

OBITUARIES

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HECKBERT, David W. — Age 74, of Ward's Brook, and formerly of Oshawa, Ont. passed away Saturday, January 6, 2018 at the Cumberland Regional Health Care Centre, Upper Nappan. Born in Indian River, PEI, he was a son of the late Wilfred and Rose (McGinnis) Heckbert. He is survived by sons, Alan Heckbert, Parrsboro; Glenn Dowe (Pat), Kingston, Ont.; sisters, Marjorie MacDonald, Sudbury, Ont.; Josephine Comeau (Joseph), Medicine Hat, Alta.; Eleanor Gaudet, Lethbridge, Alta.; Marion McGee (Wayne), Medicine Hat, Alta.; brothers, Les (Michelle), Medicine Hat, Alta.; Edward (Denise), Oshawa, Ont.; William, Calgary, Alta.; Leonard (Marilyn), Medicine Hat, Alta.; Ronald (Shelly), Brooks, Alta.; seven grandchildren, Chris, Erin, Jamie, Rebecca, Rachel, Jessica, Jennifer; several great grandchildren; numerous nieces and nephews. He is predeceased by his wife, Nora (Nuttall) in 1994; a sister, Lillian. Funeral service was held January 12, 2018 at Smith's Funeral Home, Parrsboro. Burial in the Apple River Cemetery at a later date. Memorial donations may be made to a charity of choice. Online condolences at www.smithsfuneralhome.com

WORKS, Allan "Bud" Cameron — 79, East Mountain, passed away January 10, 2018 at home after fighting cancer the way he lived life — with a positive attitude and without complaint. He was born in Truro Heights on September 1, 1938 to the late Clarence and Gwen (Hughes) Works. Bud worked as a truck driver, mechanic and for 24 years with Domtar/Stella Jones before retiring 20 years ago. Being a father made Bud happy and he loved his girls. Being a grandfather put him over the moon and each and every grandchild held a special place in his heart. Nothing made him happier than family gatherings on the mountain. He is survived by his wife of almost 61 years, Dorothy (Stewart); five daughters, Jeannie (Brian) Stewart, Kathy (Jim) Corbett, Wendy (Joe) Gould, Sonya (John) Gould, Sherry Works (Greg Penny); grandchildren, Allan (Melissa), Stacey (Rick), Andy (Vicki), Alicia, Savannah, Hannah and Jonas; great grandchildren, Ricky, Paige, Tristan and Jonathan; brothers, Keith (Pearl), Junior (Mary) and Don; many nieces and nephews. Along with his parents, Bud was predeceased by daughter, Tracey in infancy; brother, Lloyd and sisters, Betty and Eileen. Cremation has taken place. A Celebration of Life Service was held January 13th Spring Interment in Robie Street Cemetery, Truro. Family flowers only. Donations in Bud's memory may be made to the Palliative Care or to the VON. The family wish to thank Dr. Michael Murray, VON Home Care Workers and the Palliative Care Team for the amazing care Dad received. Online messages of condolence may be sent to the family by visiting: www.ColchesterCommunity.com

CURRY, (Thompson, Littlejohns), Elizabeth age 95. Born in Chatham NB, Beth was the daughter of Rev. Frank and Helen (Forsyth) Littlejohns of Charlottetown, PEI. She was predeceased by brother, Rev. Donald Littlejohns of Calgary, sister, Nancy Creelman of Ottawa, and husband Harold Curry. Beth is survived by loving children Hugh (Anne Holland) Thompson, Nancy Thompson, Carolyn Littlejohns (Denis Lafontaine) and beloved granddaughters Naomi Heikalo, Nina Thompson and Delphine Holland. She was affectionately "adopted" by three step-sons Michael (Janice Vassallo) Curry, Tim (Colleen) Curry and Jonathan (Janet) Curry and their families (six grandchildren and eleven great-grandchildren). Also in her close family circle are her brother's family Elaine, Bob and Gordon Littlejohns, her sister's family June, David and William Creelman, and many nieces and nephews. At Dal she met Harold (Hal) Thompson, and after their marriage began teaching at the Halifax Ladies College. Upon his ordination in the United Church of Canada, Beth served with him in parishes of Bass River NS, East Saint John NB, Windsor NS, Lachute QC and Montreal QC. After Hal's death, Beth returned to work as a school secretary and was a volunteer in adult literacy in Montreal. She maintained decades-long friendships and made friends of all ages easily. One longstanding friendship blossomed into a loving second marriage with Harold Curry in 1991. Beth and Harold shared a love of literature, humour, wordplay and travel and found great happiness together until Harold's death in 2012. The family thanks the staff of Fergus Hall and Colchester East Hants Health Centre for their care and kindness. The funeral service was held January 17 in Colchester Community Funeral Home, 512 Willow, Truro. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Literacy Nova Scotia, PO Box 1516, Truro NS B2N 3V2 or St. Andrews United Church, 55 King Street, Truro NS B2N 3K8. Online messages of condolence: www.ColchesterCommunity.com

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Bass River United Baptist Church
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Sunday Worship Service 11 a.m.
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Sustainable Smart Farming/Precision Agriculture International Seminar March 15-16, 2018

The Department of Engineering at the Dalhousie Agricultural Campus is hosting an International Smart Farming Seminar on March 15-16. Early registration is advised. The seminar is being hosted by The Precision Agriculture Research Program.

Workshop participants will include individuals from government, high value crop producers, processors, academia, private agricultural machinery companies, engineers and non-governmental organizations who work on or interested in sustainable development and adoption of smart precision agriculture technologies.

This Seminar will take place at an important time as Dalhousie University will celebrate its 200th anniversary and begin a third century of teaching, research and service.

Objectives of the two day seminar include:
 • Learn about the collective experience of smart precision agriculture technologies, in particular what has been successful in

- comparable jurisdictions of North America.
 - Provide a networking/learning opportunity for seminar participants.
 - Address the economic and environmental issues associated with the development and adoption of precision agriculture technologies.
 - Study the potential commercialization opportunities for smart farming technologies.
 - Provide regulatory officials with the most current information on best practices for this emerging sector.
- A link to further details about the two day seminar can be found at: <https://www.dal.ca/faculty/agriculture/extended-learning/SmartFarming.html>

Approximately 25 speakers at Agriculture Seminar

Speakers at the Sustainable Smart Farming/Precision Agriculture International Seminar will include a long list of speakers.

Attendees, while registering online are encouraged to go check out the speakers bios, to determine whose presentation they wish to attend.

The speakers include: Dr. Alice Aiken, Dr. David Gray, Dr.

Ian Yule, Dr. Arnold Schumann, Dr. David Yarborough, Dr. Chris Cutler, Dr. Qamar Zaman, Dr. Aitazaz Farooque, Dr. Travis Esau, Dr. Yves Leclerc, Dr. Ali Madani and Dr. Vijaya Raghavan.

Other well prominent agriculture speakers includes: Dr. Khalil Al-Mughrabi, Dr. Danny Mann, Peter Burgess, Michelle Cortens, Peter Swinkels, Kevin

Dunn, Allan Dale, Doug Wyllie, Joe Slack, Bernard Hache and Joe Brennan.

To learn more about the seminar, check out speaker bios, the complete program and register go to: <https://www.dal.ca/faculty/agriculture/extended-learning/SmartFarming.html>

Sustainable Smart Farming

Also known as Precision Agriculture, sustainable smart farming helps farmers to make production systems more efficient to reduce cost of production. The implementation of practical smart agriculture technologies which will allow corrective cultural practices on an as-needed basis maximize farm profitability, minimize environmental impacts and ultimately led to a more sustainable industry.

With an overall goal to advance the sustainable development and adoption of smart precision agriculture technologies in Atlantic Canada, the focus will be on how to integrate these technologies into current production systems so proper management decisions can be made to improve crop productivity and reduce agrochemical use.

This workshop/seminar will facilitate the opportunity

to create needed research collaborations for the Precision Agriculture Research Program at DAL-AC. Collaborations with industry, academia and government personnel would play a pivotal role in the development of this sector in Atlantic Canada. Precision agriculture has the potential to make a significant difference to the viability of the agricultural sector, provide new economic opportunities, and provide food security to Atlantic Canada.

Precision Agriculture Research Program

The precision agriculture research program at Dalhousie Agricultural Campus, Dal-

housie University (DAL-AC) led by Dr. Qamar Zaman integrates agrochemical, technological and ecological approaches to develop an innovative approach to site-specific crop management for high value crops.

To date the wild blueberry, grape and wine industry, tree crops and potato industry has been heavily involved in this research program. The program has been successful in attracting and retaining HQP at DAL-AC. All HQP work on the scientific principles and applications of variable rate technologies, and have the

opportunity to interact with industry and government at various levels.

The resources and capabilities of this research program have created a unique world-class program that does not exist elsewhere in eastern Canada. Dr. Zaman and his research group wish to develop further research collaborations with academia and industry (regional, national and international) to improve the financial resources available for infrastructure and technical support required to test smart farming technologies.

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Recommendations from December 14, 2017:

- 1. Dissolution of Business and Economic Development Advisory Committee (BEDAC).** Council approves that the Business and Economic Development Advisory Committee be dissolved.
- 2. C&D/Glass Waste Disposal Agreement.** Council approves that the Director of Solid Waste identify a suitable portion of land at the Kemptown Solid Waste Facility for the storage of glass food containers and begin the storage of this material in that designated area until a suitable market is developed.
- 3. Street Light.** Council approves an additional street light be placed on an existing pole on Homestead Drive adjacent to Cambridge Drive.



Recommendations from January 11, 2018

- 1. Subscription to Everbridge Mass Notification Software.** Council approves the immediate subscription of the Everbridge Mass Notification Software.
- 2. Purchase of Replacement Fire Repeaters.** Council approves Nova Communications be awarded the purchase and installation of two new fire repeaters at a cost of \$17,359.03, including rebated tax.
- 3. Cell Phone and Data Use Policy Amendment.** That Council approves the amended Council Cell-phone and Internet Reimbursement Policy, as presented.
- 4. Revised Municipal Active Transportation Strategy.** Council adopts the Revised Active Transportation Strategy, as presented.
- 5. CIBC Credit Renewals.** Council approves the Borrowing Resolutions relative to Credit Renewal and the Fisheries and Oceans Canada Line of Credit, as presented.
- 6. Amended and Restated Operating Agreement, RECC.** Council approves the Amended and Restated Operating Agreement for the Rath Eastlink Community Centre (RECC), as presented; and the Mayor and CAO be authorized to sign the agreement on behalf of Council.

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