. Date/Time; Always FIRST (1st) Wednesday of every month from 5 p.m. till 8:p.m. For more information contact Mary Francis by email: [mary@thesisterhoodofwidows.com](mailto:mary@thesisterhoodofwidows.com)

## Rainbows Program Offered At The Y

By Nicole Vair, Communications Coordinator

Rainbows is an International not-for-profit organization that fosters emotional healing among children, youth and adults grieving a loss from a life-altering crisis.

The YMCA offers Rainbows free of charge in a safe and supportive environment for children, youth and adults to process their feelings through a unique peer support program. Rainbows is generally offered through schools, but the Y is now running the program at the Saint John Regional Y. If you are interested in learning more or registering for a Rainbows session, please contact Jennifer Galbraith, Rainbows Coordinator at 646-2116.



## Champlain Heights Clean & Green

Join your neighbours in our Annual clean up of the Simonds Lions Bicentennial Park. Please register at the school upon arrival. Wear proper clothing for the weather. Gloves, vests, garbage bags provided. Bring along your rake if you have one.

Refreshments and prizes following clean up. Firefighters and pumper truck from Station No. 2 will be on hand for demonstrations. All are welcome! (Children must be accompanied by an adult.)

For further information contact: Brenda | 696-3043

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  - ▶ Social Insurance Number
  - ▶ One of the following:
    - ▶ Provincial ID
    - ▶ Driver's License
    - ▶ Current Credit/Debit Card
- ▶ ID for the child you'd like to register:
  - ▶ Birth Certificate (original)
  - ▶ SIN (if your child doesn't have a SIN yet, Service Canada will be there to provide one)

When: Friday, June 10,  
Before our Season Finale Concert

Where: Saint John High School

Time: 4:30 - 6:15PM

There will be a draw for door prizes for those who come to sign up!

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## North End Wellness Centre Opening



Staff for the North End Wellness Centre

By Tanya James

On May 6 the North End Wellness Centre (NEW-C), 233 Victoria Street, held an open house hosted by the Neighbourhood Action Group. The NEW-C is a community health and wellness center developed as a partnership including: Living SJ, Horizon Health Network, RiverCross Mission Church, One Change Inc., and the United Way. We celebrated with speeches, a ribbon cutting, tours of the centre, cake cutting done by students from Centennial School, and door prizes.

The NEW-C health team includes: two Nurse Practitioners, a Registered Nurse, administrative support and a Community Connector. Additions to the core team include onsite support from mental health and addiction services, pharmacy, occupational therapy, social work, and dietitian services.

If you live in the North End, do not have a doctor or Nurse Practitioner and would like to become a client, please call 649-2704.

## Swanton Street Playground

By Cody Arnold

The Swanton Street Playground Committee's goal is to renew the Champlain Heights Playground to a high quality neighborhood park by replacing the current playground structures and basketball court to modern safety standards.

Our committee has worked in conjunction with the City of Saint John, corporate donors and the Champlain Heights Community Association to develop a strategy of neighborhood engagement to replace the aging equipment. We are working to replace all the components of the existing park with equipment that meets current safety codes and are on-track for completion by the end of June 2016.

If anyone would like to contribute to our efforts, or would like more information, please contact our committee via email at either arnold.cody85@gmail.com or swantongirl14@gmail.com.

## New Community Connector

With the opening of the new North End Wellness Centre (NEW-C) comes a unique new position, the Community Connector. It is with pleasure that I, Tanya James, took on this role in April.

I work with and support individuals and families with navigation of government and community programs and services, bringing together the more formal health care system with recreation, job training and education, employment and other supports. My clients can be patients of the NEW-C's Nurse Practitioners, but I work with anyone who is a North End resident. While most often found at the NEW-C, I can meet residents in a comfortable community space of their choice.

To contact me directly, call 651-2705



## Social Enterprise Hub Update



Pictured above the Social Enterprise Hub from Chown Field (Photo courtesy Gary Flanagan)

By Pauline Waggott

The Social Enterprise Hub at 139 Prince Edward Street is making great progress. Currently construction on the interior of the building is taking place, and the roof is moving into its final stages of completion. We are looking forward to the summer months and being involved in the Waterloo Village.

We are happy to tell you that the Hub is 90% occupied, we are still looking for tenants for our Wellness Space and have space for a three to four-person operation. If you are interested in being a tenant or have any inquires please contact Pauline Waggott at Pauline@loanfund.ca. Follow the Saint John Community Loan Fund on Facebook to keep up to date on the Social Enterprise Hub's progress.

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## Congés d'été !



Photo prise par Gabriel Selway – été 2015 groupe SJMNR

By Sandrine Selway

CAMNASJ propose différents camps de vacances où les enfants pourront s'amuser et profiter du beau temps.

Au programme : ateliers d'arts plastique, apprentissage du français, pratique de sports différents. Des sorties, des rencontres, de nouveaux amis. Pour finir en beauté, fin Août, activité sur la plage de Irving Nature Park avec un potluck familial !

## Pathway To Education At The TRC

By Heather Doyle

The Teen Resource Center (TRC) is excited to announce that in September 2016 we will be offering the Pathways to Education program to grade nine youth that live in the Saint John priority neighborhoods of Waterloo Village and the South End. These students will be supported throughout their time in high school and through their transition to post-secondary education and/or meaningful employment. A new group of grade nine students will be added each year and will be provided the same continuation of supports.



Pictured Left to right – Kayla Melanson and the Pathways to Education Program Manager Heather Doyle (photo Courtesy of Paula Medford)

Pathways to Education's community-based Program has been helping youth in priority communities across Canada stay in school, graduate from high school, and achieve their full potential for more than a decade, and now it is coming to Saint John! Pathways offers:

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Find out how Roger is using his experience to contribute to building communities that better support those facing mental health issues and help them find wellness.

The Wellness Movement is growing in New Brunswick! Learn more about **Roger's story** and get inspired by other wellness stories at [wellnessNB.ca](http://wellnessNB.ca)



## A Playgroup Story



By Patricia Allan-Clark

With two very young children, Alana was looking for a place where they could all get out of the house and have other people around them. They quickly became part of the Family Resource Centre playgroup. Alana now tells other families: "it's fun, and you learn a lot of things that you really don't think about until the year they go to school...and they get all that here while playing. It also feels good to speak with other big people, not just your own little people at home."

The playgroups take place:

South End: Family Resource Centre & Early Learning Centre at St. John the Baptist/King Edward School. Waterloo Village: Prince Charles School. Old North End: Centennial School. Glen Falls: Glen Falls School. Crescent Valley: Crescent Valley Resource Centre. Lower West Side: Carleton Community Centre

For more information, call the Family Resource Centre 633-2182 or the Y Early Learning Centre 693-9057.

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## Summer Starts At The YMCA



Glen Carpenter Centre Day Camp (Photo courtesy Nicole Vair)

By Nicole Vair, Communications Coordinator.

Besides getting out in the fresh air and enjoying the summer sun, day camp is a great way for youth to unplug from technology and develop life-long skills. At the Y we offer more than 50 different camps at nine locations, where true friends are made and confidence is gained.

"Through YMCA camps and leadership programs, I proudly can say my daughter is a confident, knowledgeable thirteen year old girl," explained Sandra Barsalou.

The Y also offers financial assistance to make sure everyone has the opportunity to experience day camp. If you're interested in learning more you can visit our website at [saintjohnY.com](http://saintjohnY.com) or call our Camping Manager, Pip at 646-2104.

## Food Purchase Contest

This is issue 47 of Around The Block and our Food Purchase Club contest.

We are happy to partner with Saint John Energy to offer

2 - \$10.00 fresh fruit and produce orders. You need to locate, hidden throughout Around The Block, two Saint John Energy logos (not including this notice and the Saint John Energy ad)

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Congratulations to the winners for issue 46, Angela Kellar and Florence Garnett. We will list winners of this contest on the Around the Block



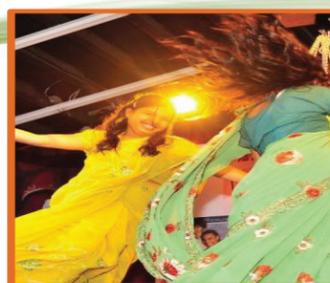


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