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Winterfest 2025

Join us from **February 6-9, 2025**, for a fun-filled celebration of winter in Tantramar! WinterFest offers something for everyone—outdoor adventures, delicious food, arts and crafts, and lively entertainment. Check out the exciting schedule of events below.



SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1

7:00 – 9:00 PM **WARM-UP TO WINTERFEST: WOMEN'S DESSERT NIGHT**

For just $12, cruise into a mid-winter tropical getaway evening created for the women of our community. Entertainment will include Andy Marr and his band of merry men. Cheesecakes, fresh fruit, and hot drinks served. Awesome travel and entertainment door prizes to be won, including the grand prize of a $500 VISA gift card! RSVP by phoning the church at 506-536-2615 or sending an email to office@churchbythelake.ca. Registration closes when we reach event capacity OR at 12PM Friday, January 31, whichever comes first. We don't want to turn anyone away. Call now. No ticket sales at the door. Cash or Interac e-Transfer accepted. Doors open at 6:30PM.
Church by the Lake, 14 Church St., Sackville

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6

9:00 AM – 12:00 PM **PICKLEBALL**

Give North America's fastest growing sport a try! $2.00. No experience necessary. Equipment provided. Ages 18+ only.
Mount Allison Athletics Centre, 50 York St., Sackville

12:00 – 1:30 PM **LUNCHTIME SKATE**

Free as always! Helmets are mandatory on the ice.
Tantramar Veterans Memorial Civic Centre, 182 Main St., Sackville

2:00 PM **SCIENCE HOUR**

Drop in and have some fun with Science! Ages 3-10.
Sackville Public Library, 66 Main St., Sackville

5:30 – 6:30 PM **DORCHESTER PICKLEBALL**

Give North America's fastest growing sport a try! Free. No experience necessary. Equipment provided. Ages 18+ only.
Dorchester Consolidated School, 18 Harrop Ave, Dorchester

6:30 PM **TOWN VS GOWN CHARITY HOCKEY GAME**

Take in the fast-paced action while the best hockey players Sackville and Mount Allison have to offer in support of the Sackville Food Bank. Plenty of children's activities and entertainment! Entry is one non-perishable food item per person. Sackville Minor Hockey will be selling 50/50 tickets.
Tantramar Veterans Memorial Civic Centre, 182 Main St., Sackville

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7

9:00 – 10:00 AM **PICK-UP HOCKEY**

Lace up your skates and enjoy some great hockey. Takes place Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. $8 drop-in.
Tantramar Veterans Memorial Civic Centre, 182 Main St., Sackville

10:00 AM – 5:00 PM **CRAFTS AND BUTTON MAKING**

Swing by the Library during their regular business hours (closed at noon for lunch) and make a button. For more information call 506-364-4915.
Sackville Public Library, 66 Main St., Sackville

11:00 AM – 1:00 PM **LEGION LUNCHEON**

Enjoy homemade beef stew and dessert. Only $20.00. The Crown of Winterfest will also be introduced!
Royal Canadian Legion Sackville Branch, 15 Lorne St., Sackville

SELF-GUIDED NATURE WALKS

Looking for something fun to do outside on your own time? Why not check out Nature NB's family friendly interpretive signage which can be found around the Waterfowl Park and Beech Hill Park. These signs are interactive, engaging, and a great way to get outside and connect with the beautiful nature that surrounds you. There is lots to discover in the wintertime!

7–14 FEBRUARY **THE SWEETEST LITTLE THING ART AUCTION**

The Sweetest Little Thing is the most important annual fundraising event for the Owens Art Gallery and Struts Gallery in Sackville, NB. Every dollar raised goes directly to supporting programming at both galleries. Visit sweetestlittlething.ca to bid online and learn about this year's event.

WINTER ACTION SHOT PHOTO CONTEST

Tag photos of you and your friends enjoying winter in Tantramar at #TantramarWI25 or e-mail your photo to j.wilson@TantramarNB.com before March 31, 2025. The winning photo will be featured in the 2026 Winterfest brochure.

WINTERFEST SNOW SCULPTURE CONTEST

Snap a photo of your best 2025 snow creation! Use #TantramarSnow25 on social media or e-mail your photo to j.wilson@TantramarNB.com before March 31, 2025. The winning photo will be featured in the 2026 Winterfest brochure.

2024 WINTERFEST CONTEST Winners!

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For more info on any of these activities, call 506-364-4958
www.TantramarNB.com/winterfest

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FEBRUARY 6-9, 2025

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ACTIVE LIVING & CULTURE

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7 (CONTINUED)

12:00 – 1:30 PM LUNCHTIME SKATE
Free as always! Helmets are mandatory on the ice.
Tantramar Veterans Memorial Civic Centre, 182 Main St., Sackville

1:00 – 3:00 PM PICKLEBALL
Give North America's fastest growing sport a try! $2.00. No experience necessary. Equipment provided. Ages 18+ only.
Mount Allison Athletics Centre, 59 York St., Sackville

2:00 – 4:00 PM FROSTY FROLIC
Frosty Frolic provides a fun-filled afternoon where guests can socialize in a festive setting. Featuring live music, dancing, delicious refreshments, and abundant laughter, this event reminds us that age is just a number when it comes to celebrating life's special moments together.
The Drew Nursing Home, 165 Main St., Sackville

5:00 – 9:00 PM MARDI GRAS!
Enjoy New Orleans classic cocktails and a Cajun-inspired menu.
Reservations at ducksarentreal@gmail.com.
Ducks aren't Real, 19 Bridge St., Sackville

5:30 – 6:30 PM DON BERNARD MAGIC SHOW
Amazing high-energy show with lots of audience participation. Perfect for children of all ages! Free! Doors open at 4:30 pm.
Church by the Lake, 14 Church St., Sackville

7:00 – 8:30 PM ICE SCULPTURE CREATION
Watch Ice Artist, Richard Chaisson, create another amazing and interactive piece! Bring your camera!
Bill Johnstone Memorial Park, Sackville

7:00 – 8:00 PM FROSTY OUTDOOR PARTY AND BBQ
Dance to the music, warm your hands at the campfire, compete in exciting competitions, buy some BBQ from Tantramar Scouts, and enjoy a hot chocolate by donation. BRING YOUR OWN MUG!
Bill Johnstone Memorial Park, Sackville

8:00 PM WINTERFEST FIREWORKS
Gather around and check out this quick and intense show, guaranteed to get your blood pumping!
Bill Johnstone Memorial Park, Sackville

7:30 PM MTA MUSIC FACULTY RECITAL: SONGS FOR GUITAR
Alexander Dobson (baritone), Christina Haldane (soprano), and Adam Cicchillitti (guitar) join forces to present a recital program that highlights the mesmerizing soundscape of voice and guitar. Robert Schumann's classic Dichterliebe is given new colours within this setting, alongside Benjamin Britten's Songs from the Chinese, Atlantic Canada based composer Jason Noble's Insomnia Songs, and jazz inspired songs by French composer Cyril Achard. Tickets may be purchased at the door: $15 adults; $10 seniors/students; free for MTA students with ID. For more information call 506-364-2374 or email music@mta.ca.
Brunton Auditorium, Marjorie Young Bell Conservatory of Music, Sackville

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8

7:00 – 11:00 AM FIREFIGHTER'S BREAKFAST
Enjoy a pancake and sausage breakfast with beans, toast coffee/tea and juice. The cost is $10.00 per person children under 6 eat free.
Sackville Fire Department, 31 Main St., Sackville

8:00 – 11:00 AM COMMUNITY BREAKFAST
Greater Dorchester Moving Forward is hosting a community breakfast in the Station 8 Community Food Hub! There will be all the breakfast favourites like pancakes, eggs, sausages, and more! Tickets are $12 for adults, or $7 for kids 12 and under. Seating's will be at 8, 9 and 10am so be sure to buy your ticket soon to get your preferred time slot! To-go options available. Email programs@station8nb.ca for more info.
Station 8, 8 Station Rd., Dorchester

9:00 AM – NOON SACKVILLE FARMERS MARKET
Visit the winter market for local produce, meat, and other goods.
18 Lorne St., Sackville

10:00 AM – 12:00 PM & 1:00 – 5:00 PM
WINTERFEST AT THE DORCHESTER MEMORIAL PUBLIC LIBRARY
Take a break from the cold! Drop in during the library's open hours to make a fun winter-themed bookmark! Children of all ages can take part.
3516 Cape Rd., Dorchester

10:00 AM – 12:00 PM SNOW DECORATING AND CRAFTS
Transform the outdoor space by decorating the snow with vibrant designs (colored spray bottles provided by the Drew) as residents enjoy the view from inside. If you don't like the cold come indoors with the residents to engage in fun snow-themed sensory activities or create a winter-inspired craft.
The Drew Nursing Home, 165 Main St., Sackville

10:30 AM WINTER THEMED STORY-TIME
The Sackville Library is hosting a winter-themed story time!
Sackville Public Library, 66 Main St., Sackville

11:00 AM WINTER GUIDED HIKE
Lace up your boots and join Greater Dorchester Moving Forward for a delightful all-ages trails walk! All are welcome to join the trail committee for a scenic winter walk through one of our well-loved trails! The adventure concludes with a cozy hot chocolate and bonfire at the finish line. Meet at Richard Park in Dorchester. Remember to dress for the weather!
Richard Park, Corner of Dorchester Cape Rd. and School St., Dorchester

11:30 AM – 1:00 PM OUTDOOR SKATE
Enjoy a skate in the great outdoors, with music, hot chocolate served up by the local RCMP, and more!
Dorchester Outdoor Rink, 11 School St., Dorchester

1:00 – 3:00 PM FAMILY DAY AT BEECH HILL PARK
Join us for an exciting afternoon of winter activities including wagon rides, sledding, snowshoeing, snow sculpture building, a free BBQ, and Maple Candy on the Snow. Hot Chocolate by donation. BRING YOUR OWN MUG!
Beech Hill Park, Hwy 2, Exit 500, Sackville

1:00 – 3:00 PM CURLING CLUB OPEN HOUSE
The Sackville Curling Club is hosting an Open House where you can try curling or enjoy watching some of their members play. The Banquet Hall will feature some of the diverse groups that use the space. Winter is a great time to be active and meet new people, stop by for an apple cider or hot chocolate!
Sackville Curling Club, 22 Lansdowne St., Sackville

2:00 – 4:00 PM VALENTINE CARD MAKING
Drop into the Sackville Library to create some Valentine's Cards for the special people in your life!
Sackville Public Library, 66 Main St., Sackville

2:00 – 4:00 PM FREE FAMILY SWIM
Missing the hotter months? Go for a dip at the MtA pool on us!
Mount Allison Athletics Centre Pool 58 York St., Sackville

5:00 – 7:00 PM EVENING SNOWSHOE
A guided evening snowshoe outing hosted by the Tantramar Outdoor Club. Come enjoy the magic of the evening woods. Meet at Walker Rd reservoir gate and enjoy a campfire at the warming hut. Bring at hot drink and a flashlight or headlamp if you have them. Pre-register at www.TantramarNB.com/winterfest before February 8th.
Walker Road Trails, Exit 500, Highway 2, Sackville

5:00 – 9:00 PM MARDI GRAS!
Enjoy New Orleans classic cocktails and a Cajun-inspired menu.
Reservations at ducksarentreal@gmail.com.
Ducks aren't Real, 19 Bridge St., Sackville

7:00 PM WINTER JAZZ IN THE PARLOUR
Presented by Retro Kissed Events
Warm up in the Parlour Room this Winterfest and join us for an intimate evening of jazz, modern blues and ballads. $15 at door. Doors open at 6:00pm. Limited seating and tickets available. More info at www.Retrokissedevents.ca
Cranewood on Main, 113 Main St., Sackville

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9

1:00 PM FIGURE SKATING PRODUCTION
Magic mirror on the wall, who has the best ice show of all? SACKVILLE SKATING CLUB! Everyone loves a hero! That's certainly true, but sometimes playing bad guy or gal is fun too! Come watch our skaters, ages 3 and up, try to sway your preference on good or bad, hero or villain. Let them enchant you with an afternoon of magical music and marvellous skating. So get up, up and away to the TVMCC, bring your friends, bring your enemies, bring a donation for the Sackville Food bank! Entry is $5 for adults, $3 for children under 12 or $15 for a family of 4!
Tantramar Veterans Memorial Civic Centre, 182 Main St.

2:00 – 4:00 PM FREE FAMILY SWIM
Missing the hotter months? Go for a dip at the MtA pool on us!
Mount Allison Athletics Centre Pool 58 York St.

2:00 – 4:00 PM INDOOR SNOWBALL FIGHT
An indoor snowball fight is a playful and exciting activity where participants throw soft, faux snowballs at each other within the comfort of an indoor space. The snowballs are made of plush, squishy material, designed to be safe for indoor play. Individuals launch the soft snowballs, dodging, and ducking behind furniture or makeshift barriers. It's a fun and energetic way to experience the thrill of a snowball fight, without the chill of the outdoors! After the fun, we will be offering hot chocolate and cookies to unwind and socialize. This cozy refreshment station encourages guests to mingle, share a laugh, and savor the simple joys of the moment, leaving everyone with a feeling of contentment after the event.
The Drew Nursing Home, 165 Main St., Sackville

3:00 – 4:45 PM WINTERFEST FOODBANK SKATE
Bring a non-perishable food item for the Sackville Food Bank and enjoy a skate with the entire family!
Helmets mandatory on the ice.
Tantramar Veterans Memorial Civic Centre, 182 Main St.

4:30 – 11:30 PM SUPER BOWL 2025 PARTY
Everyone welcome! Come out and cheer on the teams or just catch up with friends as we have fun together. All the pizza, garlic fingers and pop you can eat! (Bring a side for all to share if so inclined.) Stay for some or all of the game.
Church by the Lake, 14 Church St., Sackville



















Important Upcoming Dates

Winterfest
February 6-9, 2025
Taking place throughout Tantramar!

Regular Council Meeting
Tuesday, February 4, 2025 - 7:00 PM
Municipal Office, Council Chambers
31c Main Street, Sackville, NB

MtA Music: Chapel Collegium
Wednesday, February 5, 2025 - 4:00 PM
Mount Allison University Chapel
63b York Street, Sackville, NB

Blood Donation Event – Canadian Blood Services
Wednesday, February 5, 2025 - 1:00 PM - 8:30 PM
Tantramar Veterans Memorial Civic Centre
182 Main Street, Sackville, NB

The Sweetest Little Thing
Friday, February 14, 2025 - 7:00 PM
Owens Art Gallery
61 York Street, Sackville, NB

Touch a Truck and Family Fun Fair
Monday, February 17, 2025 - 2:00 PM

Dorchester Consolidated School
18 Harrop Ave, Dorchester, NB

Committee of the Whole Council Meeting
Monday, February 24, 2025 - 3:00 PM
Municipal Office, Council Chambers
31c Main Street, Sackville, NB

Dates and meetings are changing frequently.
Please visit the Community Events Calendar for the latest updates.

Municipal News

Important Changes to Waste Pickup in Tantramar!

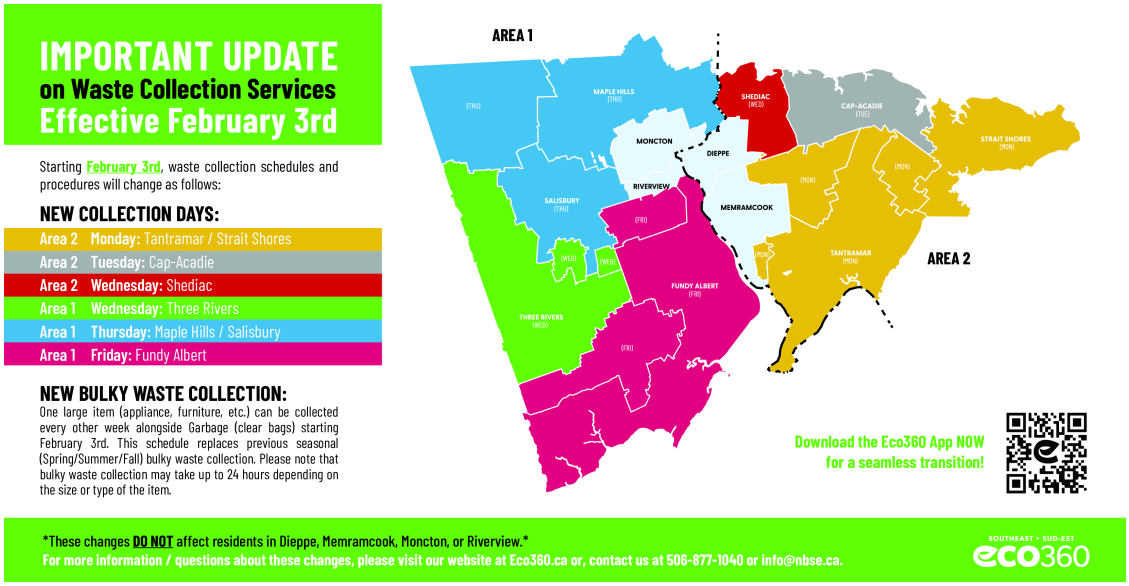
All waste collection in Tantramar will now happen on Mondays only.

Alternating Weeks for bags – continue current practice:
🟦 Blue Bags – Every second week.
🟡 Clear Bags – Alternates with Blue Bag weeks and can place a bulky item (see below).
♻️ Green Bags (Organics): Collected every week.
If you miss your collection day, there will be no pickups Tuesday through Friday, so plan ahead!

Bulky Item Collection
No more spring and fall clean-ups. Instead, you can now place 1 bulky item out for pickup on CLEAR BAG collection weeks.
What's allowed: Same rules as previous bulk clean-ups.
For a full sorting guide, visit **Eco360**.

If you have any issues with your waste collection or questions, please contact (506) 877-1040 or info@nbse.ca or check their website **https://bit.ly/3DUjanI**

You can also download the Eco360 app for a seamless transition!



Recognizing Black History Month in Tantramar

February is **Black History Month**, a time to celebrate the rich heritage, achievements, and contributions of **Black Canadians** in our communities and

across the country. It is also an opportunity to reflect on the importance of **equity, inclusion, and ongoing efforts toward racial justice**.

In Tantramar, we recognize the stories and accomplishments of Black residents, past and present, who have shaped our region. Throughout the month, various organizations, including **Mount Allison University**, will be hosting events and discussions to honour Black history and culture.

We encourage everyone to take part, learn, and engage in meaningful conversations. For more information on Black History Month in Canada, visit **canada.ca/black-history-month**.

Dog Tags in Tantramar

Have you purchased your Dog Tag for 2025?



Having your bestest furry friends registered with a Dog Tag will help reunite lost pets with their owners, provide important medical information, and even deter potential thieves.

Sackville residents can purchase their dog tags at Municipal Office, 31c Main Street, Sackville, New Brunswick.

Dorchester can purchase their dog tags online.

Sackville Winter Overnight Parking Ban Reminder

The Sackville Overnight Winter Parking Ban will be in effect until May 1, 2025.

Hours: 1:00 AM to 6:00 AM daily.

Applies to streets and municipal parking lots. Vehicles parked during these hours may be ticketed and towed to ensure efficient snow clearing and ice control. Additionally, vehicles obstructing snow clearing operations may face fines and risk damage. Let's work together to keep our streets safe and accessible this winter.



Think before you park—it helps everyone!

Thank you for your cooperation, and let's make this a smooth and safe winter season.

Public Session on Housing









On **January 18, 2025**, the Municipality of Tantramar hosted a **Public Session on Housing**, bringing together residents, stakeholders, and government representatives for important discussions on housing challenges and opportunities in our region. **New Brunswick Housing Minister David Hickey**

attended the session, engaging with community members and offering insights into provincial housing initiatives.

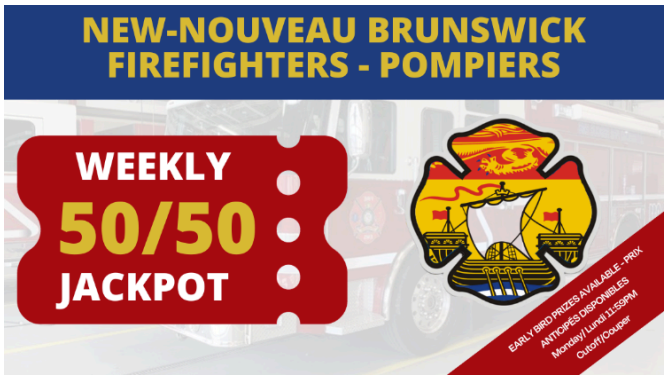
The event provided a platform for residents to share concerns, ask questions, and contribute ideas toward solutions for affordable and accessible housing in Tantramar. The feedback gathered is now being organized to help guide future housing strategies.

Thank you to everyone who attended and contributed to this meaningful conversation. Stay tuned for more updates as we continue working toward housing solutions for our community.

Touch a Truck and Family Fun Fair!



Support the Tantramar Fire Service with the 50/50 Raffle!



Active Living and Culture

All participants are required to wear a CSA-approved helmet while on the ice. This includes everyone—from public skates to hockey practices and games.

Why? Your safety is our top priority. This rule has been implemented to ensure a safer experience for all, reducing the risk of injury.
Please Note: This rule will be strictly enforced. Anyone not wearing a helmet will be asked to leave the ice. Let's work together to keep our rinks safe and enjoyable for everyone!

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.





Recreation Programs

Mount Allison Gymnasium Pickleball
Beginning September 16th, 2024
Tuesdays & Thursdays
9:00 AM–12:00 PM
Fridays
1:00 PM–3:00 PM
($2 drop in fee)

Evening Pickleball - Salem School
Salem School
Monday and Wednesdays
8:00 PM–10:00 PM
Free

Dorchester Rec Nights
Dorchester Consolidated School
Mondays - Pickleball and Badminton
5:30 PM–6:30 PM
Tuesdays - Basketball
5:30 PM–6:30 PM
Thursdays - Pickleball
5:30 PM–6:30 PM

For full details or to register for any of the above programs, please visit tantramarnb.com/programs.
For other community recreational opportunities in Tantramar, please visit tantramarnb.com/calendar

Council Updates

Council Highlights – Committee of the Whole Meeting, January 27, 2025

Council Highlights provide a brief overview of the recent Committee of the Whole meeting. For complete details, please refer to the official minutes, which will be available after the upcoming Regular Council Meeting.

As no decisions are made during the Committee of the Whole, these discussions shape future Council actions and advance our community.

Agenda
Council Package

Public Hearings

Minimum Dwelling Size
A public hearing was held regarding a proposed text amendment to the Town of Sackville Zoning By-Law that would update the minimum dwelling size requirement to a 400 sq. ft. area standard rather than a fixed length and width. A letter of support was received, and there were no public comments for or against the amendment. First and second readings will be considered at the February 4, 2025, Regular Council Meeting.

Rezoning Request – Kirk Street
Council held a public hearing regarding a rezoning request for properties on Kirk Street from R1 (low-density residential) to R2 (medium-density residential) to allow for the construction of up to five vertically attached dwelling units. No public comments were received. First and second readings will be considered at the February 4, 2025, Regular Council Meeting.

Project Updates and Reports

CSC Health Care Centre of Excellence
Council received an update on the Health Centre of Excellence project at the Dorchester Penitentiary. A Public Advisory Committee will be formed to provide input on the development. Residents interested in learning more can visit: Public Advisory Group.

Climate Change Advisory Committee (CCAC) – Year-End Report
The CCAC presented its 2024 Year-End Report, outlining key accomplishments and areas for future focus. The committee also sought guidance from Council on setting priorities for 2025. The full report is available here.

Council Discussions and Directions

Proposed By-Laws: Vegetative Growth and Animal Control: Council reviewed two proposed by-laws that will be considered for first reading at the upcoming Regular Council Meeting.

- **By-Law No. 2025-17 –** Vegetative Growth: Establishes regulations for managing vegetative growth within Tantramar.

- **By-Law No. 2025-18 –** Animal Control: Updates regulations related to pet ownership and animal-related concerns.

Draft versions of both by-laws are available here.

Economic Development Incentive Program
Council discussed two applications under the Economic Development Incentive Program, including one for York Street and Ford Lane and another for Walker Road. The program aims to encourage local business growth and infrastructure development.

Community Development Grants
Council reviewed applications for Community Development Grants. The 2025 Operational Budget includes $137,500 in funding for community grants to be awarded to groups and organizations who do great work for our community.

Civic Centre Compressor Overhaul
Council reviewed the upcoming overhaul of Compressor #1 at the Tantramar Veterans Memorial Civic Centre. The compressor, which maintains the ice, requires a major overhaul every 12,000 hours (approximately every three years). Council will consider awarding the overhaul work at the next Regular Council Meeting.

Energy Audit Report
Staff provided an overview of the 2024 Energy Audit, which assessed energy consumption at three of Tantramar's largest municipal facilities. The full report is available here.

Dorchester Fire Department Equipment
Council discussed the need for new bunker gear and self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) for the Dorchester Fire Department to ensure firefighter safety. The purchase, which will be considered at the next Regular Council Meeting, enhances service delivery across Tantramar Fire Services by ensuring equipment compatibility between departments.

Additionally, the new bunker gear is PFAS-free, making this an important investment in both firefighter safety and environmental responsibility. This

transition aligns with best practices in fire service equipment and reflects a commitment to health-conscious and sustainable gear for first responders.

Municipal Staffing Update

1. CAO Jennifer Borne welcomed two new employees to the Municipality of Tantramar.

- **Ryan Doncaster** – Heavy Equipment Operator (Start Date: January 6, 2025)
- **Jamie Ferguson** – Manager of Active Living and Culture (Start Date: February 18, 2025)

Stay Updated: Join us for the next Regular Council Meeting on Tuesday, February 4, 2025, at 7:00 PM in person or via live stream on our YouTube Channel to stay engaged with municipal progress and decisions.

Missed the last council meeting? Catch up here! Don't forget to subscribe to our YouTube channel for live streams and updates.

Information From Community Police Officer - Melanie Belliveau





"Lock it or Lose it" – Is a campaign that is aimed to give awareness to the public on vehicle theft and how to prevent it from happening.

The goal is to teach everyone to always secure their belongings and reduce the risk of becoming a victim of crime.

This crime prevention program can be done by doing spot checks in which officers check parked vehicles to ensure they are locked and valuables are out of sight. Drivers are given notices if their vehicle is unlocked.

Theft Prevention Tips

Always lock all of your vehicle's doors and windows after entering and exiting.

leave your vehicle unattended with the engine running, even for a few seconds. Turn off the ignition and take the keys with you.

Never hide a spare key in your car or outside your residence.
Never leave personal identification or valuables in your vehicle such as wallets, purses, credit cards and shopping bags. Remove accessories from view when not in your vehicle.

Remember to do the following to reduce the risk of having items stolen.

Park in a busy ,well-lit area.

Report suspicious activity
Important Numbers
Emergency: 9-1-1
Non- Emergency: 1-888-506-7267 (**RCMP**)

Community Submissions

Celebrating 10 Years of the Sackville Rotary Gold Mine Draw!

The **Sackville Rotary Club** is marking an incredible milestone—**10 years** of the **Gold Mine Toonie Draw!** Since its launch on **February 14, 2015**, the draw has brought the community together in a fun and impactful way, raising **over $1 million** through toonies collected at local drop-off locations.

What does that mean for our community?

- **$505,664** awarded to lucky winners over the years
- **Over $500,000** given back to **local charities and organizations**
- Contributions to projects such as the **water fountain in the park, walkways in the Waterfowl Park, and enhancements at Lila Fawcett Park.**

The Sackville Rotary Club has **operated this fundraiser entirely through volunteers**, ensuring that funds raised go directly back into our community. Even through the challenges of COVID-19, the Gold Mine draw remained a consistent and vital way to support local causes.

We extend a huge **thank you** to the Rotary Club and all the volunteers who have made this initiative such a success. Your dedication has made a lasting impact on Tantramar, and we look forward to seeing the great work that continues in the years ahead!

To participate in the Gold Mine lottery, visit one of the participating retailers. For more information about the Rotary Club of Sackville and the Gold Mine, visit their website at https://sackvillerotary.ca.

To request funding for a project, email the projects committee at funding@sackvillerotarygoldmine.ca with details about your project.

Dorchester Moving Forward

Winterfest Community Breakfast
On Feb 8th, 8am - 11am Moving Forward is hosting a community breakfast in the Station8 Community Food Hub! There will be all the breakfast favorites like pancakes, eggs, sausages, and more! Tickets are $12 for adults, or $7 for kids 12 and under. Seating's will be at 8, 9, and 10am so be sure to buy your ticket soon to get your preferred time slot! To-go options available. Email programs@station8nb.ca for more info.

Trails Walk
If you've been curious about checking out more local trails but didn't know where to start, join Moving Forward's trails committee Feb.8th for a guided winter walk right here in Dorchester and get the chance to learn more about the best walking and hiking spots in the area from their enthusiastic team who frequent them all! The walk will take the Richard Park and Racetrack loop trails, followed by a bonfire and hot chocolate! This is suitable for all-ages and dogs are encouraged! Meetup at Richard Park at 11:00am.

Indian Cuisine Teaching Kitchen

In case you missed it the first time around, Ramina Nikesh is back by popular demand to lead participants through how to prepare a few more authentic Indian dishes! Whether you're a seasoned chef or just love good food, this hands-on session will teach you how to create dishes bursting with rich and bold flavours! The class will be held at the Station8 Community Food Hub on Feb.26th, 6:30-8:30 PM. $15 to register and spots are limited, so email programs@station8nb.ca to secure your seat soon!

Call for Volunteers

Are you passionate about making a difference in your community? The Moving Forward Co-op is looking to grow their volunteer database! They are seeking dependable and experienced volunteers to support various programs, including food security initiatives, trails development, and community-building events. Currently volunteer opportunities include drivers for food donation pickups, food donation sorting volunteers, special events support, trails committee members, and more! For more details, check out the 'Get Involved' page on their website at www.station8nb.ca/get-involved.

Free UNB Legal Clinic

The FREE UNB Legal Clinic is going virtual for the winter and will be taking clients on Friday, February 28th, 9:00AM to 3:00PM. The UNB Legal Clinic is a valuable resource that provides legal services to individuals who cannot afford legal representation and do not meet the criteria for legal aid. The clinic offers assistance in various legal matters, to find out more or make an appointment, call 506-452-6313. If you require assistance doing the clinic virtually, please email programs@station8nb.ca to arrange for a private meeting space and/or the technology required for virtual meetings.

Canadian Dental Care Plan



The Canadian Dental Care Plan (CDCP) is here to help make dental care more accessible and affordable.

Tantramar Adult Learning Centre - Adult Upgrading and CAEC Preparation

SOUTH EAST
ADULT EDUCATION

Reading, Writing, Mathematics, Social Studies, and Science

New Students welcome - start any time!
Study with the help of a teacher at your own pace and schedule.

For further information:
Call: (506) 857-9912
Email: info@education-se.ca

The Sackville Farmers Market

The Sackville Farmers Market invites you to an evening of films and discussions on local organic farming. Depth of Field is a series of short documentaries presented by the National Farmers Union which showcase Canadian farmers and their sustainable practices on and off the land. Following the screening there will be a panel discussion featuring some of the farmers from the series. Join us March 5th at 6:30pm in Room M14 of the Crabtree Building on the Mount Allison University campus- admission is free, but donations are welcome. For more information please visit us at sackvillefarmersmarket.ca.

Visit the Sackville Farmers Market from 9am - 12pm Saturday mornings at 18 Lorne Street for farm fresh organic produce, local eggs, honey, meats and seafoods, plus delicious prepared foods and beautifully hand-crafted gifts. For more details on vendors and information about the market, please visit sackvillefarmersmarket.ca or follow us on Facebook and Instagram @sackvillefarmersmarket.

Poet Laureate - Laura Katherine Watson

Winter Spell

Winter is the season for witchcraft.

We begin with little, superstitious rituals,
odd habits that serve no function;
we carve faces into pumpkins
and roast oranges in our ovens,
hoping it will hold back the dark.
It doesn't.

We set up camp in our bedrooms and kitchens.
We huddle around the kettle
as the cold closes in.

Let me offer this spell of flour and sugar,
passed down by my mother
and her mother before her,
a spell that will not bring back
your lost loved ones.
Beat in one egg and half a cup of butter.

Maybe if I'm prepared to be visited by spirits,
maybe if I make my ritual offerings
to my in-laws in time,
maybe if I cut evergreen branches
like a beloved's
lock of hair and arrange them

And as the walls inch inwards,
we tell our own fortunes,
story our grand, expansive
futures.

in exactly the right formation,
maybe the cold will stay outside,
maybe the snow won't bury us like
the dead,
maybe something, something
makes it out of here alive.



WRITERS' OPEN MIC

The Writers' Open Mic is a free monthly event open to all. Come out and read your poems, short stories, comics, novels, essays, twitter posts, stand-up comedy, etc. Or just come to listen.

A projector will be set up for those with comics or other images or videos they want to share. Just bring your files along on a USB. Accessibility concerns and general questions can be directed to laurawatsonartwork@gmail.com.

Sunday, February 9th
3:00 PM - 4:00 PM
Bill Johnstone Memorial Park Activity Centre
70 Main Street, Sackville, NB

Zoomers in Balance

Zoomers in balance! Zoomers en équilibre!

=Winter 2025=

Join this FREE program and improve your balance!



WHERE: Veterans Community Hall, Dorchester
WHEN: Tuesday and Thursday
04:30 - 05:30 PM
from January 14th until April 3rd, 2025.



Benefits:

- Participate in a free exercise class.
- Meet peers in your community.
- Learn how to improve your balance and reduce the risk of falls!

You are eligible if you:

- Are 50 years of age or older.
- Can exercise with minimal supervision.
- Can commit to a 12-week exercise program up to 3x/week.

Email:
contact@zoomersinfo.ca

Website:
www.zoomersinfo.ca

REGISTER HERE
https://forms.gle/648YjJJdXTNZiNMC6

Trauma NB | MEDAVIE | CIHR IRSC Canadian Institutes of Health Research / Instituts de recherche en santé du Canada | UNB ST. THOMAS UNIVERSITY OF NEW BRUNSWICK | Cardiometabolic Exercise and Lifestyle Lab

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Mounties Women's Hockey Schedule



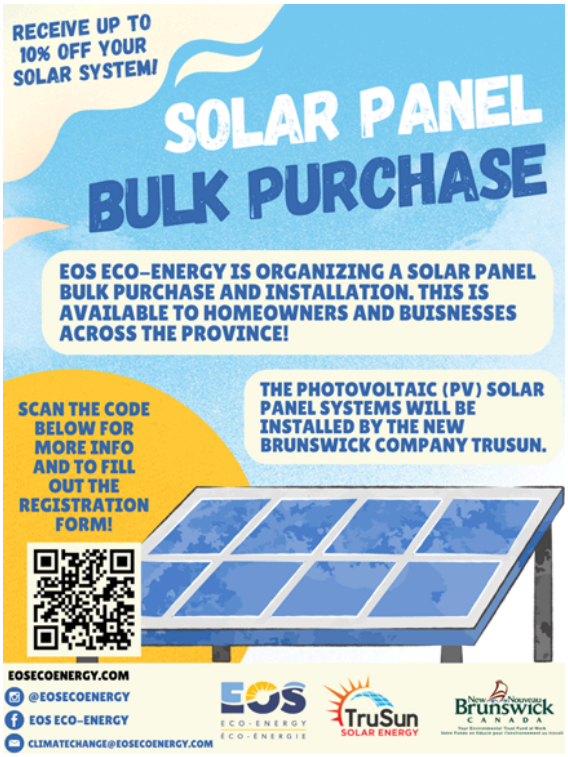
EOS Eco-Energy



Free Home Flood Risk Assessments: EOS is looking forward to offering additional free home flood risk assessments to home owners across southeastern New Brunswick! Sign up today for an appointment with EOS staff to survey the outside and basement of your household to identify tangible flood mitigation strategies. To all participants, $100 rebate will be offered (while funds are available) to contribute to home flood mitigation actions following the report.

Schedule your appointment today!

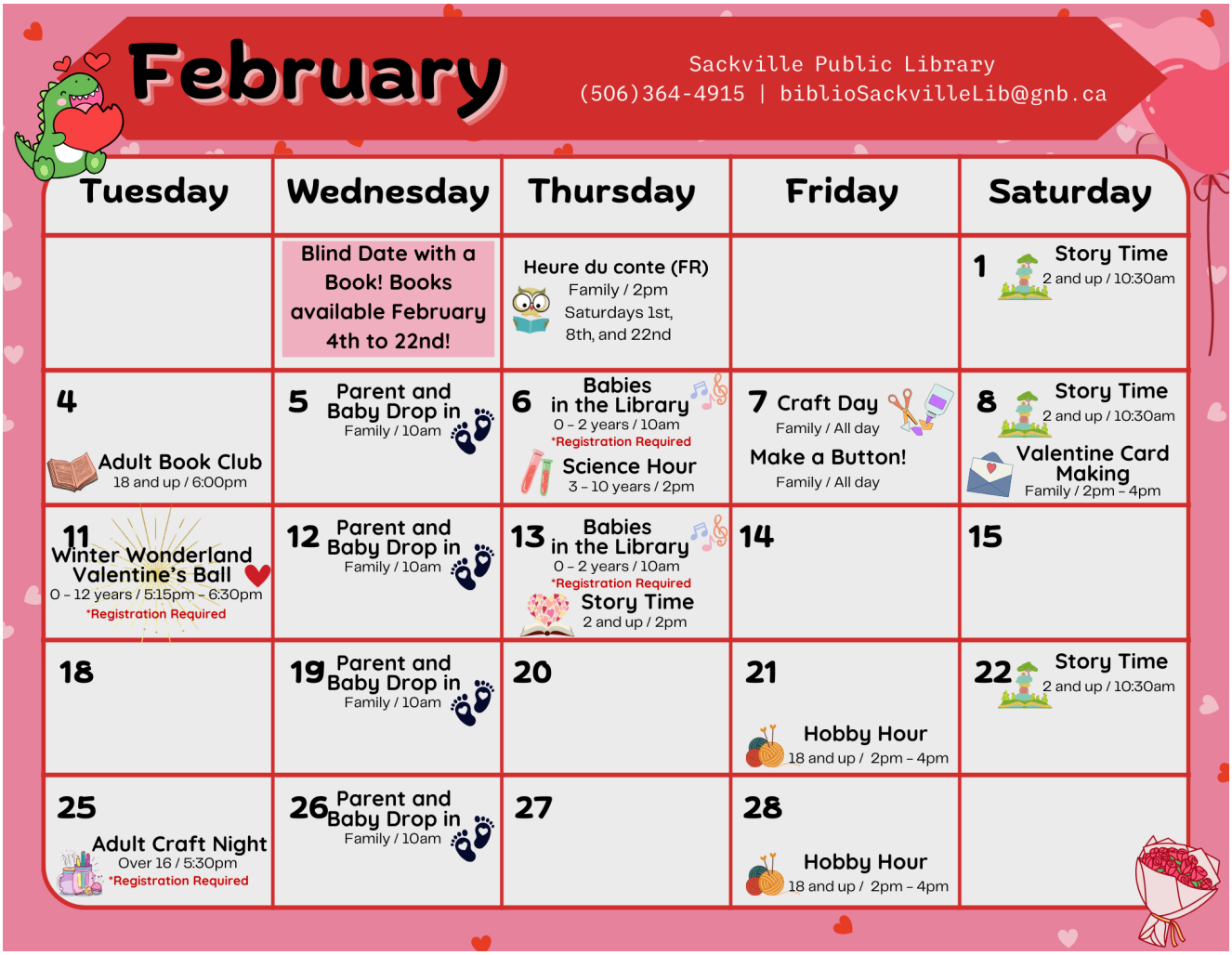
Solar panel bulk purchase 2024 – EOS is currently gathering participants for this year's solar panel bulk purchase from TruSun Solar Energy. Located in Beresford, New Brunswick, Trusun(www.trusun.ca) is a bilingual solar panel installer and founding member of Green Economy New Brunswick. TruSun offers systems tailored to all needs, from small off-grid installations to industrial setups, and their team will support you from project inception to final connection. This bulk purchase can help people get up to 10% discount on a solar array, and any home, business or municipality located in New Brunswick can participate! For more information, please fill out this form and you will be contacted soon.



Tantramar Community Association



Sackville Public Library



Tantramar Heritage Trust



A HERITAGE DAY PRESENTATION BY THE TANTRAMAR HERITAGE TRUST

Saturday, February 15, 2025, 2 p.m.
Council Chambers, Tantramar Town Hall, 31 Main St., Sackville, NB

Before the Quarry Park opens officially, learn about the history of this remarkable place from Paul Bogaard.

Everyone is welcome. A reception with light refreshments will follow.

For more information, email tantramarheritage@gmail.com or call 506-536-2541.

Presented in partnership with the Municipality of Tantramar.

Sackville Rod and Gun Club



FEBRUARY 15

SILVER LAKE

9am-11:30am

The Sackville Rod and Gun Club is holding a youth ice fishing day at Silver Lake (Morice Pond).
The event will be held from 9am-11:30am.

Fifty children between the ages of 5 and 18 will be pre-registered.
Equipment and bait will be provided for these children to ice fish this event.
Parents must stay with children under the age of 13.
Participants should dress according to the weather, and layers are recommended.
There will be a warming tent and refreshments (hotdogs, fries, chili, and hot chocolate).

* This event will be subject to ice and weather conditions as safety is a primary consideration for us. *
Any cancellations will be communicated through our social media, email, and website.

There is **no cost** to participants, but **pre-registration is required**. Registration begins **February 1st**.

To register, please contact **Paul and Shirley Branscombe at 506-536-3539**.

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Main Street Cafe



Marshlight Theatre Company



Food Security Action Group serving Tantramar & Strait Shores



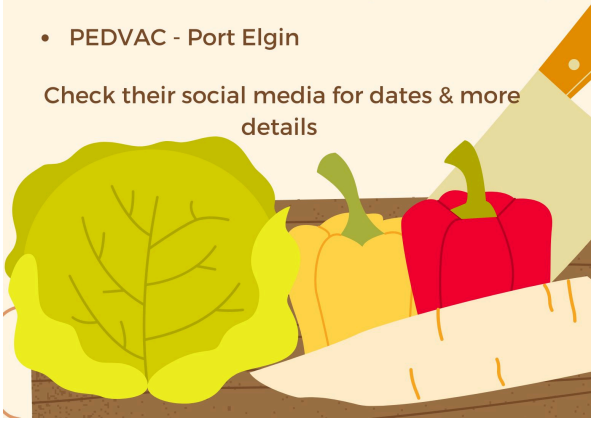
Come cook a new recipe together!

TEACHING KITCHENS!

Hosted in our communities by...

- Greater Dorchester Moving Forward Co-Op
- PEDVAC - Port Elgin

Check their social media for dates & more details





COMMUNITY FOOD BANKS

SACKVILLE

5 Willow Lane
2x/month
Tues 6:30-7:30pm, Wed 9-11am
506-536-4164;
https://sackvillefoodbank.ca/

DORCHESTER

11 School St.
2x/month
2nd & 4th Tues 9am-2pm
506-379-6232

PORT ELGIN

12 Church St.
2x/month
Wed - Fri 10am-3pm by appt.
506-538-7638; https://www.pedvac.org

(If unsure, call to find the foodbank serving your community)



FREE COMMUNITY MEALS

FOR EVERYONE!

Alternating Lunch or Supper at Main St Café, 2nd Tuesday of every month at 20 Main Street, Sackville.
Call **506-939-2276** to confirm time

Lunch'N'Learn at Greater Dorchester Moving Forward.
Contact **programs@station8nb.ca** for date and time

FOR THOSE 60+!

Lunch'N'Learn at Baie Verte Seniors Centre. Call Nursing Homes Without Walls to register **506-538-1904**

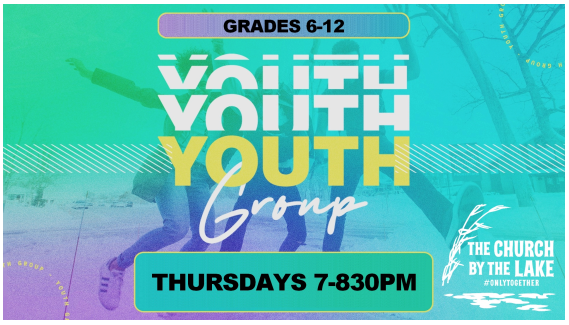




Church by the Lake

OVERflow STUDENT MINISTRY









Motyer-Fancy Theatre



Motyer-Fancy Theatre presents: VICTOR '25 by Alex Fancy and Tintamarre
Directed by Alex Fancy
February 5-8 | 7:30pm
PWYC Preview Tuesday February 4
Running time: 70 minutes (comedy, one act)
Mount Allison University

Family Night at One, Harmony Lane. Two well-to-do non-binary parents, their precocious child, and their laid-back cat gather on Family Night in front of the Stargazer, a gigantic home theatre, to watch a 1927 surrealist comedy about Victor, a very badass child who does not want to live in his parents' hypocritical world. The shocking, dreamlike evening is revealing for young Max, disturbing and by moments nightmarish for the parents.

But all is well that ends well, and Tintamarre's VICTOR '25 is a celebration of comedy as a way of looking at our world in 2025.

Tintamarre is Mount Allison University long-running bilingual theatre troupe! All audiences welcome.

Tickets and show info at Eventbrite

Sackville Memorial Hospital Auxiliary

This year marks 80 years that the Sackville Memorial Hospital Auxiliary has raised money in support of the Tantramar area.

Follow us on Facebook to get all of the upcoming events (TBA).

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Horizon Health Network

ONE-AT-A-TIME THERAPY

A service providing quick access to a **one-time, personalized, private, safe, and FREE** counselling session for those who wish to talk to a trained counselor about mental health and/or addiction.

If you are concerned about your mental health or an addiction issue **we can help.**

Open to all ages.

To book an appointment or to learn more about One-at-a-Time Therapy, please call:

506-856-2444

If you are in crisis and/or need immediate support, please call:

CHIMO Crisis Helpline:	1-800-667-5005
Kids Help Phone:	1-800-668-6868
Hope for Wellness Helpline (Support for Indigenous People):	1-855-242-3310
Local Emergency Services:	911

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Dorchester Consolidated School



Dorchester Consolidated School is seeking donations of skates and helmets for use in our outdoor rink. This rink is an integral part of our physical education program and a cherished annual tradition for all students.

Unfortunately, sourcing skates can be challenging, and we need your help to keep this tradition alive! Donations of skates or helmets can be dropped off directly at the school during regular school hours.

If you have any questions, please contact our Community Schools Coordinator, Jessie Brown, at Jessie.Brown@nbed.nb.ca.

Thank you for supporting our students and their love for outdoor activities!

Wysmykal Farm

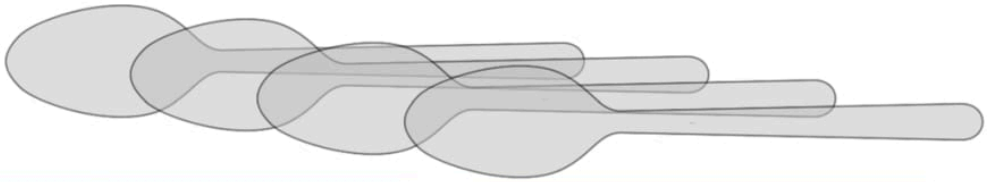
Wysmykal Farm will be selling organic vegetables at the Sackville Farmers Market on Saturday mornings. Wysmykal Farm offers online ordering and home delivery of vegetables in the Tantramar area. https://wysmykalfarm.ca

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Salem Breakfast Program

SPOONS FOR SALEM

BREAKFAST PROGRAM



The **Salem Breakfast Program** operates every school day and offers a selection of healthy foods to **all Salem students** as they get to school and prepare for the school day.

In an effort to cut down on waste and lower our costs, we want to **switch from using plastic disposable spoons** to **reusable metal spoons**, so we're asking for **spoon donations** to build up our supply.

If you have **1, 2 or more metal spoons you'd like to donate**, please send them with your student to school – every classroom will have a collection bin. Or contact the Breakfast Program coordinator listed below to arrange pick up.

The Salem Breakfast Program is able to operate thanks to

- ✓ **food donations from the Food Depot Alimentaire**
- ✓ **financial donations through the Breakfast Club of Canada and local supporters,**
- ✓ **and time and energy donations from our dedicated group of volunteers.**

If you'd like to volunteer with this program, please contact the coordinator listed below. Volunteering in the school involves a 7:30-8:30 am time commitment one day a week, but there are ways to help outside these hours if you'd like to be a part of this program.

For more information, contact: Kathy Treash
kathy0321@yahoo.com
or through Messenger

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The Salem School Breakfast Program is looking for volunteers! Parents, grandparents, community members...if you'd like to spend a little time one morning a week greeting the students of Salem Elementary School and helping to provide them with a healthy start to their day, we'd love to have you as a part of our volunteer team. We offer a variety of food choices to all the students of Salem

School on every school morning, to ensure no students are starting their learning day hungry. The commitment for volunteers is approximately 7:15-8:30am on your chosen weekday. If this sounds like something you would be interested in, please email Kathy Treash at kathy0321@yahoo.com

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Upcoming Municipal Office Meetings

Regular Council Meeting: Tuesday, February 4, 2025 @ 7:00 PM
Committee of the Whole Meeting: Monday, February 24, 2025 @ 3:00 PM

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